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## Education and Research History

since 2015: Postdoctoral Researcher in Institute for Astronomy, Edinburgh University

2011-2015: PhD of Astrophysics in Institute for Astronomy, Edinburgh University

2011: Research Assistant of Peter Schneider in AifA, Bonn University

2008-2011: (With Excellence) Master of Astrophysics in AlfA, Bonn University

2003-2007: Bachelor of physics Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

1999-2003: (Grade>90%) High school Diploma in physics and mathematics, A NODET (National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents) High School, Tehran, Iran.

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## Scholarships and Awards

2011-2015: SUPA (Scottish Universities Physics Alliance Prize scholarship)

2011-2015: Edinburgh Global Research Scholarship

2011 : Selected for the IMPRS (International Max Planck Research School)

2009-2011: BCGS (Bonn Cologne Graduate School) scholarship,

2008- 2010 : BIGS (Bonn International Graduate School) scholarship,

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## Scientific Papers:

2012 : Cosmic Shear Tomography and Efficient Data Compression using COSEBIs,  
Asgari, M., Schneider, P., & Simon, P (From my masters thesis)  
(published in A&A 542, A122 2012), arXiv: 1201.2669

2014: A New Data Compression Method and its Application to Cosmic Shear Analysis,  
Asgari, M. & Schneider, P. (In collaboration with Bonn university)  
(published in A&A 578, A50 2015), arXiv: 1409.0863

2015: Revisiting CFHTLenS cosmic shear: Optimal E/B mode decomposition using  
COSEBIs and compressed COSEBIs  
Asgari, M. , Heymans C. , Blake C. , Harnois-Deraps J.,  
Schneider P. , Van Waerbeke L., arXiv:1601.00115

2016: Flat sky Psuedo Cls analysis for cosmic shear analysis  
(in prep, check my thesis on my webpage), Asgari, M et al.

2016: RCSLenS: Cross-Correlations with CMB Lensing (in prep)  
Joachim Harnois-Deraps, ..., Marika Asgari, RSCLenS Collaboration.

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## Talks And Posters

### Long Talks:

Revisiting CFHTLenS cosmic shear analysis, Leiden 2016  
Pseudo Cl analysis for weak lensing, Euclid Consortium meeting, Lausanne 2015  
Cosmic shear analysis with CFHTLenS, Bonn University 2015 (invited talk)  
Cosmic shear analysis with CFHTLenS data, DEX meeting, Edinburgh 2015  
Cosmic shear analysis methods, Fourier vs. real space, Astrophysics colloquium seminar, Edinburgh-2014  
Cosmic shear estimators, XIst Cosmology school in Cargese- 2012  
COSEBIs and efficient cosmic shear analysis, DEX meeting in Durham -2012  
Tomography with COSEBIs, Astrophysics seminar, Bonn 2011  
Introduction to COSEBIs, Cosmology group seminar, Bonn - 2010

### Posters:

Physics, Edinburgh-2013  
Euclid kick off meeting, Edinburgh-2012  
National Astronomy Meeting, Manchester-2012

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## Schools, Conferences and Meetings

KiDS meeting, Leiden 2016  
Euclid 2-point statistics meeting, Paris 2016  
Euclid UK consortium meeting, Edinburgh 2015  
Euclid consortium meeting, Lausanne 2015  
Durham Edinburgh Extragalactic meeting, Edinburgh 2015  
KIDS meeting, Edinburgh 2014  
Introduction to GPU Programming workshop, 2014  
Higgs' conference, New directions in Theoretical physics, Edinburgh UK-2014  
Euclid Weak lensing group meeting, Frascati Italy-2013  
Ripples in the cosmos conference, Durham UK -2013  
Euclid general meeting, Leiden Netherlands-2013  
XIst Cosmology school, Cargese France-2012  
National Astronomy Meeting, Manchester UK-2012  
Euclid kick off meeting, Edinburgh UK-2012  
Durham Edinburgh Extragalactic Workshop, Durham UK-2012  
Young researcher's Forum, Durham UK 2011  
Fourth TRR33 Cosmology Winter School, Italy-2010  
10 years of cosmic shear conference, Edinburgh UK-2010

Third TRR33 Cosmology Winter School, Italy-2009

DUEL Cosmology and Lensing Summer School, Paris France-2009

International workshops on Gravitational Lensing Techniques, Tehran Iran, 2007, 2008

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## **Programming Skills**

Expert C++ (6 years continuous experience) and Matlab (4 years) programmer

Skilled in Python and Mathematica

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## **Teaching Experience**

Edinburgh University:

Teaching:

Weak gravitational lensing course for graduate students

lectures on cosmic shear analysis from theory to observations

Teaching assistance:

Maths for physics, General relativity (twice)

Algebra and Calculus, Dynamics and Vector calculus

Statistics and Fourier analysis

Bonn University, Teaching assistance:

Cosmology for Graduate students (twice)

Gravitational Lensing for Graduate students

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## **Organizational Activities:**

Large Scale Structure weekly journal clubs, Edinburgh

Statistics Reading Group, Edinburgh

Euclid kick-off meeting, Edinburgh (Local)

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## **Public Outreach:**

Open day at royal Observatory Edinburgh, where over 3000 members of the public visited the observatory. I took part in a multimedia show about the violent Universe.

Contribution to an Android app for observing exoplanets. I came up with the initial plan and design of the app, Edinburgh.

Several Activities during the international astronomy day, Tehran, Iran.