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## CV PHILIPP HÄHNEL

### EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Mathematics, Trinity College Dublin, Mar 2014 – Mar 2018

**Doctoral thesis:** *Higher spin scattering amplitudes from twistor theory*

Advisor: Prof. T. McLoughlin

Reviewer: Prof. Ruth Britto, Prof. Lionel Mason

Master of Science in Physics, Humboldt University of Berlin, Apr 2011 – Jun 2014, result 1.6

**Master thesis:** *The one-loop effective action of  $N=4$  SYM-type theories*

Advisor: Dr. C. Sieg

Reviewer: Prof. M. Staudacher, Dr. H. Dorn

Bachelor of Science in Physics, Humboldt University of Berlin, Oct 2007 – Mar 2011, result 2.3

**Bachelor thesis:** *Minimal surfaces in anti-de Sitter spaces*

Advisor: Dr. H. Dorn

Reviewer: Dr. H. Dorn, Prof. J. Plefka

### RESERACH INTERESTS

[AI]: agent architecture, reinforcement learning, deep learning, natural language processing, genetic algorithms

[Physics]: higher spin theories, gauge/gravity duality and holography, AdS/CFT correspondence, quantum gravity, scattering amplitudes, twistor theory, gauge field theory

### PROGRAMMING SKILLS

- **LaTeX** [~13 years]
  - publications, hobby projects, almost everything written
- **Mathematica** [~12 years]
  - Master's thesis: automatised divergence calculations for wide class of theories
  - everything that needs calculation or visualisation (plots and graphs)
- **Matlab / Scilab** [~3 years]
  - Data analysis for university courses, and used while working at the NRL and Fraunhofer Institute (see work experience below)
- **Python** [~1 year]
  - A platform for light-weight multi-player online games: [github.com/arenarium](https://github.com/arenarium)
  - TensorFlow
- **C** [1 month]
  - Scripted bot for rogue-like game Sil: [github.com/phylyc/genesis-sil](https://github.com/phylyc/genesis-sil)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- Research Scientist Intern** at I.B.M., Dublin: (2018)  
*Data analysis; using Deep Learning for pollution modelling using TensorFlow*
- Teaching assistant** at the School of Mathematics, Trinity College Dublin: (2014 – 2017)  
*Differential Geometry, General Relativity, Quantum Mechanics, Advanced Calculus, Classical Field Theory & Classical Electrodynamics*
- Teaching assistant** at the Department of Physics, HU Berlin: (2011 – 2013)  
*Quantum Field Theory I & II, Linear Algebra and Analytical Geometry I & II*
- Organization of seminars for secondary school students** at the TU Berlin: (2006 – 2012)  
*Introduction to General Relativity, Physics of the Sun, The EPR-Paradox, Anomalies in the Solar System, Gravitational Lenses, Physics of Stars, Recent Cosmology, Introduction to Quantum Physics, Black Holes*
- Student assistant** at the Neurorobotics Research Laboratory, HU Berlin (2010 – 2011)  
*Software engineering: 2D physics simulator for exploration of autonomous robot designs*
- Student Internship** at the Fraunhofer Inst. for Open Comm. Systems, Berlin (2007)  
*Data analysis: classifying neural signal data using k-fold cross-validation*
- Student Internship** at the German Aerospace Center (DLR), Berlin (2005)  
*Image analysis: calculating atmospheric height of dust clouds on Mars*

## PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **P. Hähnel** and T. McLoughlin, *On jet bundles and star products*, (in preparation)
- [2] **P. Hähnel**, *All three-point amplitudes of conformal higher spin theories*, (in preparation)
- [3] T. Adamo, **P. Hähnel** and T. McLoughlin, *Local twistor connection of conformal higher spin curvature tensors*, (in preparation)
- [4] T. Adamo, **P. Hähnel** and T. McLoughlin, *Conformal higher spin scattering amplitudes from twistor space*, arXiv:1611.06200 [hep-th], JHEP 1704: 021, 2017
- [5] **P. Hähnel** and T. McLoughlin, *Conformal higher spin theory and twistor space actions*, arXiv:1604.08209 [hep-th], J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. **50** 485401
- [6] W. Hasse, E. Birsin and **P. Hähnel**, *On force-field models of the spacecraft flyby anomaly*, arXiv:0903.0109 [gr-qc].

## INVITED TALKS AND POSTERS

- Over 10 invited talks and posters on my publications, mainly [4] and [5], since 2014
- Participation in over 30 conferences, workshops and summer schools related to my research interests in theoretical physics since 2011

## HONORS

- Sep 2015 ‘String Theory Universe’ travel grant for a short-term scientific mission, visiting Prof. L. Mason at the Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford
- 2007–2010 Scholarship of the German National Academic Foundation
- 2007 School’s best graduation in physics
- 2007 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Germany-wide, and additional 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Berlin-wide competition of the 42<sup>th</sup> competition ‘Jugend forscht’ (‘youth researches’)

## EARLY SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITIES

- 2006–2012 Member of work group *Astrometrie* at Wilhelm Foerster Observatory, Berlin
- 2003–2005 Member of the mathematical pupil association *Leonard Euler* at HU Berlin

## LANGUAGES

German: native  
English: fluent  
French: basic

## OTHER INTERESTS

Swing & Blues dancing (performances & teaching)  
Creative Writing  
Piano  
Whisky