Yong Gao — Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics (Albert Einstein Institute), Potsdam, Germany

September 2023-Present

Ph.D. candidate, Physics, Peking University, Beijing, China

August 2018-Present

Thesis Advisor: Prof. Lijing Shao

Thesis Title: Probing Structures of Neutron Stars with Gravitational Waves

B.S., Physics, Dalian University of Technology, Dalian, Liaoning Province, China July 2018

Degree conferred with honor.

Senior Dissertation Advisors: Prof. Renxin Xu and Prof. Chong Li

Dissertation Title: The Electron Distributions of Strangelets in the Thomas-Fermi Model

RESEARCH INTERESTS Understanding composition and state of matter inside neutron stars (NSs). Modelling gravitational waves (GWs) from NSs: tidal/spin effects in binary NS and NS-black hole systems, global non-radial oscillations of NSs, mountains on NSs. Studying dynamics and observational consequences of free/forced precession of NSs. Numerical simulations of compact binary mergers involving NSs.

Testing strong-field gravity. Modelling GW waveform from compact binaries and oscillating compact objects beyond general relativity. Constructing timing model and testing gravity with pulsar timing. Studying the structures of rotating, tidally-deformed, and oscillating NSs in alternative theories of gravity. Numerical simulations of compact binaries in alternative theories of gravity.

Honors and Awards

Principal Scholarship, Peking University	2022-2023
Tung Scholarship, Peking University	2021-2022
Merit Student, Peking University	2021-2022
The Second Prize for Oral Presentation, Physics Five Universities	April 2021
Vela Prize for Oral Presentation, FAST/Future Pulsar Symposium 9 $$	August 2020
National Scholarship, Peking University	2019–2020
Excellent Teaching Assistant Award, Peking University	2019–2020
Principal Scholarship, Peking University	2018-2019
Learning Excellence Award (First Prize), Dalian University of Technology	2015-2016

Teaching
EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics

Introductions to the Fundamentals of Neutron Stars

Spring 2025

Teaching Assistant, Peking University

Electrodynamics (B)

Fall 2022

General Physics I, *incl. Mechanics & Electromagnetism

Fall 2021

Theoretical Mechanics (A), Excellent Teaching Assistant Award

Fall 2019

Co-advised STUDENTS

Ph.D. Student, Peking University

Hongbo Li, co-advised with Prof. Lijing Shao and Prof. Renxin Xu Oscillations of neutron stars and gravitational-wave asteroseismology 2021-present

Undergraduate Students, Peking University

Haoyang Qi, co-advised with Prof. Lijing Shao

2021-Present

Constraints on ultralight dark matter with pulsar timing

Huimei Wang, co-advised with Prof. Lijing Shao

2020-2021

Undergraduate Dissertation: The structure of neutron stars with anisotropic pressure

Jingyuan Deng, co-advised with Prof. Lijing Shao

2020-2021

Undergraduate Dissertation: Forced precession of neutron stars

Zexin Hu, co-advised with Prof. Lijing Shao

2020-2021

Scalarized neutron stars in massive scalar-tensor gravity

COMPUTER SKILLS Proficient in MATHEMATICA, Julia, Fortran, Python, and Matlab. Experience in C, Bash, and HPC. Markup languages: LATEX, Markdown.

Code development — Most contributions can be found at https://github.com/GravYong.

Professional ACTIVITIES, OUTREACH, AND SERVICE

KAGRA Collaboration

Member of KAGRA Future Strategy Committee (FSC)

2021-2023

Chair of conference session/group meeting

KAGRA Future Working Group 1st Open Meeting (online)	November 2021
Chair of the Kiaagravity group meeting	2020-2021

Journal referee

Classical and Quantum Gravity (CQG) 2021-Present Research in Astronomy and Astrophysics (RAA) 2021-Present Science China Physics, Mechanics & Astronomy (SCPMA) 2021-Present

