

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

- **Ph.D.** in Physics, [University of California, Los Angeles](#), June 2000. Department of Physics.  
Title of dissertation: “**Perturbative Quantum Chromodynamics Predictions for Very High Energy Atmospheric Neutrinos and Muons**,” (2000), [UCLA, Ph. D. dissertation](#).  
Committee members: Prof. G.B. Gelmini (Chair and Advisor), Prof. Z. Bern, Prof. D.A. Gieseke, Prof. R. Peccei (UCLA, Vice Chancellor of Research).
- **M.S.** in Physics, [University of California, Los Angeles](#), March 1996. Department of Physics.
- **Laurea in Fisica**, [Università degli Studi di Milano, Italy](#), March 1989 (110/110, “Con Lode”).  
Department of Physics.  
Title of dissertation: “**Studies and Measures on the Stability and Quench Propagation in High Field Super-Conducting Magnets**,” (1987-1989), Università di Milano, Laurea dissertation.  
Committee members: Prof. E. Acerbi (Chair and Advisor), Prof. L. Rossi (Co-Advisor, CERN, Geneva).

### CURRENT ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

**Full Professor of Physics**, [Loyola Marymount University](#) Aug. 2012-present

### PRIOR ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

<b>Acting Chair</b> , Dept. of Physics, <a href="#">Loyola Marymount University</a>	Spring 2012
<b>Associate Professor of Physics</b> , <a href="#">Loyola Marymount University</a> (tenured in August 2006)	2006-2012
<b>Department Chairperson</b> , Dept. of Physics, <a href="#">Loyola Marymount University</a>	2007-2008
<b>Assistant Professor of Physics</b> , <a href="#">Loyola Marymount University</a>	2000-2006
<b>Research Assistant</b> , <a href="#">Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, UCLA</a>	1997-2000
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <a href="#">Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, UCLA</a>	1994-1998
<b>Physics and Math Instructor</b> , <a href="#">Liceo “Leone XIII”, Milano, Italy</a> (Jesuit High School)	1991-1994
<b>Research Associate</b> , <a href="#">Dept. of Physics, University of Milano and I.N.F.N</a>	1987-1989

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Computer Methodologies International Coordinator**, [Pirelli Tire Company, Italy](#) 1989-1991

## TEACHING/ADVISING

### *COURSES TAUGHT AT LMU (Fall–F or Spring-S semester):*

- Physics 101- *Introduction to Mechanics*: S2001, S2002, S2003, S2005, S2006, S2007, S2010, S2011, S2015, S2016, and S2017.
- Physics 101lab - *Introduction to Mechanics Laboratory*: S2001, S2002, S2003, S2005, S2006, S2007, S2008, S2010, S2011, S2015, S2016, and S2017.
- Physics 201 - *Introduction to Electricity and Magnetism*: F2000, F2002, F2005, F2009, F2010, F2011, F2014, and F2015.
- Physics 201lab - *Introduction to Electricity and Magnetism Laboratory*: F2000, F2002, F2005, F2007, F2009, F2010, F2011, F2014, and F2015.
- Physics 212 - *Intermediate Mechanics*: S2001, S2002, and S2010.
- Physics 253 - *General Physics I*: F2001, F2003, F2004, F2008, F2012, S2013, and F2017.
- Physics 253lab - *General Physics I Laboratory*: F2002, F2003, F2004, F2008, F2009, S2012, F2012, S2013, and F2017.
- Physics 254 - *General Physics II*: S2009, and F2016.
- Physics 254lab - *General Physics II Laboratory*: S2009, and F2016.
- Physics 298 - *Research in Physics*: F2008, S2009, F2010, S2011, F2011, and S2012.
- Physics 301 - *Electromagnetic Fields*: F2004, F2005, F2007, F2008, and F2014.
- Physics 302 - *Electromagnetic Waves*: S2005, S2006, S2008, S2009, and S2015.
- Physics 321 - *Quantum Physics I*: F2011, F2015, and F2017.
- Physics 322 - *Quantum Physics II*: S2012, and S2016.
- Physics 398 - *Research in Physics*: F2009, S2010, F2012, S2013, F2014, and S2015.
- Physics 461 - *Elementary Particles*: F2001, and S2011 (**new LMU course developed**).
- Physics 471 - *Introduction to Relativity and Cosmology*: F2010 (**new LMU course developed**).
- Physics 490 - *Physics Teaching*: every semester.
- Physics 498 – *Research in Gravitational Physics*: F2003, F2005, F2007, F2015, S2016, and F2017.

### *TEACHING INTERESTS:*

- Fundamental Physics courses with emphasis on problem solving, conceptual aspects and use of active learning techniques and tools.
- Advanced undergraduate courses in theoretical Physics, Particle Physics, Gravitation and Cosmology.

