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**OBJECTIVE** To research methods in artificial intelligence that can see beyond the perceptions of science today; for use in astrophysics, neuroscience and artificial intelligence itself. Whilst doing so I hope to inspire as many people as possible from all backgrounds to enter science by communicating my work in a creative and tangible way.

**EDUCATION** *MSci Physics with Astrophysics*, September 2015 - Present  
University of Glasgow, UK  
Expected June 2020, predicted first class honours.

**UNIVERSITY COURSES** **Year 5**

MSci Masters Project	In Progress
Statistical Mechanics	In Progress
Electrodynamics, Relativity and Dynamics	In Progress
Plasma Theory and Diagnostics	In Progress
Statistical Astronomy	In Progress

**Year 4**

Astronomy Honours Project 2	A3
Mathematical Methods	A1
Electromagnetic Theory	A5
Cosmology and General Relativity	B2
Nuclear and Particle Physics	A5

**Year 3**

Astronomy Honours Project 1	B1
Galaxies	A2
High Energy Astrophysics	A1
Quantum Mechanics	A1
Stellar Structure and Evolution	A3

**CODING** *Languages:* Python (*Keras*, *Tensorflow*), MATLAB, Arduino, C++, Javascript.  
*AI methods:* Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs), ACGANs, DCNNs, RNNs.

**EXPERIENCE** *Masters Project* September 2019 - Present  
**‘Teaching a machine to generate an artificial universe’**

- I used different GAN frameworks and simulation data preprocessing to create a generalised program capable of generating a virtual universe faster than the current methods in cosmological simulations.
- Implications for further research in astrophysics and cosmology.

*Summer Research Associate* Summer 2019  
**‘High-redshift quasars and early Universe dark energy’**

Dark Cosmology Centre, Niels Bohr Institute, University of Copenhagen

- I worked with Dr. Darach Watson at the Cosmic Dawn Centre to create a fast correlation algorithm for two independent satellite missions to generate a large sample of high redshift quasars. This was to study early universe dark energy at a higher redshift than previous analyses.

***Astronomy Honours Project 2***

January - April 2019

**‘Asteroid observations and photometrics’**

- Used Bayesian inference and wavelets analysis on frequency-domain pulsar time signals. This allowed an estimate of the lifetime and magnetic field strength of the Crab Pulsar.

***Astronomy Honours Project 1***

January - April 2018

**‘Estimating the lifetime of the Crab pulsar’**

- I made a dynamic cross-correlation algorithm to track asteroids, distinguishing the object from background stars and recording photometric data.

**TEACHING**

***The Python Argument Clinic***

Sept 2018 - Present

School of Physics and Astronomy, University of Glasgow

- I co-founded a class to teach Python to undergraduate students with Prof. Woan (UoG, IGR). We plan to extend into teaching machine learning techniques.
- I created purpose built Jupyter notebooks for teaching material. Hosted on official university teaching platforms.
- These resources are used for weekly workshops that teach scientific computing.

**OTHER**

***Glasgow Night Shelter***

Sept 2019 - Dec 2019

- I volunteered at Glasgow Night Shelter for destitute asylum seekers. I did this because I think that a stronger connection between different groups in society is essential.

***Outsider Art Exhibition***

March 2015

- I exhibited paintings at the Candid Arts Trust, London as part of a group show.

**INTERESTS**

*Fine Art* - My work looks into themes of mental health, human perception and biology. I am moving into installation using computational work that explores these ideas whilst communicating science and other less tangible phenomena.

*Climbing* - I regularly sport climb and boulder outdoors. It relies on intuition, patience and lateral-thinking.

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