Submitted **PUBLICATIONS**

- 26. M. Z. Han, Y. Gao, K. Kiuchi and M. Shibata, Dependence of post-merger properties on the thermal heating efficiency in neutron star mergers, submitted to Phys. Rev. D, [arXiv:2504.08514]
- 25. Y. Gao, K. Hayashi, K. Kiuchi, A. T. L. Lam, H. J. Kuan and M. Shibata, Convective stability analysis of massive neutron stars formed in binary mergers, submitted to Phys. Rev. D, [arXiv:2501.19053]

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- 24. A. T. L. Lam, Y. Gao, H. J. Kuan, M. Shibata, K. Van Aelst and K. Kiuchi, Accessing universal relations of binary neutron star waveforms in massive scalar-tensor theory, Phys. Rev. Lett. 134, 15, 151402 [arXiv:2410.00137]
- 23. Z. Wang, Y. Gao, D. Liang, J. Zhao and L. Shao, Vetting quark-star models with gravitational waves in the hierarchical Bayesian framework, JCAP 11, 038, [arXiv:2409.11103]
- 22. Y. Liu, H. B. Li, Y. Gao, L. Shao, Z. Hu, Effects from dark matter halos on X-ray pulsar pulse profiles, Phys. Rev. D 110, 083018, [arXiv:2408.04425]
- S. C. Chen, Y. Gao, E. P. Zhou, R.-X. Xu, Free energy of anisotropic strangeon stars, Res. Astron. Astrophys. 24, 025005, [arXiv:2305.19687].
- E. P. Zhou, Y. Gao, Y. R. Zhou, X. Y. Lai, L. Shao, W. Y. Wang, S.-L. Xiong, R.-X. Xu, S. X. Yi, H. Yue, Z. Zhang, The precursor of GRB211211A: a tide-induced giant quake?, Res. Astron. Astrophys. 24, 025019, [arXiv:2305.19687]
- G. Yim, Y. Gao, Y. Kang, L. Shao and R. Xu, Continuous gravitational waves from trapped magnetar ejecta and the connection to glitches and antiglitches, Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 527, 2, 2379-2392, [arXiv:2308.01588]
- 18. C. Zhang, Y. Gao, C. J. Xia, R. Xu, Rescaling strange-cluster stars and its implications on gravitational-wave echoes, Phys. Rev. D 108, 6, 063002 [arXiv:2305.13323]
- 17. Y. Kang, C. Liu, J. P. Zhu, Y. Gao, L. Shao, B. Zhang, H. Sun, Y. H. I. Yin and B. B. Zhang, Prospects for detecting neutron star—white dwarf mergers with decihertz gravitational-wave observatories, Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 528, 3, 5309-5322, [arXiv:2309.16991]
- 16. Y. Gao, L. Shao, Jan Steinhoff, A tight universal relation between the shape eccentricity and the moment of inertia for rotating neutron stars, Astrophys. J. 954, 1, 16 [arXiv:2303.14130]
- 15. H.-B. Li, Y. Gao, L. Shao, R.-X. Xu, The g-mode of neutron stars in Pseudo-Newtonian gravity, Phys. Rev. D 108 6, 064005 [arXiv:2302.03856].
- G. Desvignes, P. Weltevrede, Y. Gao, D. I. Jones, M. Kramer, M. Caleb, R. Karuppusamy, L. Levin, K. Liu, A. G. Lyne, L. Shao, B. Stappers, A freely precessing magnetar following an X-ray outburst, Nature Astron. 8, 617-627.
- 13. Y. Gao, L. Shao, G. Desvignes, D. I. Jones, M. Kramer, G. Yim, *Precession of magnetars:* dynamical evolutions and modulations on polarized electromagnetic waves, Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 1, 1080-1097 [arXiv:2211.17087].
- 12. Y. Gao, R. Xu, L. Shao, Precession of spheroids under Lorentz violation and observational consequences for neutron stars, in Proceedings of the Ninth Meeting on CPT and Lorentz Symmetry, published.
- 11. Y. Gao, X.-Y. Lai, L. Shao, R.-X. Xu, (2022) Rotation and deformation of strangeon stars in the Lennard-Jones model, Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 509, 2758 [arXiv:2109.13234].
- Y. Gao, L. Shao, R. Xu, L. Sun, C. Liu, R.-X. Xu, (2020) Triaxially-deformed freely-precessing neutron stars: continuous electromagnetic and gravitational radiation, Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 498, 1826 [arXiv:2007.02528].
- 9. Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2021) Precession of triaxially deformed neutron stars, Astron. Nachr. 342, 364 [arXiv:2011.04472].
- 8. Z. Hu, Y. Gao, R. Xu, L. Shao, (2021) Scalarized neutron stars in massive scalar-tensor gravity: X-ray pulsars and tidal deformability, Phys. Rev. D 104, 104014 [arXiv:2109.13453].
- 7. H.-B. Li, Y. Gao, L. Shao, R.-X. Xu, R. Xu, (2022) Oscillation modes and gravitational waves from strangeon stars, Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 516, 6172 [arXiv:2206.09407].
- 6. R. Xu, Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2022) Neutron stars in massive scalar-Gauss-Bonnet gravity: Spherical structure and time-independent perturbations, Phys. Rev. D 105, 024003 [arXiv:2111.06561].

