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Professional

P. J. E. Peebles Senior Postdoctoral Fellow October 2023 –
Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics
Horizon Fellow in Cosmology and Gravitation February 2021 – 2023
Johns Hopkins University
Postdoctoral Fellow* October 2020 – 2021
Imperial College London

*A post-doctorate position until my delayed start at Johns Hopkins due to COVID19 travel restrictions.

Education

Imperial College London 2016-2020
PhD in Physics, Thesis Advisor: Andrew Jaffe
Thesis Subject: Modern Cosmology in the post-Planck era.
Imperial College London 2014-2016
MSc in Physics (Distinction), Thesis Advisor: Andrew Jaffe and Carlo Contaldi
Thesis Subject: Effects of quenched disorder in the early Universe.
Bosphorus University 2009-2014
BSc in Physics (First Class), Advisor: Erkan Ozcan (CERN)

Positions Held

Co-lead-editor: ‘Review of the new discoveries in the era of low noise high resolution CMB experiments’ June 2022 –
Co-leading an ambitious review project—to be published at the Elsevier, Physics Reports—with over 25 contributing authors.
Visitor, Aspen Centre of Physics August 2023-September 2023
Aspen, CO 81611, United States
Organizer: Johns Hopkins University theory group seminars
Co-organizer: Space Telescope Institute Colloquium May 2022 – October 2023
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD 21218, USA
Representative: EDI Committee February 2021 – October 2023
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD 21218, USA
Visitor, Aspen Centre of Physics August 2021-September 2021
Aspen, CO 81611, United States
Graduate Fellow, Perimeter October 2019-February 2020
Waterloo, ON N2L 2Y5, Canada
Visiting JRF, Johns Hopkins University (JHU) February 2019
Baltimore, MD 21218, USA
Visitor, Center for Computational Astrophysics (CCA) Summer 2018
Flatiron Institute, 162-5th Ave, New York, NY 10010
Visitor, Canadian Institute of Theoretical Astrophysics (CITA) 2017 and 2018
Research assistant in cosmology, Imperial College London Summer 2015
Blackett Building, Imperial College London, London, UK, SW7 2BX

Summer research assistant, DESY Summer 2013
Notkestraße 85, 22607 Hamburg, Germany

Group member and research assistant, Cavendish Laboratory Summer 2012
Atomic, Mesoscopic and Optical Physics Group (AMOP), Rutherford Building,
JJ Thomson Ave, Cambridge CB3 0HE, United Kingdom

Notable Awards and Grants

P. J. E. Peebles Senior Postdoctoral Fellowship 2023 –

Johns Hopkins Horizon Fellowship 2020 – 2023

Aspen Center of Physics 2021 (and 2023)
stipend for travel and *coverage*

Balzan Foundations Fellowship 2019
stipend from New-College-Oxford/Johns-Hopkins Centre for Cosmological Studies

Imperial College President's Scholarship 2016-2020
Prize Scholarship.

Memberships

CMB-S4 member 2021 –

Active independent member.

Simons Observatory member 2018 –

Active member.

Co-advising

Nanoom Lee (PhD candidate NYU) nanoom.lee@nyu.edu 2022 –

Neha Anil Kumar (PhD candidate, JHU) nanilku1@jhu.edu 2022 –

Mesut Caliskan (PhD candidate, JHU) caliskan@jhu.edu 2022 –

Avery Tishue (PhD, Dartmouth) avery.tishue.gr@dartmouth.edu 2022 –

Jaxon North (Undergraduate student, JHU) 2022

Talks and Seminars

4 Conferences 2022-2023

Kyoto, Flatiron Institute, UCSD, Montreal.

Invited Talk and Interview, Boston University February 2023

Shortlisted candidate talk for tenure-track assistant professorship in cosmology.

12 Invited Talks 2019-2023

Kavli Institute for Particle Astrophysics and Cosmology (KIPAC) at Stanford, Max Planck Institute, Munich, Germany, Cornell University, University of Maryland College Park. Perimeter. University of Southern California. Columbia University, UC Berkeley. University of Sussex.

13 seminars given in Europe, USA and Canada February-September 2019

Talk, NanoGrav meeting April 2019

Talk, CMB in high definition workshop, CCA, Flatiron Institute, NYC. December 2018

Co-organizer, Imperial College London weekly cosmology seminars. 2016-2019

8 seminars given in Canada and United Kingdom 2017-2019

C/C++, Python, Fortran, Mathematica, Julia Advanced

Public codes: ReCCO, class_delens, FisherLens

Refereed Journals: PRL, PRD, JCAP, APJ, OJA

References*

Prof. Gilbert P. Holder gholder@illinois.edu

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Prof. Matthew Johnson mjohnson@perimeterinstitute.ca

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Prof. Joel Meyers joelmeyers@utexas.edu

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Publications

As of December 2023, I have authored over 35 research papers that contributed to the science case of the upcoming CMB and LSS surveys in novel ways. Limiting to my papers with less than 10 authors; I have collaborated with over 40 academics, while with over 13 (7), I have produced two (three) or more papers. My h-index as of December 2023 is 17.

I co-developed two public forecasting codes for improved calculation of CMB spectra [13] a public software that generates cosmological simulations and utilises quadratic estimators for reconstructing cosmological fields from small-scale LSS-CMB cross-correlation [14], and a public software framework for exploring connections between cosmology and particle physics [26]. The first three of these codes are now becoming parts of the analysis pipelines of upcoming CMB experiments.

