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# Academic Appointments

January 2023 - : Director, Winnipeg Institute of Theoretical Physics

Fall 2021 -: University of Winnipeg

**Assistant Professor of Physics** 

2020 -2021: University of Chicago

Kavli Fellow, Enrico Fermi Fellow

2020: Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Banting Fellow** 

2017-2020: Brown University

Post-Doctoral Research Associate,

Presidential Scholar Post-doctoral Researcher

# Education

2012-2017: McGill University

Ph.D. Physics,

2008-2012: McGill University

Hon. B.Sc. Physics

# Grants

# Research Manitoba New Investigator Operating Grant, 2023-2025

Proposal: Non-Thermal Dark Matter Production in Mulitifeld Cosmic Inflation

Amount: \$50,000 (\$25k/yr, 2 years).

Amount: up to \$50,000 matching funds (1 year).

### NSERC Discovery Grant. 2022-2026

Proposal: Dark Matter in Extreme Environments

Amount: \$205,000 (\$41k/yr, 5 years).

# Arthur B. McDonald Canadian Astroparticle Physics Research Institute, HQP Shared Resources Grant. 2022-2023.

Proposal: *Ultralight Dark Matter*Amount: \$40,000 (\$20k/yr, 2 years).

# **Publications**

Summary statistics as of Feb 2024:

*h*-index: 25, published papers: 44; including preprints: 47 43.2 cites per published paper.

# 2023:

- 47. E. McDonough, J. C. Hill, M. M. Ivanov, A. La Posta and M. W. Toomey, *Observational constraints on early dark energy*, Invtied Review for International Review of Modern Physics D, submitted. [arXiv:2310.19899].
- 46. C. Capanelli, L. Jenks, E. W. Kolb and E. McDonough, *Cosmological Implications of Kalb-Ramond-Like-Particles*, JHEP, submitted. [arXiv:2309.02485].
- 45. S. Alexander, H. Gilmer, T. Manton and E. McDonough, *The*  $\pi$ -axion and  $\pi$ -axiverse of dark QCD, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) [arXiv:2304.11176].
- 44. M. Cicoli, M. Licheri, R. Mahanta, E. McDonough, F. G. Pedro and M. Scalisi, *Early Dark Energy in Type IIB String Theory*, JHEP 06 (2023) 052 [arXiv:2303.03414].
- 43. W. Qin, S. R. Geller, S. Balaji, E. McDonough and D. I. Kaiser, *Planck Constraints and Gravitational Wave Forecasts for Primordial Black Hole Dark Matter Seeded by Multifield Inflation*, Phys.Rev.D 108 (2023) 4, 043508 [arXiv:2303.02168].

#### 2022:

- 42. M. X. Lin, E. McDonough, J. C. Hill and W. Hu, A Dark Matter Trigger for Early Dark Energy Coincidence, Phys.Rev.D 107 (2023) 10, 103523, [arXiv:2212.08098].
- 41. L. Jenks, K. Koutrolikos, E. McDonough, S. Alexander and S. J. Gates, *Towards A Direct Detection of the Spin of Dark Matter*, Phys.Lett.B 842 (2023) 137956, [arXiv:2212.07442].
- 40. E. W. Kolb, A. J. Long, E. McDonough and G. Payeur, Completely Dark Matter from Rapid-Turn Multifield Inflation, JHEP 02 (2023) 181 [arXiv:2211.14323].

- 39. E. McDonough and M. Scalisi, *Towards Early Dark Energy in String Theory*, Preprint available at [arXiv:2209.00011].
- 38. A. Maleknejad and E. McDonough, *Ultra-Light Pion (ULP) and Baryon WIMPzilla Dark Matter*. Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 9, 095011 [arXiv:2205.12983].
- 37. S. Geller, W. Qin. E. McDonough, and D. I. Kaiser, *Primordial Black Holes from Multifield Inflation with Nonminimal Couplings*. Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 6, 063535 [arXiv:2205.04471].

