Kevin Lee Moore

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EMPLOYMENT

University of California, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA USA

Postdoctoral Researcher

October 2013 -

- Theoretical Astrophysics at Santa Cruz (TASC) Postdoc working with Pascale Garaud in the Applied Math & Statistics Dept. and Jonathan Fortney in the Astronomy & Astrophysics Dept.
- Research areas: Computational stellar/planetary evolution, mixing and transport processes in stars, detonation physics, asteroseismology

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA USA

Ph.D., Physics, September 2013

• Advisor: Lars Bildsten

• Thesis: Stellar Explosions from Accreting White Dwarfs

Certificate in College and University Teaching, September 2013

M.A., Physics, May 2010

• GPA: 4.0

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY USA

B.A., Physics, June 2007

• With distinction in all subjects, GPA: 3.9

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- S. Valenti, F. Yuan, S. Taubenberger, K. Maguire, A. Pastorello, S. Benetti, S. J. Smartt, E. Cappellaro, D. A. Howell, L. Bildsten, **K. Moore**, M. Stritzinger, J. P. Anderson, S. Benitez-Herrera, F. Bufano, S. Gonzalez-Gaitan, M. G. McCrum, G. Pignata, M. Fraser, A. Gal-Yam, L. Le Guillou, C. Inserra, D. E. Reichart, R. Scalzo, M. Sullivan, O. Yaron, and D. Young. PESSTO monitoring of SN 2012hn: further heterogeneity among faint type I supernovae. 2014. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, Volume 437, Issue 2.
- Moore, K., Townsley, D., and Bildsten, L. The Effects of Curvature and Expansion on Helium Detonations on White Dwarf Surfaces. 2013. *The Astrophysical Journal*. Volume 776, Issue 1.
- Moore, K. and Bildsten, L. Circumstellar Shell Formation in Symbiotic Recurrent Novae. 2012. *The Astrophysical Journal*. Volume 761, Issue 2.
- Dilday, B.; Howell, D. A.; Cenko, S. B.; Silverman, J. M.; Nugent, P. E.; Sullivan, M.; Ben-Ami, S.; Bildsten, L.; Bolte, M.; Endl, M.; Filippenko, A. V.; Gnat, O.; Horesh, A.; Hsiao, E.; Kasliwal, M. M.; Kirkman, D.; Maguire, K.; Marcy, G. W.; Moore, K.; Pan, Y.; Parrent, J. T.; Podsiadlowski, P.; Quimby, R. M.; Sternberg, A.; Suzuki, N.; Tytler, D. R.; Xu, D.; Bloom, J. S.; Gal-Yam, A.; Hook, I. M.; Kulkarni, S. R.; Law, N. M.; Ofek, E. O.; Polishook, D.; and Poznanski, D. PTF 11kx: A Type Ia Supernova with a Symbiotic Nova Progenitor. 2012. *Science*. Volume 337, Issue 6097, Page 942.

Townsley, D.; Moore, K.; and Bildsten, L. Laterally Propagating Detonations in Thin Helium Layers on Accreting White Dwarfs. 2012. *The Astrophysical Journal*. Volume 755, Issue 1.

Bildsten, L.; Paxton, B.; Moore, K.; Macias, P. Acoustic Signatures of the Helium Core Flash. 2012. *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*. Volume 744, Issue 1.

Moore, K. and Bildsten, L. Clearing the Gas from Globular Clusters and Dwarf Spheroidals with Classical Novae. 2011. *The Astrophysical Journal*. Volume 728, Issue 2, Page 81.

AWARDS

University of California, Santa Barbara

- Worster Fellowship 2011
- John Cardy Award (highest grades in first-year courses) 2008
- Hanan Baddar Graduate Fellowship 2008

INVITED TALKS

2014 - Hebrew University of Jerusalem - $\it Helium\ Shell\ Detonations\ from\ Accreting\ White\ Dwarfs$

2013 - University of California, Santa Cruz - $\it Quenching Surface Helium Detonations$ on $\it White Dwarfs$

2012 - University of Alabama - $Quenching\ Surface\ Helium\ Detonations\ on\ White\ Dwarfs$

2012 - Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History - Exploding Stars and Other Things That Go Boom in the Night (public lecture)

Contributed Talks

Observational Signatures of Type Ia Supernova Progenitors II

• 2013 - Outcomes of Helium Shell Detonations

Theoretical Astrophysics in Southern California (TASC) Meetings

- 2012 Quenching Helium Detonations on White Dwarfs
- 2011 Observational Signatures of the Helium Core Flash
- 2010 Helium Detonations on White Dwarfs
- 2009 Hydrodynamic Helium Burning Events
- 2008 Clearing the Gas from Globular Clusters with Novae