1. FAST/Future Pulsar Symposium 9

August 2020

- 5. R. Xu, Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2021) Signature of Lorentz violation in continuous gravitational-wave spectra of ellipsoidal neutron stars, Galaxies 9, 12 [arXiv:2101.09431].
- 4. R. Xu, Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2021) Precession of spheroids under Lorentz violation and observational consequences for neutron stars, Phys. Rev. D 103, 084028 [arXiv:2012.01320].
- 3. R. Xu, Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2020) Strong-field effects in massive scalar-tensor gravity for slowly spinning neutron stars and application to X-ray pulsar pulsar pulsa profiles, Phys. Rev. D 102, 064057 [arXiv:2007.10080].
- J. Zhao, L. Shao, Y. Gao, C. Liu, Z. Cao, B.-Q. Ma, (2021) Probing dipole radiation from binary neutron stars with ground-based laser-interferometer and atom-interferometer gravitational-wave observatories, Phys. Rev. D 104, 084008 [arXiv:2106.04883].
- C. Liu, L. Shao, J. Zhao, Y. Gao, (2020) Multiband observation of LIGO/Virgo binary black hole mergers in the gravitational-wave transient catalog GWTC-1, Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 496, 182 [arXiv:2004.12096].

POPULAR SCIENCE ARTICLES

- 3. Y. Gao, L. Shao, R.-X. Xu, (2019) The waltz of a binary neutron star system (an article about GW170817, in Chinese).
- 2. Y. Gao, (2022) The structures of neutron stars (an article about dense matter in neutron stars, in Chinese).
- 1. Y. Gao, L. Shao, (2022) Does Einstein's theory of gravity hold up to the latest LIGO/VIRGO/KAGRA observations? (translated from the English version).

INVITED TALKS

December 2024
September 2022
February 2021
September 2020
October 2020

Contributed Talks

10.	Brainstorming workshop: Deciphering the equation of state using gravi	tational waves from
	astrophysical sources, University of Warsaw, Poland	August 2024.
9.	SKA Pulsar Science Symposium 2022	August 2022
8.	FAST/Future Pulsar Symposium 11	August 2022
7.	Summer Science Day, KIAA, Peking University	July 2022
6.	The 60th Anniversary of X-Ray Astronomy ($online$)	June 2022
5.	Ninth Meeting on CPT and Lorentz Symmetry $(online)$	May 2022
4.	FAST/Future Pulsar Symposium 10	July 2021
3.	Gravitation and Relativistic Astrophysics, Chinese Physical Society	April 2021
2.	Gravitation and Cosmology Symposium	December 2020

References

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