Colloquium

University of Birmingham

2022-Herchel Smith Research FellowUniversity of Cambridge2021-22Research FellowMonash University2016-18Summer Intern '16 & '17, Software Engineer/Consultant '18Altran Intelligent Systems

#### **EDUCATION**

Nov. 2018-21 Ph.D.: Eccentricity in Gravitational-Wave Transients.
Supervisors: Assoc. Prof. Paul Lasky & Prof. Eric Thrane
B.A. and M.Sci. Physics with Honours, Class I,
Supervisor: Prof. Andreas Freise
2013-14 Engineering & Physical Sciences Foundation Year

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#### INVITED TALKS

2024 Queen Mary University of London IPAX Conference, Panel University of Birmingham Seminar University of Cambridge Kavli Institute for Cosmology Seminar University of Milano-Bicocca Black Hole Populations Conference, Panel University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Seminar Madrid Instituto de Física Teórica COSMO'23, Plenary 2023 Cardiff University Gravity Exploration Centre Seminar Albert Einstein Institute, Max Planck Institute, Potsdam Seminar Northwestern University CIERA Seminar Queen Mary University of London Seminar National Observatory (Brazil) Webinar 2.022 Melbourne GWPAW 2022 Conference Talk & Panel (Data Intensive Science, Cosmology, KICC Frontiers) Seminars University of Cambridge University of Amsterdam Anton Pannekoek Institute Colloquium Niels Bohr Institute Conference on Dynamical Binary Black Hole Formation 2021 CSIRO Australia Telescope National Facility Seminar OzGrav Centre of Excellence for Gravitational-Wave Discovery Seminar Massachusetts Institute of Technology Seminar California Institute of Technology TAPIR Seminar Royal Astronomical Society Poster Prize Acceptance & Explainer University of Queensland Seminar OzGrav Centre of Excellence for Gravitational-Wave Discovery 2020 Seminar University of Santiago de Compostela Colloquium

# PRIZES, AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Monash University School of Physics and Astronomy

2023 Honourable Mention: Charlene Heisler Prize Astronomical Society of Australia Rising Star Award OzGrav Centre of Excellence for Gravitational Wave Discovery Honourable Mention: GWIC-Braccini Prize Gravitational Wave International Committee 2022 Monash University, School of Physics & Astronomy Robert Street Prize For "the best PhD thesis awarded through the School of Physics and Astronomy" Norris Family Award Monash University, Faculty of Science. 2021 For "outstanding author contribution by a graduate student to published scholarly research output" STEMM Leadership Initiative Homeward Bound Membership 2020 OzGrav Centre of Excellence for Gravitational Wave Discovery Outreach Award **ECR Poster Prize** Royal Astronomical Society OzGrav Centre of Excellence for Gravitational Wave Discovery 2019 Student Poster Award Student Talk Award Astronomical Society of Australia J.L. William International Scholarship Monash University, School of Physics and Astronomy 2018 Dean's International Postgraduate Scholarship Monash University, Faculty of Science International Postgraduate Research Scholarship Monash University University of Birmingham Nolan Merril Prize

For "the highest-scoring M.Sci. project in the School of Physics & Astronomy"

M.Sci. Poster Prize, School of Physics & Astronomy

# SUPERVISION & TEACHING

## > Supervision:

- Salman Khan (Cambridge). Data Intensive Science MPhil project: Reproducing Third Gravitational Wave Transient Catalogue Population Inference

Bath Royal Literary & Scientific Institu-

Astronomical Society of Victoria (Aus-

Denver Astronomical Society (US; vir-

Mount Burnett Observatory (Australia)

OzGrav Public Lecture Series (Australia)

Mount Burnett Observatory (Australia)

Astronomy on Tap Chicago (US)

U3A Deepdene (Australia; virtual)

- Daniel Gibson (Cambridge). Part III Mathematics MPhil project: *Understanding Neutron Stars with Future Gravitational-Wave Detector Networks*
- Joshua Sharkey (Cambridge). Summer student project: Wrong Model, Right Answer: Recovering traces of dynamical binary black hole formation from gravitational-wave data
- Samir Goorachurn (McGill). Summer student project: *Eccentricities of Binary Black Holes with Circumbinary Disks*
- Ajinkya Naik (Pune). Summer student project: Spins of Binary Black Holes from High Mass X-Ray Binaries
- Teagan Clarke (Monash). Honours (Masters) project: *Gravitational Waves from Eccentric Binary Black Holes*
- ▷ Problem Class Leading (Cambridge): Statistical Uncertainty Quantification
- ▷ Teaching Assistance / Lab / Workshop Leading (Monash):
   Introductory Astronomy, Introduction to Astrophysics, Computational Astrophysics & the Extreme Universe

