

# CAMERON CALCLUTH

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## EDUCATION

### PhD Candidate | Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden (expected 2025)

**Supervisors:** Giulia Ferrini (Chalmers University of Technology), Alessandro Ferraro (University of Milan)

**Examiner:** Göran Johansson (Chalmers University of Technology)

**Thesis:** *From simulatability to quantum advantage with continuous variable quantum computers.*

As a PhD student, I am researching quantum advantage, which refers to the ability of quantum systems to solve certain problems exponentially faster than classical computers. My work in this field has led to the publication of four research papers, three of which I authored as the lead researcher. I am also actively involved in several ongoing projects investigating the boundaries of what is possible with quantum computing.

### Visiting Fellow of the Department | Harvard University (2023)

I was awarded funding to visit Harvard University for three months to visit Professor Arthur Jaffe's group and collaborate with Xun Gao. The project is ongoing and involves exploring the ability of a type of continuous variable circuits to perform certain calculations faster than an equivalent qubit-based circuit.

### Theoretical Physics BSc, MPhys (International) | First Class | University of Leeds (2019)

**Supervisors:** Jacob Sherson (Aarhus, Bachelor Thesis), Zlatko Papić (Leeds, Master Thesis)

**Bachelor Thesis:** *Gamification of NP-hard spin glass problems and comparison with quantum annealing computers.*

**Master Thesis:** *Single to many-body quantum scars.*

I graduated with a first class integrated master's degree from the University of Leeds. I also spent a year at Aarhus University as part of an Erasmus study abroad programme.

## PUBLICATIONS

**CC**, A. Ferraro, J. Bermejo-Vega, O. Hahn, G. Ferrini, (in preparation). *Classical algorithm to simulate realistic Gottesman-Kitaev-Preskill states that scales inversely to level of squeezing.*

**CC**, N. Reichel, A. Ferraro, G. Ferrini, 2024. *Sufficient condition for universal quantum computation using bosonic circuits.* [PRX Quantum 5, 020337.](#)

**CC**, A. Ferraro, G. Ferrini, 2023. *Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures.* [Phys. Rev. A 107, 062414.](#)

**CC**, A. Ferraro, G. Ferrini, 2022. *Efficient simulation of Gottesman-Kitaev-Preskill states with Gaussian circuits.* [Quantum 6, 867.](#)

L. García-Álvarez, **CC**, A. Ferraro, G. Ferrini, 2020. *Efficient simulatability of continuous-variable circuits with large Wigner negativity.* [Phys. Rev. Research 2, 043322.](#)

## INVITED TALKS

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| 2024 | Sufficient condition for universal quantum computation using bosonic circuits. Central European Workshop on Quantum Optics, Olomouc, Czech Republic. |
| 2024 | From simulatability of continuous variable quantum computation to universality with GKP states. WACQT Review May Meeting, Gothenburg, Sweden.        |
| 2023 | Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures. NONGAUSS Workshop, Olomouc, Czech Republic.                                |
| 2023 | From simulatability of continuous variable quantum computation to universality with GKP states. MIT QIP group meeting, MA, USA.                      |
| 2023 | Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures. Prof. Arthur Jaffe's group meeting at Harvard, MA, USA.                    |

## CONTRIBUTED TALKS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures. Poster presentation. QIP, Ghent, Belgium.
- 2022 Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures. Contributed talk. QMATH, UC Davis, CA, USA.
- 2022 Vacuum provides quantum advantage to otherwise simulatable architectures. TQC, University of Illinois, IL, USA.
- 2021 Efficient simulation of Gottesman-Kitaev-Preskill states with Gaussian circuits. Online presentation. Q-Tech-2020. (delayed one year due to the pandemic)
- 2021 Efficient simulation of Gottesman-Kitaev-Preskill states with Gaussian circuits. Online presentation. APS March Meeting.

## FUNDING

- 2023 Barbro Osher Endowment grant for a three-month visit to Harvard University. 125,000 SEK (€11,000).
- 2023 Chalmersska forskningsfonden grant for a three-month visit to Harvard University. 26,400 SEK (€2,300).
- 2023 Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences general physics scholarship for my visit to Harvard and QIP2023. 100,000 SEK (€8,700).
- 2017-2019 Laidlaw research and leadership scholarship which allowed me to carry out two summers of undergraduate research and attend leadership training events. University of Leeds. £10,000.

## AWARDS

- 2020 SciCommHack award for best science communication project.
- 2019 University of Leeds Beaumont Award for undergraduate research.
- 2019 Highly commended at the Global Undergraduate Awards

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2023-2024 Member of EDI-WACQT, a programme designed to promote equality, diversity, and inclusion in quantum technology departments across Sweden.
- 2019 Union representative for over 500 students, University of Leeds.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Note: as part of my PhD, I have taught approximately 20% of the time. I have been a TA on the following courses.

- 2021-2024 Modern Physics (MCCI175/MCCI176)
- 2020-2023 Quantum Mechanics (TIF290)
- 2020-2021 Quantum Optics and Quantum Information (FKA173)
- 2020-2021 Introduction to Linux (FYD500)

## MASTER PROJECT SUPERVISION

- Alex Maltesson. *Study of producing resourceful quantum states via modular combinations of two-qubit circuits.* (Co-supervisor: Giulia Ferrini.)
- Eduardo Alberto Bardales España. *Characterization of intrinsic error channel in Gottesman-Knill-Preskill codes* (Co-supervisors: Giulia Ferrini, Timo Hillmann.)
- Nicolas Reichel. *Finding magic in continuous-variable quantum computing.* (Co-supervisor: Giulia Ferrini.)

## GRADUATE COURSES

Note: I have taken a total of 61 European credits (ECTS) since the start of my PhD in 2019, corresponding to 20% of the PhD.

### **Stockholm University / KTH (2024)**

Algebraic Topology (7.5 ECTS)

### **RWTH Aachen University (2024)**

Quantum Theory from Information Principles (5 ECTS)

### **Chalmers University of Technology (2020-2023)**

WACQT laboratory course in quantum technology (6 ECTS) | Advanced quantum algorithms (7.5 ECTS)

Teaching, learning and evaluation (3 ECTS) | Complexity Theory: Classical and Quantum (7.5 ECTS)

Algorithms for machine learning and inference (7.5 ECTS) | Writing for publication (4.5 ECTS)

WACQT summer school in quantum technology (1.5 ECTS) | Career and personal development courses (6 ECTS)

Sustainable development: values, technology in society, and the researcher (3 ECTS)

### **University of Copenhagen (2019)**

Summer school: Quantum Communication and Computation with Continuous Variables (2.5 ECTS)

### **University of Leeds (2018-2019)**

Quantum Information Science (7.5 ECTS) | Quantum Field Theory (7.5 ECTS)

Quantum Many-Body Physics (7.5 ECTS) | General Relativity (7.5 ECTS)

### **Aarhus University (2017-2018)**

Particle Physics II (10 ECTS) | Quantum Mechanics II (10 ECTS)

Programming and Numerical Methods (10 ECTS) | Quantum Engineering II (10 ECTS)

## EXTRA TRAINING

2018-2019      Alumni Mentoring Programme, University of Leeds. Paired with a successful CEO of a technology company.

## LANGUAGES

English (native, C2)

Swedish (advanced, C1)

## REFERENCES

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