#### 2021:

- 36. E. McDonough, M. X. Lin, J. C. Hill, W. Hu and S. Zhou, *The Early Dark Sector, the Hubble Tension, and the Swampland*. Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 4, 043525 [arXiv:2112.09128].
- 35. S. Alexander, C. Capanelli, E. G. M. Ferreira, and E. McDonough, *Cosmic Filament Spin from Dark Matter Vortices*. Phys.Lett.B 833 (2022) 137298 [arXiv:2111.03061].
- 34. K. Inomata, E. McDonough and W. Hu, *Amplification of Primordial Perturbations from the Rise or Fall of the Inflaton*. JCAP 02 (2022) 02, 031 [arXiv:2110.14641].
- 33. K. Inomata, E. McDonough, and W. Hu, *Primordial Black Holes Arise When The Inflaton Falls*. Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 12, 123553. [arXiv:2104.03972].
- 32. E. W. Kolb, A. J. Long and E. Mcdonough, *The Gravitino Swampland Conjecture*. Phys. Rev. Lett. 127 (2021) 13, 131603 [arXiv:2103.10437]
- 31. E. W. Kolb, A. J. Long, and E. McDonough, *Catastrophic Production of Slow Gravitinos*. Phys. Rev. D 104 (2021) 7 [arXiv:2102.10113].

#### 2020:

- 30. S. Alexander, E. McDonough, and David N. Spergel, *Strongly-Interacting Ultralight Millicharged Particles*. Phys. Lett. B, 822, 2021, 136653. [arXiv:2011.06589].
- 29. S. Alexander, L. Jenks and E. McDonough, *Higher Spin Dark Matter*. Phys. Lett. B 819, 2021,136436. [arXiv:2010.15125].
- 28. E. McDonough, A. H. Guth, D. I. Kaiser, *Nonminimal Couplings and the Forgotten Field of Axion Inflation*. Preprint available at [arXiv:2010.04179].
- 27. M. M. Ivanov, E. McDonough, J. C. Hill, M. Simonović, M. W. Toomey, S. Alexander, and M. Zaldarriaga, *Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large-Scale Structure*. Phys. Rev. D 102 (2020) 103502. [arXiv:2006.11235].
- 26. J. C. Hill, E. McDonough, M. W. Toomey and S. Alexander, *Early Dark Energy Does Not Restore Cosmological Concordance*. Editors suggestion, Phys. Rev. D 102 (2020) 4, 043507. [arXiv:2003.07355].
- 25. S. Alexander, G. Herczeg, J. Liu and E. McDonough, *Chiral Symmetry and the Cosmological Constant*. Phys. Rev. D 102 (2020) 8, 083526. [arXiv:2003.08416].

24. E. McDonough, *The Cosmological Heavy Ion Collider: Fast Thermalization after Cosmic Inflation*. Phys. Lett. B 809 (2020) 135755. [arXiv:2001.03633].

#### 2019:

- 23. S. Alexander, E. McDonough, A. Pullen and B. Shapiro, *Physics Beyond The Standard Model with Circular Polarization in the CMB and CMB-21cm Cross-Correlation*. JCAP **2001**, no. 01, 032 (2020) [arXiv:1911.01418].
- 22. S. Alexander, S. Gleyzer, E. McDonough, M. W. Toomey and E. Usai, *Deep Learning the Morphology of Dark Matter Substructure*. Ap. J. 15 **893** (2020) [arXiv:1909.07346].
- 21. S. Alexander, S. J. Gates Jr., L. Jenks, K. Koutrolikos, and E. McDonough, *Higher Spin Supersymmetry at the Cosmological Collider: Sculpting SUSY Rilles in the CMB*. JHEP **1910**, 156 (2019) [arXiv:1907.05829].
- 20. S. Alexander and E. McDonough, *Axion-Dilaton Destabilization and the Hubble Tension*. Phys. Lett. B797 (2019) [arXiv:1904.08912].
- 19. R. Kallosh, A. Linde, E. McDonough, and M. Scalisi, *dS vacua and the Swampland*. JHEP 1903 (2019) 134 [arXiv:1901.02022].
- 18. S. Alexander, J. Bramburger, and E. McDonough, *Dark Disk Substructure and Superfluid Dark Matter*. Phys. Lett. B797 (2019) [arXiv:1901.03694].