### *LMU STUDENTS ADVISED:*

- Advised 21 LMU undergraduate students (14 physics majors, 7 engineering physics majors) between Spring 2007 and Fall 2017.
- Prior to Spring 2007: informal advising only to physics and engineering physics students (formal advising to all students was done by Dept. Chair).

### *LMU PHYSICS STUDENTS SUPERVISED AS RESEARCH ASSISTANTS:*

- Mr. Kabir Buxani – particle physics thesis. 2017-2018
- Mr. Daniel Dijamco – gravitational physics thesis. 2017-2018
- Ms. Kellie Ault – gravitational physics research and thesis. 2014-2016
- Ms. Zily Burstein –musical acoustics and gravitational physics research/thesis. 2010-2014
- Ms. Christina Gower –musical acoustics research. 2007-2010
- Ms. Isabel Jully – astro-particle and classical physics research. 2003-2005
- Ms. Kaoru Kamiya – astro-particle and classical physics research. 2002-2003
- Mr. Danny Harrington – cosmic ray research. 2000-2001

SCHOLARSHIP

*PUBLISHED PEER REVIEWED PAPERS OR DISSEMINATED WORK:*

J. Mureika and G. Varieschi, “**Black hole shadows in fourth-order conformal Weyl gravity,**” *Can. J. Phys.*, DOI: [10.1139/cjp-2017-0241](https://doi.org/10.1139/cjp-2017-0241), June 2017, preprint: [arXiv:1611.00399](https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.00399) [gr-qc].

G. Varieschi and K. Ault (+), “**Wormhole geometries in fourth-order conformal Weyl gravity,**” *Int. J. Mod. Phys. D*, DOI: [10.1142/S0218271816500644](https://doi.org/10.1142/S0218271816500644), Apr. 2016, preprint: [arXiv:1510.05054](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.05054) [gr-qc].  
(+) LMU student co-author.

G. U. Varieschi, “**Astrophysical Tests of Kinematical Conformal Cosmology in Fourth-Order Conformal Weyl Gravity,**” *Galaxies*, 2 (2014) 4, 577-600, December 2014, DOI: [10.3390/galaxies2040577](https://doi.org/10.3390/galaxies2040577) (preprint: [arXiv:1410.2944](https://arxiv.org/abs/1410.2944) [astro-ph.CO]).

G. U. Varieschi, “**Kerr metric, geodesic motion, and Flyby Anomaly in fourth-order Conformal Gravity,**” *Gen. Relativ. Gravit.*, 46, 1741, June 2014, DOI: [10.1007/s10714-014-1741-z](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10714-014-1741-z) (preprint: [arXiv:1401.6503](https://arxiv.org/abs/1401.6503) [gr-qc]).

G. Varieschi and Z. Burstein (+), “**Conformal Gravity and the Alcubierre Warp Drive Metric,**” *ISRN Astronomy and Astrophysics*, vol. 2013, Article ID 482734, Jan. 2013, preprint: [arXiv:1208.3706](https://arxiv.org/abs/1208.3706) [gr-qc]. (+) LMU student co-author.

Z. Burstein (+), C. Gower (+) and G. Varieschi, “**Simulating a guitar with a conventional sonometer,**” *Open Journal of Acoustics*, Vol. 2 N. 2, June 2012 (preprint: [arXiv:1105.4570](https://arxiv.org/abs/1105.4570) [physics.class-ph]). (+) LMU student co-author.

G. Varieschi, “**Conformal cosmology and the Pioneer Anomaly,**” *Phys. Res. Int.* 2012:469095, 2012. (arXiv preprint: [arXiv:1010.3262](https://arxiv.org/abs/1010.3262) [astro-ph.CO]).

G. Varieschi, “**Kinematical conformal cosmology: fundamental parameters from astrophysical observations,**” *ISRN Astronomy and Astrophysics*, vol. 2011, Article ID 806549, May 2011, DOI: [10.5402/2011/806549](https://doi.org/10.5402/2011/806549) (arXiv preprint: [arXiv:0812.2472](https://arxiv.org/abs/0812.2472) [astro-ph]).

G. Varieschi (\*) and C. Gower (+), “**Intonation and compensation of fretted string instruments,**” *Am. J. Phys.* **78** (1), 47-55, January 2010 (arXiv preprint: [arXiv:0906.0127](https://arxiv.org/abs/0906.0127) [physics.class-ph]).  
(\*) First author of paper; (+) LMU student co-author.

G. Varieschi, “**A kinematical approach to conformal cosmology,**” *Gen. Relativ. Gravit.*, **42** (4), 929-974, April 2010, DOI: [10.1007/s10714-009-0890-y](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10714-009-0890-y) (arXiv preprint: [arXiv:0809.4729](https://arxiv.org/abs/0809.4729) [gr-qc]).