### ACADEMIC SERVICE

2019-	Referee A	Nature Astronomy, PRD, MNR	AS, ApJ, ApJ Letters
2018-	Internal paper reviews, paper writing,	, eccentricity advisory team	LVK Collaboration
2023	Gravitational Waves Session Co-conve	ener National Ast	ronomy Meeting (UK)
2023	LOC, Conferences: Rubin/LSST, Astro	ostats/ML Kavl	i Institute Cambridge
2022-2023	Organiser: GR Seminar, GR Journal (	Club, Theory Colloquia Uni	versity of Cambridge
2020-22	Steering Committee Austral	lian National Institute for The	oretical Astrophysics
2019	Women in Physics & Astronomy Stude	ent Co-Chair	Monash University
2018	Board of Misconduct Student Rep.	Unive	ersity of Birmingham
2013-18	Student Rep.	Unive	ersity of Birmingham

**Public Talks** 2024 Bath

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GWTC-3 Webinar

### OUTREACH

## **Publications & Articles**

2021	Women in Physics,	Colouring book; co-
	author, editor, and illustrator	

2020 Planetymology: Why Uranus is not called George and other facts about space and words, Children's non-fiction book; author, editor, and illustrator

- The CO2 Elephant in the Room: Curbing the Carbon Footprint of Astronomy, Astrobites article

## Media Interviews

-		Kid's Talks & Outreach Visits	
PODCASTS	The Science Pawdcast	2024	City Academy Bristol with We The Curi-
-	Astrophiz		ous (UK)
-	Storytellers of STEMM	2022	Casey Tech School with OzGrav (Aus-
-	Listening to the Cosmos (LIGO India)		tralia)
Radio	Einstein A Go-Go, Triple R	_	Haileybury Middle School for Women's
-	The Space Show, Southern FM		Day (Australia)
ARTICLES	Space Australia	2021	Girlguiding (UK; virtual talk)
-	Monash University Science		Cambridge Festival (UK; virtual talk)
		-	Cambridge restivat (OIX, virtual talk)

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ISOBEL ROMERO-SHAW ISOBELMARGUARETHE.GITHUB.IO/WEBSITE RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS: SHORT-AUTHOR CITATIONS Eccentric Signatures of Stellar-Mass Binary Black Holes with Circumbinary Disks in LISA IRS, S. Goorachurn, M. Siwek, C. J. Moore. Submitted to MNRAS Letters, A Star Cluster Population of High Mass Black Hole Mergers in Gravitational Wave Data -F. Antonini, IRS, T. Callister. Submitted to PRL, June 2024 Gravitational-wave data analysis with high-precision numerical relativity simulations of boson [22] star mergers — T. Evstafyeva, U. Sperhake, IRS, M. Agathos. Submitted to PRL, June 2024 Residual eccentricity as a systematic uncertainty on the formation channels of binary black holes [21]— G. Fumagalli, **IRS**, D. Gerosa, V. De Renzis, K. Kritos, A. Olejak. Submitted to ApJ, May 2024 Detecting gravitational-wave bursts from black hole binaries in the Galactic Center with LISA — [20] A. Knee, J. McIver, S. Naoz, IRS, B-M. Hoang. Submitted to ApJL, April 2024 Blind Spots and Biases: The dangers of ignoring eccentricity in gravitational-wave signals from 10 [19] binary black holes — Divyajyoti, S. Kumar, S. Tibrewal, IRS, C. Mishra. Published in PRD, February 2024 [18] Double black hole mergers in nuclear star clusters: eccentricities, spins, masses, and the growth 15 of massive seeds — D. Chattopadhyay, J. Stegmann, F. Antonini, J. Barber, **IRS**. Published in MNRAS, December 2023 7 Inferring Interference: Identifying a Perturbing Tertiary with Eccentric Gravitational Wave Burst Timing — IRS, N. Loutrel, M. Zevin. Published in PRD, June 2023 6 Rapid population synthesis of black-hole high-mass X-ray binaries: implications for binary stellar [16] evolution — IRS, R. Hirai, A. Bahramian, R. Willcox, I. Mandel. Published in MNRAS, September Eccentricity or spin precession? Distinguishing subdominant effects in gravitational-wave data 34 [15] — IRS, D. Gerosa, N. Loutrel. Published in MNRAS, January 2023 Four eccentric mergers increase the evidence that LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA's binary black holes form 53 dynamically — IRS, P. D. Lasky, E. Thrane. Published in ApJ, December 2022 General-relativistic precession in a black-hole binary — M. Hannam et al. (incl. IRS). Published 70 [13] in Nature, October 2022 A Rosetta Stone for Eccentric Gravitational Waveform Models -A. Knee, IRS, P. D. Lasky, J. 23 [12] McIver, E. Thrane. Published in ApJ, September 2022 Subtracting glitches from gravitational-wave detector data during the third observing run -D. 40 Davis, T. B. Littenberg, IRS, M. Millhouse, J. McIver, F. Di Renzo, G. Ashton. Published in Class. Quant. Grav., December 2022 Gravitational-wave inference for eccentric binaries: the argument of periapsis — T. A. Clarke, 13 IRS, P. D. Lasky, E. Thrane. Published in MNRAS, December 2022 When models fail: an introduction to posterior predictive checks and model misspecification in 17 [9] gravitational-wave astronomy — IRS, P. D. Lasky, E. Thrane. Published in PASA, June 2022 Signs of Eccentricity in Two Gravitational-Wave Signals may Indicate a Sub-Population of Dynam-[8] 59 ically Assembled Binary Black Holes — IRS, P. D. Lasky, E. Thrane. Published in ApJ Letters, November 2021 [7] Implications of Eccentric Observations on Binary Black Hole Formation Channels — M. Zevin, 62 IRS, K. Kremer, E. Thrane, P. D. Lasky. Published in ApJ Letters, November 2021 [6] Gravitational Waves as a Probe of Globular Cluster Formation and Evolution — IRS, K. Kremer, 17 P. D. Lasky, E. Thrane, J. Samsing. Published in MNRAS, July 2021 An Interactive Gravitational-Wave Detector Model for Museums and Fairs — S. Cooper et al. 2 [5] (incl. IRS). Published in Am. J. Phys., July 2021 [4] GW190521: Orbital Eccentricity and Signatures of Dynamical Formation in a Binary Black Hole 206 Merger Signal — IRS, P. Lasky, E. Thrane, J. Calderón Bustillo. Published in ApJ Letters, October 2020 [3] Bayesian Inference for Compact Binary Coalescences with BILBY: Validation and Application to 305 the First LIGO-Virgo Gravitational-Wave Transient Catalogue — IRS, C. Talbot, S. Biscoveanu, V. D'Emilio, G. Ashton et al. Published in MNRAS, September 2020 [2] On the origin of GW190425 — IRS, N. Farrow, S. Stevenson, X-J. Zhu, E. Thrane. Published in 58 MNRAS Letters, May 2020