#### 2018:

- 17. S. Alexander and E. McDonough, *Primordial Circular Polarization in the Cosmic Microwave Background*. Phys. Lett. B 0370 (2018) 2693 [arXiv:1811.05953].
- 16. R. Kallosh, A. Linde, E. McDonough and M. Scalisi, 4d models of dS uplift in KKLT. Phys.Rev. D99 (2019) no.4, 046006 [arXiv:1809.09018].
- 15. S. Alexander, E. McDonough, R. Sims and N. Yunes, *Hidden-Sector Modifications to Gravitational Waves From Binary Inspirals*, Class. Quant. Grav. 35, no. 23, 235012 (2018) [arXiv:1808.05286]
- 14. R. Kallosh, A. Linde, E. McDonough and M. Scalisi, *de Sitter Vacua with a Nilpotent Superfield*. Fortschr. Phys. 2018, 1800068 [arXiv:1808.09428].
- 13. K. Dasgupta, M. Emelin, E. McDonough, and R. Tatar, Quantum Corrections and the de Sitter Swampland Conjecture. JHEP 1901, 145 (2019) [arXiv:1808.07498].
- 12. S. Alexander and E. McDonough, *Observable Chiral Gravitational Waves from Inflation in String Theory*. JCAP 1811, no. 11, 030 (2018) [arXiv:1806.05684].
- 11. S. Alexander, E. McDonough, and D. N. Spergel, *Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter*, JCAP 1805, no. 05, 003 (2018) [arXiv:1801.07255].

- 10. H. Bazrafshan Moghaddam, E. McDonough, R. Namba, and R. H. Brandenberger, *Inflationary magneto-(non)genesis, increasing kinetic couplings, and the strong coupling problem,* Class. Quant. Grav. 35, no. 10, 105015 (2018) [arXiv:1707.05820].
- 9. S. Alexander, E. McDonough, and R. Sims, *V-mode Polarization in Axion Inflation and Preheating*, Phys. Rev. D 96, no. 6, 063506 (2017) [arXiv:1704.00838].
- 8. E. McDonough and M. Scalisi, *Inflation from Nilpotent Kähler Corrections*, JCAP 1611, no. 11, 028 (2016) [arXiv:1609.00364].
- 7. K. Dasgupta, M. Emelin, and E. McDonough, Fermions on the Anti-Brane: Higher Order Interactions and Spontaneously Broken Supersymmetry, Phys. Rev. D 95, 026003 [arXiv:1601.03409].
- 6. E. McDonough, H. B. Moghaddam, and R. H. Brandenberger, *Preheating and Entropy Perturbations in Axion Monodromy Inflation*, JCAP 1605 (2016) 012 [arXiv:1601.07749].
- 5. K. Dasgupta, M. Emelin, and E. McDonough, *Non-Kahler Resolved Conifold, Localized Fluxes in M-Theory and Supersymmetry*, JHEP 1502 (2015) 179 [arXiv:1412.3123].
- 4. L. P. Levasseur and E. McDonough, *Backreaction and Stochastic Effects in Single Field Inflation*, Phys.Rev. D91 (2015) 063513 [arXiv:1409.7399].
- 3. K. Dasgupta, R. Gwyn, E. McDonough, M. Mia, and R. Tatar. de Sitter Vacua in Type IIB String Theory: Classical Solutions and Quantum Corrections, JHEP 1407, 054 (2014) [arXiv:1402.5112].
- 2. Y. -F. Cai, E. McDonough, F. Duplessis and R. H. Brandenberger, *Two Field Matter Bounce Cosmology*, JCAP 1310, 024 (2013) [arXiv:1305.5259].
- 1. E. McDonough and R. H. Brandenberger, Searching for Signatures of Cosmic String Wakes in 21cm Redshift Surveys using Minkowski Functionals, JCAP 1302, 045 (2013) [arXiv:1109.2627].