G. Varieschi, “**Eight and a half minutes,**” *Physics Education*, Vol. 43 (1), 68-74, January 2008 (arXiv preprint: [physics/0612074](https://arxiv.org/abs/physics/0612074)).

G. Varieschi, “**The projectile inside the loop,**” *Physics Education*, Vol. 41 (3), 236-239, May 2006 (arXiv preprint: [physics/0506032](https://arxiv.org/abs/physics/0506032)).

G. Varieschi (\*) and I. Jully (+), “**Toy blocks and rotational physics,**” *The Physics Teacher*, Vol. 43 (6), 360-362, September 2005 (arXiv preprint: [physics/0402119](https://arxiv.org/abs/physics/0402119)).  
(\*) First author of paper; (+) LMU student co-author.

G. Gelmini, G. Varieschi and T. Weiler, “**Bounds on relic neutrino masses in the Z-burst model,**” *Phys. Rev. D* **70**, 113005, 2004 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/0404272](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0404272)).  
(Authors in alphabetical order)

G. Varieschi (\*) and K. Kamiya (+), “**Toy models for the falling chimney**,” *Am. J. Phys.* **71** (10), 1025-1031, October 2003 (arXiv preprint: [physics/0210033](https://arxiv.org/abs/physics/0210033)).

(\*) First author of paper; (+) LMU student co-author.

G. Gelmini, P. Gondolo and G. Varieschi, “**Measuring the prompt atmospheric neutrino flux with down-going muons in neutrino telescopes**,” *Phys. Rev. D* **67**, 017301, 2003 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/0209111](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0209111)).

(Authors in alphabetical order)

G. Gelmini and G. Varieschi, “**Cosmic rays above the ankle from Z bursts with 0.07-eV relic neutrinos**,” 2002 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/0201273](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0201273)).

(Authors in alphabetical order)

G. Gelmini, P. Gondolo and G. Varieschi, “**Measurement of the gluon partonic distribution function at small x with neutrino telescopes**,” *Phys. Rev. D* **63**, 036006, 2001 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/0003307](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0003307)).

(Authors in alphabetical order)

G. Gelmini, P. Gondolo and G. Varieschi, “**Prompt atmospheric neutrinos and muons: dependence on the gluon distribution function**,” *Phys. Rev. D* **61**, 056011, 2000 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/9905377](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9905377)).

(Authors in alphabetical order)

G. Gelmini, P. Gondolo and G. Varieschi, “**Prompt atmospheric neutrinos and muons: NLO vs LO QCD predictions**,” *Phys. Rev. D* **61**, 036005, 2000 (arXiv preprint: [hep-ph/9904457](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9904457)).

(Authors in alphabetical order)

#### *GRANTS AWARDED IN SUPPORT OF RESEARCH:*

- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2017
- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2015
- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2012
- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2010
- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2008
- **Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2004
- **Cottrell College Science Award, Research Corporation, Tucson, AZ** 2002-2004
- **New Faculty Summer Research Grant, LMU** 2001

#### *WORK IN PROGRESS:*

G. Varieschi, “**Applications of Fractional Calculus to Newtonian Mechanics**,” 2017, [arXiv:1712.03473](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03473), submitted to the European Journal of Physics, under review.

G. Tonzig and G. Varieschi, “**Foundations of Classical Mechanics**,” Physics textbook for scientists and engineers (2017, in preparation).

#### *PRESENTATIONS*

G. Varieschi and K. Ault, “**Wormhole geometries in fourth-order conformal Weyl gravity**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2016.

G. Varieschi and Z. Burstein, “**Conformal Gravity and the Alcubierre Warp Drive Metric**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, Denver, Colorado, 2013.

G. Varieschi and C. Gower, “**Intonation and compensation of fretted string instruments**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, Anaheim, California, 2011.

G. Varieschi, “**A kinematical approach to conformal cosmology**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, Denver, Colorado, 2009.

G. Varieschi, “**Eight and a half minutes**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, St. Louis, Missouri, 2008.

G. Varieschi, “**Bounds on relic neutrino masses in the Z-bursts model**,” presented at the APS (American Physical Society) April Meeting, Denver, Colorado, 2004.

G. Varieschi, “**Toy models for the falling chimney**,” presented at the 128<sup>th</sup> AAPT (American Association of Physics Teachers) National Meeting, Miami Beach, Florida, 2004.

