

CURRICULUM VITAE – Silvio Sergio Cerri

Employment

- 2021–present Laboratoire J.-L. Lagrange, Observatoire de la Côte d’Azur, CNRS, Nice, France
CNRS Research Scientist (Chargé de Recherche de Classe Normale)
Group: *Turbulence Fluide et Plasmas*
- 2020–2021 Princeton University, Department of Astrophysical Sciences, USA
Associate Research Scholar
Group: *Astrophysical Plasmas*
- 2017–2020 Princeton University, Department of Astrophysical Sciences, USA
Postdoctoral Research Associate
Group: *Astrophysical Plasmas* (with Prof. M.W. Kunz)
- 2016–2017 University of Pisa, Department of Physics, Italy
Postdoctoral Researcher (Assegnista di Ricerca)
Group: *Space Plasmas* (with Prof. F. Califano)
- 2015–2016 Max-Planck-Institut für Plasmaphysik (IPP), Garching, Germany
Transitional Postdoc Position (6 months)
Group: *Turbulence in Laboratory and Astrophysical Plasmas*
- 2012–2015 Max-Planck-Institut für Plasmaphysik (IPP), Garching, Germany
Doctoral Researcher
Group: *Turbulence in Laboratory and Astrophysical Plasmas* (with Prof. F. Jenko)

Education

- Ulm University, Germany – Ph.D. in Physics *with highest honors* (“*magna cum laude*”), 12/2015
Ph.D. Thesis: *Plasma Turbulence in the Dissipation Range – Theory and Simulations*
Advisor: Prof. Frank Jenko
- University of Pisa, Italy – M.Sc. in Astrophysics *with highest honors* (“*110/110 cum laude*”), 3/2012
Thesis: *Fluid Modeling of Kinetic Effects in Collisionless Magnetized Plasmas and Application to Solar Wind-Magnetosphere Interaction*
Advisor: Prof. Francesco Califano
- University of Pisa, Italy – B.Sc. in Physics *with highest honors* (“*110/110 cum laude*”), 9/2009
Thesis: *Physical features of the solar interior* (in Italian)
Advisor: Prof. Scilla Degl’Innocenti

Honors and Awards

- 2020 Invités scientifiques: “Visiting Research Fellow” at OCA & CNRS Lab. Lagrange, Nice, France
(23 November – 22 December) [all fall/winter in-person visits to OCA canceled due to Covid-19]
- 2019 Invités scientifiques: “Visiting Research Fellow” at OCA & CNRS Lab. Lagrange, Nice, France
(1–30 November)
- 2015 Prize “Vincenzo Ferraro” in Space Plasma Physics
- 2012–15 International Helmholtz Graduate School for Plasma Physics (HEPP) Fellow c/o IPP Garching

Public Codes

- DRAGON: Diffusion Reacceleration & Advection of Galactic cosmic rays: **O**pen **N**ew code (Version 2-Beta);
Project webpage: [The DRAGON Project](#).
- DRAGONCELLO: cosmic-ray transport including a fully anisotropic diffusion tensor (Version 1.0);
see: Cerri et al., JCAP 10:019 (2017). Repository: [github.com/sscerr/DRAGONCELLO](#).
- eTF: parallel (MPI) solver of the “extended Two-Fluid” plasma model equations (Version 1.0);
see: Cerri et al., Phys. Plasmas 20, 112112 (2013). Repository: [github.com/sscerr/eTF](#).

Service

Organizer of the “*Lagrange Seminars*” at the Observatoire de la Côte d’Azur [Nov 2021 – present]

Organizer of the “*Astroplasmas Seminars*” at the Department of Astrophysical Sciences, Princeton University [Jun 2020 – Aug 2021; see also astroplasmas.com]

Member of LOC for *1st JPP Frontiers in Plasma Physics Conference*, Spineto, Italy (2017)

Member of LOC for *Space Plasmas Working Meeting*, Pisa, Italy (2017)

Member of SOC for *HEPP session* at Annual DPG Meeting, Berlin, Germany (2014)

Guest Editor of the Special Issue “*Turbulence in Laboratory, Space and Astrophysical Plasmas: Theory and Applications*” in MDPI Journal *Applied Sciences*

Referee for *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, *Journal of Plasma Physics*, *Physics of Plasmas*, *Frontiers in Astronomy and Space Sciences*, *Frontiers in Physics*, *The European Physical Journal Plus*