Palomar Transient Factory (PTF) Meetings

- 2013 Expansive Effects in Laterally Propagating Helium Detonations
- 2012 Shell Formation in Symbiotic Systems
- 2010 Laterally Propagating Helium Detonations

Nova Workshop - Caltech (2012)

• Novae and Supernovae in Symbiotic Systems

Fireworks Conference - Caltech (2011)

• New Results for Helium Detonations: Speeds and Nucleosynthesis

POSTERS

Wild Stars Conference - U. Arizona (2009)

• Clearing the Gas from Globular Clusters with Novae

Workshops Attended

Institute for Science and Engineer Educators, UCSC Santa Cruz, CA

Inquiry Institute (Monterey, CA)

March 2014

• Intensive 4-day workshop on teaching STEM topics through inquiry

Design Institute (Santa Cruz, CA)

April 2014

• 3-day workshop on designing inquiry activities in STEM University of California, Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara, CA

MESA Summer School

August 2013

• Served as a 'Super TA' for the second weeklong workshop on the MESA stellar evolution code

MESA Summer School

August 2012

• Attended (and TA'd for) the first weeklong workshop on the MESA stellar evolution code

Summer Teaching Institute for Associates (STIA)

June 2011

• Attended weeklong workshop on effective teaching strategies in preparation for teaching my own course in the Summer 2011 term

Workshops Given

Hebrew University of Jerusalem - Jerusalem, Israel

MESA Bootcamp

January 2014

• Gave 2-day workshop on using MESA for beginners - targeted to grad students, postdocs, and professors (~ 15 participants)

Pomona College - Claremont, CA

MESA Bootcamp

January 2013

• Gave daylong workshop on using MESA for undergrads taking stellar evolution (~ 8 participants)

California Institute of Technology - Pasadena, CA

MESA Bootcamp

September 2012

• Gave daylong workshop on using MESA for beginners - targeted to grad students, postdocs, and professors (~ 15 participants)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Santa Barbara - Santa Barbara, CA

Instructor - UCSB

August - September 2011

- Taught calculus-based intro physics course (Phys 2) during summer session as the instructor of record
- Used research-based interactive engagement strategies during class (discussions, interactive demos, etc.)

Instructor - School for Scientific Thought

September - October 2010

- Designed and taught course on relativity for high school students from Santa Barbara area (weekly 2 hr classes, lunch with students afterwards)
- Visited local high schools to pitch course to students
- Helped train future instructors for SST in later years

 $Teaching\ Assistant$

- Phys 232 Stellar Evolution (graduate)
 - Winter 2012, ~ 15 students
 - Wrote assignments integrating computational stellar evolution activities using MESA into weekly homeworks, advised students during individual final projects using MESA.

- Phys 120 Physics of California
 - Fall 2009, ~ 15 students
 - Graded homeworks & exams, and held office hours (3 hr/wk)
- Phys 215A&B Quantum Mechanics (graduate)
 - Fall 2008 & Winter 2009, ~ 30 students each term
 - Graded homeworks & exams and held office hours (3 hr/wk)
- Phys 131 Intro to General Relativity
 - Spring 2008, ~ 10 students
 - Graded homeworks & exams and held office hours (3 hr/wk)
- Astro 1 Intro to Astronomy
 - Fall 2007 & Winter 2008, ~ 300 students each term
 - Taught three weekly sections, graded homeworks & exams, and held office hours (3 hr/wk)

Private Tutor

November 2010 - October 2013

• Tutor students (typically in high school & college) in math, physics, and computer science classes (~ 2 hr/wk).

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Course consultant - CS 100

September 2004 - May 2006

- ~ 300 students each semester
- Held weekly office hours, graded exams & weekly assignments, and co-taught (with TA) weekly lab sections.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Graduate Assistant Coordinator - CSEP

January - September 2013

- Served as an advisor to undergraduates in summer research internship programs EUREKA & UC LEADS and their mentors.
- Duties included interviewing program candidates, helping students find research groups, organizing professional development seminars.

Astrobites

• Writing glossaries (star types & outburst classification) for astro-ph digest website, www.astrobites.com

Santa Barbara Astronomical Unit

- Gave a talk on supernovae targeted at local amateur astronomers
- Participated in star parties to help familiarize the public with astronomy
- Visited local primary/secondary schools to introduce astronomy and talk about careers in science

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Fortran, Ruby, Python, C++, Java, Mathematica, Modules for Experiments in Stellar Astrophysics (MESA), Tioga (plotting), FLASH (hydro), yt(visualization)
- Experience compiling and running software on the Hyades supercomputer at UCSC, Triton supercomputer at the San Diego Supercomputing Center, as well as various XSEDE machines (Kraken, Lonestar).

Languages

English - native

Japanese - intermediate