Joshua B. Hill

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Research Interests

Topics: Cosmology, Galaxy Formation, Galaxy-Halo Connection, Large Scale Structure, Dark Matter, Exoplanets, Astrometry.

Methods: Theoretical Modeling, Numerical Simulations, Machine Learning.

Education

University of Utah • B.S., Physics with a Concentration in Astronomy and Astrophysics & Mathematics Minor • Spring 2024

Honors and Awards

- Undergraduate Research Scholar Spring 2024
- Paul Gilbert Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award in Astronomy and Astrophysics
 Spring 2023
- Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) Spring 2022 and Fall 2022

Publications

- Joshua B. Hill; Yao-Yuan Mao, 2024, Explaining the Relationship Between Galaxy Sizes and their Spatial Distribution, in prep
- Marc L. Whiting*; Joshua B. Hill*; Benjamin Bromley; Scott Kenyon, 2023, A Catalog of Nearby Accelerating Star Candidates in Gaia DR3, Astronomical Journal, 14 pages, 6 figures, 3 tables. Catalog available with publication; doi:10.3847/1538-3881/acc526
 - *Co-First Authors

Technical Skills

Coding languages and packages: Python, NumPy, Matplotlib, Pandas, database query (SQL), astropy, Scikit-learn, Maple, Latex

Relevant Courses Taken

Notable upper-division and graduate cources I got an A in:

- Physics 3730, Computing in Physics I, Statistics, Linux command line, Python, Latex, Maple
- Physics 4410, Classical Physics I, Stephan T. Thornton and Jerry B. Marion, Classical Dynamics of Particles and Systems, fifth edition
- Physics 4420, Classical Physics II, David J. Griffiths, Introduction to Electrodynamics, fourth edition
- Physics 4080, Cosmology, Barbara Ryden, Introduction to cosmology, second edition
- Physics 4090, Stellar Astrophysics, O. R. Pols, Stellar Structure and Evolution
- Physics 4760, Thermal and Statistical Physics, Daniel V. Schroeder, An Introduction to Thermal Physics
- Physics 5210, Gravitation, James B. Hartle, Gravity
- Math 5010, Probability, David F. Anderson, Timo Seppölöinen, and Benedeck Valkó, Introduction to Probability
- Physics 5570, Galaxies, Peter Schneider, Extragalactic Astronomy and Cosmology, second edition

Appointments and Research Experience

Undergraduate Research Student ● Yao-Yuan Mao, University of Utah ● Summer 2023 to Fall 2024

 Understanding a model that predict how Dark Matter Halos determine the half-light radius of galaxies.

Undergraduate Research Student ullet Ben Bromley, University of Utah ullet Spring 2022 to Spring 2023

Used machine learning methods to create a catalog of accelerating stars. Collaboration was vital for the completion of this project.

Conferences

- Attendee Dark, Hot, Warm, and Fuzzy Matter In Space and Time (DHWFEST) at University of Utah • July 2024
- Speaker Undergraduate Research Symposium April 2024
- Poster Presenter ◆ Center for Science and Mathematics Education (CSME) Symposium at University of Utah ◆ April 2023
- Speaker Utah Conference on Undergraduate Research, Contributed February 2023

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant • University of Utah, • Fall 2024

 Physics 3010, Intermediate Mechanics, John R. Taylor, Classical Mechanics, Graded Homework, Quizzes, and Labs, facilitate small group discussions, and hold office hours.

Learning Assistant ● University of Utah ● Spring 2023 and Spring 2024

 Physics 3010, Intermediate Mechanics, John R. Taylor, Classical Mechanics, Facilitate small group discussions, and hold office hours.

Learning Assistant • University of Utah • Fall 2023

 Astro 3070, Introduction to Astrophysics, Barbara Ryden and Bradly M. Peterson, Introduction to Astrophysics, Facilitate small group discussions, and hold office hours.