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Scientific Interests

Physics tests of gravity, gravitational waves, new physics beyond standard model

Astrophysics pulsar timing, neutron stars, black holes, dark matter, cosmology

Statistics data analysis, Bayesian inference, Monte Carlo experiments

Education & Profession

2017-present Scientific Staff, Max Planck Institute for Radio Astronomy, Bonn.

In the group "Fundamental Physics in Radio Astronomy" supervised by Michael Kramer

2015–2017 **Junior Scientist**, *Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics (Albert Einstein Institute)*. In the group "Astrophysical and Cosmological Relativity" supervised by Alessandra Buonanno

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2011–2013 **Visiting Scholar**, *Max Planck Institute for Radio Astronomy, Bonn.* Supported by China Scholarship Council (CSC)

2007–2010 **Bachelor of Physics**, *School of Physics*, *Peking University*. Grade-Point Average (GPA): 3.64/4.00

2007–2010 **Double Degree of Economics**, *National School of Development, Peking University*. Grade-Point Average (GPA): 3.30/4.00

Summer 2009 Interchange, Institute of Astronomy, National Tsing Hua University.

Supported by Hui-Chun Chin and Tsung-Dao Lee Chinese Undergraduate Research Endowment

2005–2007 **Electronics**, School of Electronics Engineering and Computer Science, Peking University. Changing Major to Physics in July 2007

Selected Publication

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Tests of local Lorentz invariance violation of gravity in the standard model extension with pulsars.

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New tests of local Lorentz invariance of gravity with small-eccentricity binary pulsars.

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The significant digit law in statistical physics.

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Teaching Experience

Autumn 2013 Teaching Assistant, School of Physics, Peking University.

Quantum Statistical Physics

Autumn 2010 Teaching Assistant, Peking University.

What is Science?

Spring 2010 **Teaching Assistant**, National School of Development, Peking University.

Probability Theory and Statistics

Autumn 2009 **Teaching Assistant**, National School of Development, Peking University.

Linear Algebra (awarded as an Excellent Teaching Assistant)

Summer 2007 Aid Education, Luodian City, Guizhou Province.

Summer 2006 Aid Education, Daning City, Shanxi Province.

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