Competitively Obtained HPC Time

[2018/19] **PRACE** (grant n.2017174107): Co-PI, 60M CPU-hrs on Marconi-KNL for *Eulerian and lagrangian plasma simulations of kinetic turbulence* (*NOTICE*: I could not be PI because I am not affiliated with an European institution, but I defined the scientific objectives and most of technical details of the project)

[2016/17] **IS CRA** (grant n.HP10BEANCY): Co-PI, 20M CPU-hrs on Marconi-KNL for *Kinetic turbulence in collisionless plasma* (*NOTICE*: I was not designed as PI of this large-size allocation for career-stage reasons, but I entirely defined the scientific objectives and technical details of the project)

[2016/17] **IS CRA** (grant n.HP10C04BTP): PI, 4M CPU-hrs on GALILEO for *Response to an external forcing in hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence*

[2012/13] **HPC Student Award**: PI, 320k CPU-hrs on FERMI for *Profiling and optimization of a 3D code for anisotropic two-fluid models*

[2019/20] **IS CRA** (grant n.HP10B10ALD): Co-I, 9M CPU-hrs on Marconi-KNL for *Magnetic reconnection: a multi-model analysis*

[2017/18] **NASA-HEC**: Co-I, 1M SBUs on PLEIADES for *Kinetic Turbulence and Ion Heating in the Solar Wind*

[2016/17] **LRZ-HPC** (grant n.PR74VI): Co-I, 30M CPU-hrs on SuperMUC for *Kinetic simulations of astrophysical and solar plasma turbulence*

[2012/13] **IS CRA** (grant n.HP10AT2EHV): Co-I, 16M CPU-hrs on FERMI for *Multiscale Plasma Simulations*

[2011/12] **IS CRA** (grant n.HP10AONY05): Co-I, 10M CPU-hrs on FERMI for *Nonlinear 3D dynamics of magnetized plasmas driven by shear flows*

Selected Publications

1. Cerri S. S., Grošelj D., Franci L., *Kinetic plasma turbulence: recent insights and open questions from 3D3V simulations*, Front. Astron. Space Sci. **6**, 64 (2019). (*Invited “Perspective” Article*)
2. Cerri S. S., *Finite-Larmor-radius equilibrium and currents of the Earth’s flank magnetopause*, J. Plasma Phys. **84**, 555840501 (2018). (*“Featured Article” by JPP*)
3. Cerri S. S., Kunz M. W., Califano F., *Dual Phase-space Cascades in 3D Hybrid-Vlasov-Maxwell Turbulence*, Astrophys. J. Lett. **856**, L13 (2018).
4. Cerri S. S., Gaggero D., Vittino A., Evoli C., Grasso D., *A signature of anisotropic cosmic-ray transport in the gamma-ray sky*, J. Cosmol. Astropart. Phys. **10**, 019 (2017).
5. Cerri S. S., Califano F., *Reconnection and small-scale fields in 2D-3V hybrid-kinetic driven turbulence simulations*, New J. Phys. **19**, 025007 (2017). (*“Highlights of 2017” by NJP*)
6. Cerri S. S., Henri P., Califano F., Del Sarto D., Faganello M., Pegoraro F., *Extended fluid models: pressure tensor effects and equilibria*, Phys. Plasmas **20**, 112112 (2013).