# Student Mentoring and Research Supervision

# **Research Supervision:**

*Undergraduate*: two summer undergraduate researchers, 2022; 4 summer undergraduates 2023

Graduate: 1 PhD candidate, McGill University, Sept. 2022 - ; 1 MSc, McGill University, 2023- ; 1 PhD, U Manitoba, 2023-

*High School*: Maples Met Internship. Student won provincial science fair competition, CAP medal, and silver medal in Canada-Wide Science Fair

# **Research Co-Supervision During Postdoc Appointments:**

Density Perturbations Group, MIT: Mentor and informal research co-supervisor to five (5) undergraduate students in the Density Perturbations Group (DPG) at the MIT, led by Alan Guth and David Kaiser.

*Presidential Scholars Program, Brown University:* Mentor, tutor, and advisor to undergraduate Presidential Scholars at Brown University.

Brown University, Research Supervision: co-supervision of six (6) undergraduate research projects, and nine (9) graduate theses.

# Awards and Honours

Selected awards and prizes totaling \$311,000.

Banting Fellowship, Government of Canada.

2020. \$140,000. National Prize Postdoctoral Fellowship

Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF), Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) 2017-2019, \$90,000. *National Award*.

P. R. Wallace Thesis Prize, Canadian Association of Physicists,

2019. National award for best Doctoral thesis.

Prix Meilleur Etudiant, Centre de Recherches Mathematiques (CRM)

2017, \$1,000. National award for Doctoral research.

Post-Graduate Scholar Doctoral fellowship (PGS D), Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC).

2014-2017, \$63,000. National award.

Lorne Trottier Science Accelerator Fellowship, McGill University

2014, \$5,000. Award from McGill University.

Wolfe Fellowship in Scientific and Technological Literacy, McGill University

2015, \$12,000. Award from McGill University.

# **Teaching**

## **Course Instructor**

PHYS 2106: Math Physics II

Winter 2022 & Winter 2023, University of Winnipeg

Enrolment: 13 students.

Mathematical methods for undergraduate physics students. Sole instructor, responsible for all teaching and assessment.

#### **Course Instructor**

PHYS 4201: Electrodynamics

Fall & Winter 2021-2022 & 2022-2023, University of Winnipeg

Enrolment: 6 students.

Advanced electromagnetism for upper-year undergraduates. Sole instructor, responsible for all teaching and assessment.

#### **Guest Lecturer**

PHYS 0150: The Jazz of Physics

Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019. Brown University

Enrolment: 40 students.

Designed and gave 6 lectures per term.

#### **Course Co-Instructor**

PHYS 743: Very Early Universe Fall 2016, McGill University Enrolment: 11 students.

Designed and organized the course, gave four lectures, and assessed student performance. Utilized the 'just in time' teaching method.

## **Course Organizer**

PHYS 731: Mathematical Methods of High Energy Physics (Special Topics Course)

Winter 2013, McGill University

Enrollment: 4 students.

Organized and led a reading course on mathematical aspects of higher energy physics, for graduate students at McGill University.

#### Lecturer:

Summer Lectures on Topological Defects and Cosmology May-June 2012, McGill University.

Lecture series (8 lectures) on topological defects (e.g. cosmic strings, monopoles) and their observational signatures to undergraduate and graduate students at McGill University.

# Professional Service and Activities

Scientific Council Member, Institute of Particle Physics

**Director**, Winnipeg Institute for Theoretical Physics

Chair, Departmental Colloquium Committee, University of Winnipeg Physics department.

Chair, Graduate Program Committee, University of Winnipeg Physics department.

**Diversity and Inclusion Committee**: Serving member and post-doc representative on the Departmental Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan (DDIAP) committee, Brown University Physics department.

**Referee for journals**: Referee for *Physical Review Letters*, *Journal of High Energy Physics*, *Physical Review D*, and *European Physics Journal C*.

**Conference Co-organizer**: *String Theory and Cosmology*, June 15 - 16, 2019. Gordon Research Seminar, Barcelona, Spain.