Searching for Eccentricity: Signatures of Dynamical Formation in the First Gravitational-Wave

Transient Catalogue of LIGO and Virgo — IRS, P. Lasky, E. Thrane. Published in MNRAS,

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October 2019

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS: LARGE COLLABORATION

CITATIONS

I list here publications to which I have actively contributed.

To see all papers upon which I am listed as an author, please visit my ADS bibliography.

- [7] Observation of Gravitational Waves from the Coalescence of a 2.5 4.5 Msun Compact Object and a Neutron Star *The LVK Collaboration (incl. IRS*). Submitted to ApJ, April 2024. Contribution: Internal review of parameter estimation results and presentation.
- [6] Population of Merging Compact Binaries Inferred using Gravitational Waves through GWTC-3 748 *The LVK Collaboration (incl. IRS*). Published in *PRX*, March 2023. Contribution: Internal review of population spin analysis.
- [5] GWTC-3: Compact Binary Coalescences Observed by LIGO and Virgo During the Second Part of the Third Observing Run *The LVK Collaboration (incl. IRS)*. Published in *PRX*, December 2023. Contribution: Member of the paper-writing team. Event analysis, writing, result presentation.
- [4] Population Properties of Compact Objects from the Second LIGO-Virgo Gravitational-Wave Transient Catalog *The LVK Collaboration (incl. IRS*). Published in *ApJ Letters*, May 2021. Contribution: Internal review of population spin analysis.
- [3] GWTC-2: Compact Binary Coalescences Observed by LIGO and Virgo During the First Half of the Third Observing Run *The LVK Collaboration (incl. IRS)*. Published in *PRX*, April 2021. Contribution: Analysis of strain data surrounding one event trigger.
- [2] Neutron Star Extreme Matter Observatory: A Kilohertz-Band Gravitational-Wave Detector in the Global Network OzGrav: K. Ackley et al. (incl. **IRS**). Published in PASA, November 2020. Contribution: Research into efficacy of GW detector network including Australian instrument for observing binary neutron stars.
- [1] A cryogenic silicon interferometer for gravitational-wave detection R. X. Adhikari et al. (incl. 138 **IRS**). Published in *CQG*, August 2020. Contribution: Created one of the numerical models used to simulate noise at gravitational-wave interferometers.