Selected Talks

- Dec 2020 AGU Fall Meeting [moved to e-conference because of COVID-19] **(Invited)**
Small-scale turbulence and energy conversion in kinetic plasmas
- Oct 2020 AAPPS-DPP, 4th Asia-Pacific Conference on Plasma Physics **(Invited, Topical Plenary)**
Kinetic turbulence and ion heating in the solar wind
- Jan 2020 Max-Planck/Princeton Center (MPPC) Workshop, Göttingen, Germany **(Invited)**
Ion heating in low- β kinetic plasma turbulence
- Jul 2019 6th Vlasovia Conference, Strasbourg, France **(Invited)**
Reconnection and ion heating in low- β plasma turbulence
- Jun 2019 Waves Côte d'Azur, Nice, France **(Invited)**
The good, the bad and the ugly: kinetic plasma turbulence in a 3D3V phase space
- Jul 2018 11th Plasma Kinetics Working Meeting, Wolfgang Pauli Institute, Vienna, Austria **(Invited)**
3D hybrid-kinetic turbulence and phase-space cascades in a $\beta = 1$ plasma
- Apr 2018 Max-Planck/Princeton Center (MPPC) Workshop, Princeton University, USA **(Invited)**
3D hybrid-Vlasov-Maxwell turbulence: reconnection, spectral anisotropy and dual phase-space cascades
- May 2017 1st JPP Frontiers in Plasma Physics Conference, Spineto, Italy **(Invited)**
Magnetic reconnection as primary driver of the turbulent cascade below the ion gyroradius: hybrid-kinetic simulations
- Jan 2016 Max-Planck/Princeton Center (MPPC) General Meeting, Berlin, Germany **(Invited)**
Subproton-scale cascades in driven hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence
- Nov 2015 IPP Theory Division General Meeting, Plau am See, Germany **(Invited)**
Subproton-scale cascades in driven hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence
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- Nov 2019 Lagrange Seminar, Observatoire de la Côte d'Azur, Nice, France
Reconnection and ion heating in low- β hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence
- Oct 2019 APS-DPP Annual Meeting, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, USA (Contributed)
Reconnection and ion heating in low- β hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence
- Dec 2018 AGU Fall Meeting, Washington, D.C., USA (Contributed)
Plasma turbulence in phase space: 3D-3V hybrid-Vlasov-Maxwell simulations
- Nov 2018 APS-DPP Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, USA (Contributed)
Anisotropic phase-space cascades in 3D-3V hybrid-Vlasov-Maxwell simulations of plasma turbulence
- Oct 2018 Arcetri Workshop on Plasma Astrophysics, Arcetri, Italy (Contributed)
Electron-only reconnection & cascades in phase space: recent results from hybrid-kinetic plasma turbulence
- Oct 2016 Arcetri Workshop on Plasma Astrophysics, Arcetri, Italy (Contributed)
Spectra, reconnection and small-scale fields in forced 2D3V hybrid-Vlasov turbulence
- Jun 2016 5th Vlasovia Conference, Copanello, Italy (Contributed)
Forced hybrid-kinetic turbulence in 2D3V

Teaching Experience

- Fall 2018 Guest Lecturer, Dept. of Physics, University of Pisa
 • “Fondamenti di Fisica dei Plasmi e dei Fluidi”
 (Principles of fluid and plasma physics; ~ 20 students)
- Springs 2016–2017 Guest Lecturer, Dept. of Physics, University of Pisa
 • “Plasmi B” (kinetic plasma theory; ~ 15 students)
- Falls 2014–2016 Guest Lecturer, Dept. of Physics, University of Pisa
 • “Plasmi A” (fluid plasma theory; ~ 15 students)
- Springs 2013–2014 Teaching/Laboratory Assistant c/o IPP Garching
 • “Plasmaphysikpraktikum” (plasma physics lab; 4 students)

Mentoring and Supervision

M.Sc. Thesis: S. De Camillis (U. Pisa; 2013), E. Lazzeretti (U. Pisa; 2016), A. Moirano (U. Pisa; 2018)
 Ph.D. Thesis: F. Finelli (co-supervision with F. Califano, U. of Pisa; *in course*)

Outreach

2017 “*The turbulent world of plasmas: from astrophysics to fusion reactors*”, Kuriltai 2017, Pisa, Italy
 2015 “*Plasmas and the Universe*”, Toastmaster International, Santa Monica Club 21, Los Angeles, USA
 2013 “*The interaction between the solar wind and the Earth’s magnetosphere*”, Kuriltai 2013, Trento, Italy
 2010 Guide for the public exhibition “*La natura si fa in 4*”, an exhibition for mid- and high-school students on the four forces of nature, Pisa, Italy (organized by the National Institute of Nuclear Physics)
 2010–11 Guide for the public exhibition “*La notte dei ricercatori*”, a guided tour through the history, research, and experiments developed within the Department of Physics at the University of Pisa
 2009 Guide for the “*Ludoteca Scientifica*”, an exhibition and laboratory of basic physics experiments for students ranging from mid to high schools (11–18 years-old range)

Involvement in International Collaborations

2020–present Member of several [ESA Solar Orbiter working groups](#)
 (Turbulence [WG](#), Kinetic Physics [WG1](#) [WG2](#), Reconnection [WG](#), Multiscale Physics [WG](#))
 2014–18 Member of the numerical support team for [ESA THOR mission proposal](#) (M4 class)
 2013–present Member of [Max-Planck/Princeton Center for Plasma Physics \(MPPC\)](#)
 2011–14 Member of the [Space Weather Integrated Forecasting Framework \(SWIFF\)](#) team (FP7 project)

References

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