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Education

Ph.D. Physics (in progress)

Stanford University

Stanford, California, USA

Sept. 2013 - present

Supervisor: Prof. Patrick Hayden

Research area: Quantum information science (quantum information in spacetime)

M.Sc. Physics

Stanford University

Stanford, California, USA

Sept. 2013 - Sept. 2016

Supervisor: Prof. Patrick Hayden

M.Sc. Thesis: Universal quantum computation by scattering in the Fermi-Hubbard model

M.Sc. Physics

McGill University

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Sept. 2011 - Dec. 2013

Co-supervisors: Prof. Robert Brandenberger & Prof. Patrick Hayden

M.Sc. Thesis: Power spectrum of CMB polarization due to cosmic string wakes

B.Sc. (Hons) Co-operative

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

Sept. 2005 - Apr. 2010

Major: Mathematical Physics Minor: Pure Mathematics Specialization: Astrophysics

Thesis: Entanglement degradation from acceleration. Supervisors: Robert Mann & Nicolas Menicucci

Research Awards and Funding

Level	Description	Place of Tenure	Competition	Value	Dates Held
Graduate	NSERC Post Graduate Scholarship	Stanford University	National	\$63000	09/2013 - 08/2016
Graduate	McGill Research Assistantship	McGill University	Institutional	\$8700	09/2012 - 08/2013
Graduate	NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship	McGill University	National	\$17500	09/2011 - 08/2012
Graduate	McGill Research Assistantship	McGill University	Institutional	\$6500	09/2011 - 08/2012
Undergrad	Summer Undergraduate Research Internship	Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics	International	\$9000	05/2009 - 09/2009
Undergrad	NSERC Undergrad Student Research Award	University of Waterloo	National	\$8000	09/2008 - 12/2008
Undergrad	NSERC Undergrad Student Research Award	University of Waterloo	National	\$8000	05/2006 - 09/2006

Fellowships and Other Awards

				Dates Awarded
Graduate Chalk-Rowles Fellowship	McGill University	Academic	\$8000	09/2012
Graduate Lorne Trottier Science Accelerator	McGill University	Academic	\$2125	09/2011
Graduate Graduate Excellence Fellowship	McGill University	Academic	\$1000	09/2011
Graduate Graduate Travel Award	McGill University	Academic	\$1000	01/2012
Undergraduate Dean's Honours	University of Waterloo	Academic	N/A	All terms
Undergraduate Helen Sawyer Hogg Scholarship in Astronomy	y University of Waterloo	Academic	\$500	01/2010
Undergraduate I. R. Dagg Memorial Scholarship	University of Waterloo	Leadership	\$1000	09/2009
Undergraduate University of Waterloo President's Scholarshi	p University of Waterloo	Academic	\$2000	09/2005

Publications

- Hayden, P., Nezami, S., Popescu, S., Salton, G., Error Correction of Quantum Reference Frame Information (arXiv:1709.04471)
- Cotler, J., Hayden, P., Salton, G., Swingle, B., Walter, M., Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction via Universal Recovery Channels (arXiv:1704.05839)
- Salton, G., Swingle, B., Walter, M., Entanglement from Topology in Chern-Simons Theory (arXiv:1611.01516), Phys. Rev. D 95 (2017) 10, 105007
- Hayden, P., Nezami, S., Salton, G., Sanders, B., Spacetime replication of continuous variable quantum information (arXiv:1601.02544), New J. Phys. 18 (2016) 8, 083043
- Bao, N., Hayden, P., Salton, G., Thomas, N., Universal quantum computation by scattering in the Fermi-Hubbard model (arXiv:1409.3585), New J. Phys. 17 (2015) 9, 093028 (master's thesis topic)
- Salton, G., Mann, R. B., Menicucci, N. C., Acceleration-assisted entanglement harvesting and rangefinding (arXiv:1408.1395), New J. Phys. 17 (2015) 3, 035001 (bachelor's thesis topic)
- Brandenberger, R., Park, N., Salton, G., Angular power spectrum of B-mode polarization from cosmic string wakes (arXiv:1308.5693), 2013, Accepted to Phys. Rev. D (master's thesis topic)

Talks

- (Invited) Approximate Operator Algebra Quantum Error Correction and Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction, Perimeter Institute Seminar, Waterloo, Ontario, Nov. 2017
- (Invited) Replicating Quantum Information in Spacetime using Continuous Variables, CIFAR Quantum Information Science Program Meeting, Niagara Falls, Oct. 2017
- Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction via Universal Recovery Channels (poster), qinfo17, KITP, Santa Barbara, Oct. 2017
- Entanglement from Topology in Chern-Simons Theory (poster), qinfo17, KITP, Santa Barbara, Oct. 2017
- Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction via Universal Recovery Channels (poster), QEC17, Univ. of Maryland, Sept. 2017
- (Invited) Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction from a Quantum Bayes' Rule, Stanford Quantum Information / Quantum Gravity Seminar, Stanford University, June 2017
- (Invited) Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction from a Quantum Bayes' Rule, Caltech High Energy Theory Seminar, California Institute of Technology, May 2017
- (Invited Public Lecture) Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, Co-sponsored by the IEEE Information Theory and Photonics Societies, Stanford University, Stanford, California, April 2017
- (Invited) Entanglement Wedge Reconstruction from a Quantum Bayes' Rule, High Energy Theory Seminar, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, March 2017
- Entanglement from Topology in Chern-Simons Theory (poster), SQuInT 2017, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Feb. 2017
- Entanglement from Topology in Chern-Simons Theory (poster), QIP2017, Seattle, Washington, Jan. 2017
- Characterizing States in Chern-Simons Theory, It from Qubit Workshop, Perimeter Institute, Waterloo, Ontario July 2016
- Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, Relativistic Quantum Information North 2016, Waterloo, Ontario, June 2016
- Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, SQuInT 2016, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Feb. 2016
- Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information (poster), Quantum Information Processing 2016, Banff, Alberta, Jan. 2016
- Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, Quantum Information in Quantum Gravity, Perimeter Institute, Ontario Aug. 2015

