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Work experience

Dates 1989-present

Occupation or position held Associate Professor

Main activities and responsibilities Research, Teaching and Management.

Organisation Department of Physics, University of Rome "Tor Vergata"
Public University

Education and training

Dates 1984-1987

Title of qualification awarded Ph.D. in Astrophysics

Principal subjects Thesis title: "Anisotropy in Cosmology and Galactic Dynamics".

Organisation University of Rome "la Sapienza"

Competence

Research Researcher in Mathematical Physics with applications to Celestial Mechanics, Galactic Dynamics and Physics of Gravitation

Teaching Experienced Teacher for several Physics and Mathematics courses: Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Systems, General Physics, Acoustics

Career summary

Scientific profile:

Giuseppe Pucacco has an Associate Professor position at the Physics Department of the University of Rome "Tor Vergata". He is currently qualified (Abilitato) for the role of Full Professor in the class of Mathematical Physics.

His research activity is mainly devoted to the study of Hamiltonian dynamical systems and to their applications to Celestial Mechanics, Galactic Dynamics and to other branches of Astrophysics and Classical and Relativistic Mechanics. The original research contributions cover the study of multi-body resonant dynamics, orbits around the collinear points of the 3-body problem, orbits in elliptical galaxies, the integrability of selected classes of Hamiltonian systems and the assessment of general relativistic effects on the orbits of geodetic satellites.

In these fields, in addition to several papers on ISI-Scopus journals, he is coauthor with D. Boccaletti of a textbook, Theory of Orbits, conceived as a general introduction to the problems of analytical mechanics, with particular emphasis on perturbation methods.

He gives regular courses of Celestial Mechanics for the laurea in astronomy and for the laurea specialistica in Scienze dell'Universo and participated, with the role of co-supervisor of an early stage researcher, in the European Training Network STARDUST with a project devoted to Advanced Modelling of Asteroid and Debris Attitude Dynamics. He is didactic coordinator of the 2nd level master course in Space Science and Technology.

He was responsible, for the Tor Vergata section of the LARASE project aiming at verifying general relativistic effects by accurate laser ranging tracking of high-M/A satellite orbits and of the HERMES project with the role of optimization of the constellation orbits. He collaborates with INFN for the LAG experiment for the measure of the gravitational force at short distances and for the LISA experiment which aims at the detection of gravitational waves with a laser space interferometer based on a satellite constellation in heliocentric orbit.

Background experience:

Giuseppe Pucacco has extensively applied in the field of galactic dynamics the tools originally developed to tackle problems in modern celestial mechanics. To investigate the existence and stability of periodic orbits he has applied the perturbation methods based on the Lie transform method to construct Hamiltonian normal forms of the non-integrable dynamical system. The algebraic manipulation of the expansion series needed to investigate the orbit structure of the system is performed with a Mathematica program for the general symbolic case and with a Fortran program for the high-order model specific case. The application of the Lie transform perturbation approach leads to construct high-order Hamiltonian normal forms which allows us to make quantitative predictions concerning the phase-space structure of the system under investigation.

The scientific activity is testified by 120 entries in the SAO/NASA Astrophysics Data System (ADS), 72 entries referring to refereed publications in the Scopus database and by the numerous congress and meeting participation.

Affiliations and Committee Memberships:

- GNFM (Gruppo Nazionale di Fisica Matematica)
- INFN (Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare)
- IAPS (Istituto di Astrofisica e Planetologia Spaziali)
- SIMCA (Societa' Italiana di Meccanica Celeste e Astrodinamica)
- Referee for *Astrophysical Journal*, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, *Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Astronomy*, *Monthly Notices of the RAS*, *New Astronomy*, *EPJplus*, *Advances in Space Research*, *International Journal of Nonlinear Dynamics*, *Journal of Mathematical Physics*
- Chair of the Master course in Space Science and Technology

Medians (at the present epoch) compared with the Italian ones for the qualification to Full Prof. in Mathematical Physics:

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my score	41	341	11
threshold	12	125	7

Most Recent Publications

Pucacco, G. 2024, **Dynamical stability of the Laplace Resonance**, *Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Astronomy*, 136, 51.

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- Hanssmann, H. Marchesiello, A. Pucacco, G. 2020, **On the detuned 2:4 Resonance**, *Journal of Nonlinear Science*, 20, 2513-2544.
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- Lucchesi, D. M. Anselmo, L. Bassan, M. Magnafico, C. Pardini, C. Peron, R. Pucacco, G. Visco, M. 2019, **General Relativity Measurements in the Field of Earth with Laser-Ranged Satellites: State of the Art and Perspectives**, *Universe*, 5, 141.
- Bassan, M. De Laurentis, M. De Rosa, R. Di Fiore, Errico, L. Garufi, F. Grado, A. Minenkov, Y. Pucacco, G. Visco, M. 2019b, **Liquid actuated gravity experiments**, *International Journal of Modern Physics D*, 28, 1950115.
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- Gkolias, I. Celletti, A. Efthymiopoulos, C. Pucacco, G. 2019, **Accurate modelling of the low-order secondary resonances in the spin-orbit problem**, *Communications in Nonlinear Science and Numerical Simulation*, 77, 181-202.
- Pucacco, G. and Lucchesi, D. 2018, **Tidal effects on the LAGEOS-LARES satellites and the LARASE program**, *Celestial Mechanics and Dynamical Astronomy*, 130, 66.
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