My research so far contributed to the demonstration of the detectability and scientific value of a multitude of CMB signals including the weak gravitational lensing [1,5,16], kinetic and polarised Sunyaev Zel'dovich effects [8-14,17,21,24] and the moving-lens effect [6,19,23,26], providing robust tools and formalism to analyse CMB-LSS cross-correlations and open new windows of observation into unexplored epochs of structure formation such as the epoch of helium reionization, which has significant implications of early galaxy formation, quasar astrophysics and cosmology [2,8,9].

*: Supervised graduate student (below). **: Supervised undergraduate student (below).

Leading or major contribution:

- [1] C. Trendafilova, **S. C. Hotinli** and J. Meyers, “Improving Constraints on Inflation with CMB Delensing,” [arXiv:2312.02954 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [2] M. Çalışkan*, N. Anil Kumar*, **S. C. Hotinli** and M. Kamionkowski, “Reconstructing patchy helium reionization using the cosmic microwave background and large-scale structure,” [arXiv:2312.00118 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [3] E. Vanzan*, M. Kamionkowski and **S. C. Hotinli**, “Phenomenology of a vector-field-induced (and possibly parity breaking) compensated isocurvature perturbation,” [arXiv:2311.18121 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [4] N. Lee* and **S. C. Hotinli**, “Probing light relics through cosmic dawn,” [arXiv:2309.15119 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [5] **S. C. Hotinli**, N. Sabti, J. North** and M. Kamionkowski, Phys. Rev. D **108**, no.10, 103504 (2023) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.108.103504 [arXiv:2306.15715 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [6] **S. C. Hotinli**, E. Pierpaoli, S. Ferraro and K. Smith, “Transverse velocities and matter gradient correlations: A new signal and a new challenge to moving-lens analyses,” Phys. Rev. D **108**, no.8, 083508 (2023) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.108.083508 [arXiv:2305.15462 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [7] **S. C. Hotinli** and K. Ahn, “Probing the global 21-cm background by velocity-induced dipole and quadrupole anisotropies,” [arXiv:2305.01672 [astro-ph.CO]].
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- [9] S. Foreman, S. C. Hotinli, M. S. Madhavacheril, A. van Engelen and C. D. Kreisch, Phys. Rev. D **107**, no.8, 083502 (2023) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.107.083502 [arXiv:2209.03973 [astro-ph.CO]].

- [10] N. A. Kumar*, **S. C. Hotinli** and M. Kamionkowski, “Uncorrelated Compensated Isocurvature Perturbations from kSZ Tomography,” [arXiv:2208.02829 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at PRD)
- [11] **S. C. Hotinli**, S. Ferraro, G. P. Holder, M. C. Johnson, M. Kamionkowski and P. La Plante, “*Probing helium reionization with kinetic Sunyaev Zel’dovich tomography*,” [arXiv:2207.07660 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at PRL)
- [12] N. Lee*, **S. C. Hotinli** and M. Kamionkowski, “*Probing Cosmic Birefringence with Polarized Sunyaev Zel’dovich Tomography*,” [arXiv:2207.05687 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at PRD)
- [13] N. Anil Kumar*, G. Sato-Polito, M. Kamionkowski and **S. C. Hotinli**, “*Primordial trispectrum from kSZ tomography*,” [arXiv:2205.03423 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at PRD)
- [14] **S. C. Hotinli**, G. P. Holder, M. C. Johnson and M. Kamionkowski, “*Cosmology from the kinetic polarized Sunyaev Zel’dovich effect*,” [arXiv:2204.12503 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at JCAP)
- [15] **S. C. Hotinli**, D. J. E. Marsh and M. Kamionkowski, Phys. Rev. D **106**, no.4, 043529 (2022) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.106.043529 [arXiv:2112.06943 [astro-ph.CO]].
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- [17] J. Cayuso*, R. Bloch*, **S. C. Hotinli**, M. C. Johnson and F. McCarthy, “*Velocity reconstruction with the cosmic microwave background and galaxy surveys*,” [arXiv:2111.11526 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [18] L. Ji*, **S. C. Hotinli** and M. Kamionkowski, “*Cross-correlation of the Polarizations of the 21-cm and Cosmic Microwave Backgrounds*,” [arXiv:2110.01619 [astro-ph.CO]]. (to be published at PRD)
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- [21] **S. C. Hotinli** and M. C. Johnson, Phys. Rev. D **105**, no.6, 063522 (2022) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.105.063522 [arXiv:2012.09851 [astro-ph.CO]].
- [22] **S. C. Hotinli**, “*New directions in cosmology and astrophysics*,” doi:10.25560/85382
- [23] **S. C. Hotinli**, M. C. Johnson and J. Meyers, “*Optimal filters for the moving lens effect*,” Phys. Rev. D **103**, no.4, 043536 (2021) doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.103.043536 [arXiv:2006.03060 [astro-ph.CO]].
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Significant contribution:

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- [29] J. J. Renk *et al.* [GAMBIT Cosmology Workgroup], “*CosmoBit: A GAMBIT module for computing cosmological observables and likelihoods*,” JCAP **02**, 022 (2021) doi:10.1088/1475-7516/2021/02/022 [arXiv:2009.03286 [astro-ph.CO]].

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Contribution: Edited part of Section 2.1.3 titled ‘*Cosmic velocity fields with the kSZ and moving lens effects*’. Provided the analysis that produced Figure 4, and produced Figure 4.

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