**Workshop Co-organizer**: *Northeast Cosmology Workshop*, March 16-18, 2018. Workshop at McGill University.

**Seminar Series Organizer:** *Brown Physics Post-Doc Journal Club*, 2018-2019, Brown University.

**Session Chair:** "Quantum Gravity and Gravitational Waves", *Theory Canada* 13 June 7-10, 2018. National conference at St. Francis-Xavier University.

**Seminar Series Organizer:** *High Energy Theory Journal Club*, 2015-2017, McGill University.

Webmaster for the High Energy Physics Seminars Listing Website: Fall 2015 - 2017.

## Seminars and Invited Talks

Recordings of talks at Stanford University, at the Institute for Advanced Study, and at the Perimeter Institute, can be found on my website here: www.evanmcdonoughphysics.com .

### Talks in order of date:

- 59. Invited talk at Institute of Particle Physics Annual General Meeting, *Canadian Subatomic Theory Update* 2023, June 23, 2023.
- 58. Invited talk at CAP Congress 2023, The  $\pi$ -axion and  $\pi$ -axiverse of Dark QCD, June 22, 2023.
- 57. Invited Copernicus Webinar, The  $\pi$ -axion and  $\pi$ -axiverse of Dark QCD, May 23, 2023.
- 56. Invited colloquium speaker, Prairie University Physics Speaker Series (PUPSS), University of Regina, *Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, Feb 10, 2023.
- 55. Invited colloquium speaker, Prairie University Physics Speaker Series (PUPSS), University of Saskatoon, *Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, Feb 9, 2023.
- 54. WITP Colloquium, Brandon University, January 16, Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics, Feb 9, 2023.
- 53. Invited colloquium speaker at the University of Manitoba, *Ultralight Dark Matter and Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, November 25, 2022.

- 52. Invited colloquium speaker at the University of North Dakota, *Ultralight Dark Matter and Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, October 28, 2022.
- 51. Invited talk at McGill University, *Ultralight Dark Matter from A(LPs) to U(LPs)*, October 12, 2022.
- 50. Keynote talk at Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) Congress 2022, McMaster University, Hamilton ON. *Ultralight Dark Matter and Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, June 9, 2022.
- 49. Invited talk at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ, *Ultralight Dark Matter and Cosmological Condensed Matter Physics*, April 21st, 2022.
- 48. Invited talk at the University of Calgary, *The Light and Fuzzy Side of Dark Matter*, February 17th, 2022.
- 47. Invited talk at the University of Lethbridge, *The Light and Fuzzy Side of Dark Matter*, February 1st, 2022.
- 46. Invited talk at CITA National Jamboree, *Strongly Interacting Millicharged Particles*, October 8th, 2021.
- 45. Invited talk at Peebles Symposium, Canadian Association of Physicists Congress 2021, *New Directions for Dark Matter*, June 8th, 2021.
- 44. Invited talk at Stanford, Catastrophic Production of Slow Gravitinos. May 14, 2021.
- 43. Invited talk at CERN, Catastrophic Production of Slow Gravitinos. May 12, 2021.
- 42. Invited talk at Ben Gurion University, Catastrophic Production of Slow Gravitinos. May 10, 2021.
- 41. Invited talk at McGill University, *The Gravitino Swampland Conjecture*. Apr. 26, 2021.
- 40. Invited talk at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champagne, *Catastrophic Production of Slow Gravitinos*. Apr. 23, 2021.
- 39. Invited talk at String Pheno Webinar, *The Gravitino Swampland Conjecture*. Apr. 13, 2021.
- 38. Invited talk at the University of Chicago, Kadanoff Center for Theoretical Physics, *The Gravitino Swampland Conjecture*. Apr. 7, 2021.
- 37. Invited talk at Queen's University, Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure. Mar. 16, 2021.
- 36. Invited talk at Higher Spin Gravity Webinar, Higher Spin Dark Matter. Mar. 2, 2021.
- 35. Invited talk at the Perimeter Institute for Theoretical Physics, *Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure*. Feb. 16, 2021.
- 34. Invited talk at the University of New Brunswick, Higher Spin Dark Matter. Feb. 9, 2021.