- (Invited) Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, Institute for Quantum Science and Technology Seminar, University of Calgary, Aug. 2015
- Algebraic Quantum Error Correction: a Unified Theory (poster), SQuInT 2015, Berkeley, California, February 2015
- Universal Quantum Computation by Scattering in the Fermi-Hubbard Model (poster), Quantum Information Processing 2015, Sydney, Australia, Jan. 2015
- Spacetime Replication of Continuous Variable Quantum Information, Quantum Error Correction 2014, ETH Zurich, Switzerland, Dec. 2014
- Acceleration-Assisted Entanglement Harvesting, CONFETI 2013, Quebec, Canada, Jan. 2013 (won award for best talk)
- Cosmic String Signals in CMB Polarization, Workshop: Searching for Cosmic Strings in New Observational Windows, McGill University, Oct. 2012
- Measuring Distance by Harvesting Entanglement, Quantum Information Seminar, McGill University, Oct. 2012
- Black Holes, Information, Complementarity, and Firewalls, Graduate Student Seminar, McGill University, Oct. 2012
- Measuring Distance with Acceleration-assisted Entanglement Harvesting, Relativistic Quantum Information, Perimeter Institute, June 2012 (available online: http://pirsa.org/12060059)
- Measuring Distance by Harvesting Entanglement, 2nd AQuA Student Congress & 9th Canadian Student Conference on Quantum Information, Institute for Quantum Computing, June 2012
- Betting on Quantum Theory, 2009, http://pirsa.org/09090026, Perimeter Institute quantum foundations seminar series
- Entanglement Degradation from Acceleration, 2010, University of Waterloo, thesis seminar
- Entanglement Degradation from Acceleration, (poster) 2010, University of Waterloo, thesis poster session

Summer Schools

- It from Qubit Summer School, July 18-29, 2016. Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics. Waterloo, Ontario
- Princeton Summer School on Condensed Matter Physics, July 28-31, 2014. Princeton University
- Quantum Hamiltonian Complexity Boot Camp, Jan 15-18, 2014. Simons Inst. for the Theory of Computing, Berkeley, CA
- 13th Canadian Summer School on Quantum Info., June 17-21, 2013. University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta
- 12th Canadian Summer School on Quantum Info., June 11-16, 2012. Institute for Quantum Computing, Waterloo, Ontario
- Summer School on Cosmology, July 15-Aug. 3, 2012. International Centre for Theoretical Physics, Trieste, Italy

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

April 2014 - present

- TA for PHYS 43 (Electricity and Magnetism), Spring 2017
- TA for PHYS 134/234 (Advanced Topics in Quantum Mechanics), Autumn 2015
- TA for PHYS 134/234 (Advanced Topics in Quantum Mechanics), Autumn 2014
- TA for PHYS 20 (Modern Physics), Spring 2014

Physics Teaching Mentor

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

April 2015 - present

- Facilitate interactions between physics TAs and the department of physics
- Mediate conflicts and provide support for TAs
- Run evaluation session with students to provide feedback for first-time TAs

Teaching Assistant

McGill University, Montreal, Quebec

Sept. 2011 - Aug. 2013

- Taught introductory lessons for physics labs
- Volunteered to proctor exams and labs

Private Tutor

Waterloo, Ontario May 2010 - July 2013

• Tutored math and physics privately at high school and university levels

Teaching Assistant (First Year Physics)

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

Sept. 2009 - Dec. 2009

• Ran a help center for a first year physics course and taught tutorials

Previous Positions

Graduate Research Student

Project: Quantum Information in Cosmology

McGill University, Montreal, Quebec

Sept 2011 - Aug. 2013

- Studied various topics relating to both quantum information and cosmology
- Thesis focused on CMB polarization due to cosmic string wakes

Research Student Project: Relativistic Quantum Information

Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, Waterloo, Ontario

Sept 2010 - May 2011

• Studied the effects of non-inertial motion on entanglement harvested from quantum fields

Summer Research Intern

Project: Quantum Gambling

Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, Waterloo, Ontario

May 2009 - Sept. 2009

• Developed a preliminary theory of quantum gambling

Astrophysics Research Student

Project: Extremely Isolated Galaxies in the SDSS

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

Sept. 2008 - Feb. 2009

• Studied the formation and evolution of extremely isolated galaxies after defining criteria for isolution

Space Plasma Physics Researcher

Project: Magnetospheric Kelvin-Helmholtz Instabilities

Canadian Space Agency, St. Hubert, Quebec

Sept. 2007 - May 2008

• Studied space plasma physics phenomena and developed research simulations

Research Assistant

Project: Chirped-Pulse Interferometry

Institute for Quantum Computing, Waterloo, Ontario

May 2007 - Sept. 2007

• Conducted numerical study of chirped-pulse interferometry technique

Researcher/Experimenter

Project: Thermal Expansion of Accuracy Assessment Kit

Northern Digital Inc., Waterloo, Ontario

Jan. 2007 – May 2007

Designed and conducted experiments using highly specialized equipment

Astrophysics Research Student

Project: Extremely Isolated Galaxies in the SDSS

University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

May 2006 – Sept. 2006

• First part of the two term astrophysics research project described above