#### UNIVERSITY/PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY SERVICE

##### *LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY:*

- University Student Affairs Committee 2017-present
- University Library Committee 2009-2012
- Undergraduate Library Research Award committee 2013
- University Student Affairs Committee 2005-2007
- University Special Committee on Math and Science Teachers Preparation 2004-2006
- University Library Committee 2001-2004

##### *FRANK R. SEAVER COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING:*

- College Faculty Development Committee (Co-chair 2015-2017) 2014-2017
- College Internship Committee 2011-2013
- College Scheduling/Conflict Committee 2007-2012
- College Secondary Science Education Task Force Fall 2011
- College Curriculum Committee Fall 2010
- College New Building User Committee (for new science building) Fall 2008
- College Planning Committee for new science building 2007-Spring 2008
- Freshman Advisor Committee Spring 2008
- Reviewer for LMU internal summer grant 2008

##### *DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS:*

- Faculty Library Representative – Physics Department 2017-present
- Four-unit curriculum task force 2017-present
- Faculty Library Representative – Physics Department 2008-2013
- Chair of Physics Department 2007-2008
- Faculty Library Representative – Physics Department 2001-2006
- Departmental Search Committee 2001, 2004, and 2017
- Reviewer of part-time instructors

##### *PROFESSIONAL:*

- Reviewer for Astrophysics and Space Science – Springer Science Journal
- Reviewer for Bentham Science Publishers , eBooks
- Reviewer for JCAP – Journal of Cosmology and Astroparticle Physics – IOP Science
- Reviewer for Physics Letters B – Elsevier Journal
- Reviewer for The Physics Teacher - AAPT
- Reviewer for Foundations of Physics – Springer Science Journal
- Reviewer for Central European Journal of Physics – Springer Versita Journal
- Reviewer for Canadian Journal of Physics

### AFFILIATIONS AND PAST AWARDS:

- American Physical Society ([APS](#)), Division of Particles and Fields.
- American Association of Physics Teachers ([AAPT](#)).
- The National Physics Honor Society ([Sigma Pi Sigma](#)).
- Guitar Foundation of America ([GFA](#)).
- Honorary Teaching Award, *Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, UCLA* 1996-1997
- Outstanding Teaching Award, *Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, UCLA* 1995-1996
- Physics Foreign Scholar Award, *Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, UCLA* 1994-1998
- I.N.F.N. (Italian National Institute of Nuclear Physics) Fellowship 1987-1989
- Ansaldo Research Scholarship - Italy 1987-1989

### OTHERS

#### *RESEARCH INTERESTS:*

- Cosmology and General Relativity. Alternative theories of Gravity. Fractional Physics.
- Elementary Particle Physics. Astro-Particle Physics and Astrophysics. Cosmic Rays.
- Musical Acoustics and Physics of Musical Instruments.
- Classical and General Physics.

#### *COMPUTER SKILLS:*

- Languages: FORTRAN, TeX, LaTeX, HTML.
- Operating Systems: Unix and Windows platforms.
- Application Packages and Tools: Scientific WorkPlace, Origin, MS Office, Mathematica.

#### *PHYSICS CONFERENCES ATTENDED:*

- SCAAPT Meeting, April 2017, Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles.
- APS April Meeting 2016, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 16-19, 2016.
- APS April Meeting 2015, Baltimore, Maryland, April 11-14, 2015.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Pacific Coast Gravity Meeting, San Diego, CA, March 2014.
- APS April Meeting 2013, Denver, Colorado, April 13-15, 2013.
- APS April Meeting 2011, Anaheim, California, April 30-May 3, 2011.
- APS April Meeting 2009, Denver, Colorado, May 2-5, 2009.
- APS April Meeting 2008, St. Louis, Missouri, April 12-15, 2008.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM 2008), Marina del Rey, California, February 20-22, 2008.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM 2006), Marina del Rey, California, February 22-24, 2006.
- APS April Meeting 2004, Denver, Colorado, May 1-4, 2004.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM 2004), Marina del Rey, California, February 18-20, 2004.
- AAPT National Meeting 2004, Miami Beach, Florida, January 24-28, 2004.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM 2002), Marina del Rey, California, February 20-22, 2002.
- 2002 Workshop for New Physics and Astronomy Faculty, AAPT, College Park, Maryland, November 7-10, 2002.
- APS April Meeting 2000 and EUSO Meeting, Long Beach, California, April 29-May 2, 2000.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM 2000), Marina del Rey, California, February 23-25, 2000.
- OWL/AW Neutrino Workshop, University of California Los Angeles, November 1-3, 1999.

- Division of Particles and Fields Conference (DPF '99), University of California Los Angeles, January 5-9, 1999.
- Sources and Detection of Dark Matter in the Universe (DM '98), Marina del Rey, California, February 18-20, 1998.

*PERSONAL:*

- Born: November 18, 1961, Milano, Italy.
- Citizenship: USA and Italian.
- Marital status: married, two children.

*ACTIVITIES AND SKILLS:*

- Music: classical guitar and lute player.
- Sports: alpine and cross-country skiing.

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