- 33. Invited talk at Newton 1665 seminar, STUMP Dark Matter. Jan. 26, 2021.
- 32. Invited talk at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Joint MIT/Tufts cosmology seminar, *Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure*. Oct. 20, 2020.
- 31. Invited talk at MPA Garching, Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure. Oct. 20, 2020.
- 30. Invited talk at PACMAN (Particle Astro/Cosmo Meeting Around NYC) seminar, *Ultra-light Fermionic Dark Matter: Halo Cores as Dark Neutron Stars*. Oct. 13, 2020.
- 29. Invited talk at Copernicus Webinar Series, Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure. July 23, 2020.
- 28. Invited talk at the Theoretical Cosmology, Gravity and Fields Workshop, Dartmouth College. *Constraining Early Dark Energy with Large Scale Structure*. July 21, 2020.
- 27. Invited talk at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, *Gravitational Lamp Posts for Dark Matter Physics*. Dec. 6, 2019.
- 26. Invited talk at Northeastern University, *The Chirality of Primordial Gravitational Waves*. Sept. 30, 2019.
- 25. Invited talk at Theory Canada 14, New (Old) Gravitational Probes of Dark Matter. May 31, 2019.
- 24. Invited Lecture at Atlantic General Relativity 2019, *Primordial Cosmology and High Energy Physics*. May 27, 2019.
- 23. Seminar at the Flatiron Institute, Center for Computational Astrophysics, *Strong Gravity Probes of Dark Matter*. May 1, 2019
- 22. Seminar at the ETH Zurich, The Chirality of Primordial Gravitational Waves. March 22, 2019
- 21. Seminar at the Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics (MPA) Garching, *The Chirality of Primordial Gravitational Waves*. March 19, 2019
- 20. Seminar at the Syracuse University, *The Chirality of Primordial Gravitational Waves*, Dec 11, 2018.
- 19. Seminar at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, *The Chirality of Primordial Gravitational Waves*, Dec 11, 2018.
- 18. Invited Speaker at Canadian Association of Physicists (CAP) Congress 2018, June 11-15, 2018. Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 17. Session Chair and contributed talk at the Theory Canada 13, June 7-9, 2018. St. Francis Xiavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia.
- 16. Invited speaker at conference New England Cosmology Workshop, October 13-14, 2018. Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

- 15. Seminar at the Dartmouth College, Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter, May 2, 2018.
- 14. Seminar at the University of Pennsylvania, *Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter*, April 26, 2018.
- 13. Seminar at the New York University, *Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter*, April 17, 2018.
- 12. Seminar at the Institute for Advance Study, Princeton, *Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter*, March 12, 2018.
- 11. Seminar at Harvard University, Dvorkin-Finkbeiner-Kovacs journal club, *Chiral Gravitational Waves and Baryon Superfluid Dark Matter*, February 20, 2018.
- 10. Seminar at Tufts University, *Anti-Brane Induced Inflation*, November 14, 2017.
- 9. Invited speaker at conference String Theory and Cosmology: Cosmic Origin and Cosmic Fate, From Big Bang to Dark Energy May 27-28, 2017, Italy.
- 8. Seminar at Brown University, *Primordial Black Holes and Preheating in Axion Inflation*, April 26, 2016.
- 7. Contributed talk, *Fermions on the Antibrane*, at the workshop Northeast Gravity Workshop, April 22-24, 2016, hosted by UMass Amherst.
- 6. Seminar at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, *Preheating in Axion Inflation Models*, April 12, 2016.
- 5. Seminar at the University of California at Berkeley, *Fermions on the Anti-Brane: Higher Order Interactions and Spontaneously Broken Supersymmetry*, March 1, 2016.
- 4. Seminar at the University of Chicago, de Sitter in String Theory: A story of branes, planes, and quantum corrections, June 12, 2014.
- 3. Seminar at Ecole Physique Les Houches, *Pour some SUGRA on me: Supergravity and Su-perconformal Gauge Theory*, while attending summer school *Post-Planck Cosmology*, July 3 August 3, 2013.
- 2. Contributed talk, *Two Field Matter Bounce Cosmology*, at the conference Theory Canada 8, May 24-26, 2013, hosted by Bishop's University.