

# LAYA GHODSI

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## EDUCATION

<b>University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada</b> Ph.D. in Astronomy. Supervisor: Prof. Allison Man. Overall GPA: 85/100	2021 – Present
<b>Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran</b> M.Sc. in Physics. Supervisor: Prof. Shant Baghran. Overall GPA: 17.45/20	2018 – 2020
<b>Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran</b> B.Sc. in Physics. Supervisor: Prof. Shant Baghran. Overall GPA: 17.21/20	2014 – 2018

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Galaxy Evolution • Galaxy Clusters • Star Formation • Circumgalactic Medium • Radio Astronomy

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<b>University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada</b> Ph.D. Thesis Project: “ <i>Joint ALMA+JWST analysis of the circumgalactic medium of MACS1931-26</i> ”. Supervisor: Prof. Allison Man	Mar. 2024 – present
<b>University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada</b> Ph.D. Thesis Project: “ <i>Cold molecular gas in high redshift galaxy protoclusters</i> ”. Supervisor: Prof. Allison Man	Feb. 2024 – Present
<b>European Southern Observatory, Garching bei Munchen, Germany</b> Ph.D. Thesis Project: “ <i>Excited gas in the circumgalactic medium of the MACS1931-26 cluster</i> ”. Supervisors: Dr. Paola Andreani, Dr. Carlos De Breuck, Prof. Allison Man	Nov. 2022 – Feb. 2024
<b>University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada</b> Ph.D. Thesis Project: “ <i>Star formation efficiency across galaxy environments</i> ”, Supervisor: Prof. Allison Man	Jan. 2021 – Oct. 2022
<b>Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran</b> M.Sc. Thesis Project: “ <i>New probes for the spatial distribution of galaxy groups in SDSS</i> ”. Supervisor: Prof. Shant Baghran	Sep. 2019 – Feb. 2021
<b>Max Planck Institute for Astronomy, Heidelberg, Germany</b> Remote Internship Project: “ <i>Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamic (SPH) simulation in galaxy evolution</i> ”. Supervisor: Dr. Karan Molaverdikhani	Jul. 2020 – Dec. 2020
<b>Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran</b> Machine Learning Course Capstone Project: “ <i>From the distribution of dark matter to the distribution of galaxies</i> ”. Supervisors: Prof. Sadegh Raeisi, Prof. Shant Baghran	Feb. 2019 – Jun. 2019
<b>Institute For Research in Fundamental Sciences, IPM, Tehran, Iran</b> B.Sc. Thesis Project: “ <i>Relationship between the environment density and the age of galaxy groups</i> ”. Supervisor: Dr. Mojtaba Raouf. Co-Supervisor: Prof. Shant Baghran, Prof. Habib Khosroshahi	Sep. 2017 – Sep. 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

- L. Ghodsi, A. Man, D. Donevski, R. Davé, S. Lim, C. C. Lovel, D. Narayanan, “*Star formation efficiency across galactic environments*”, MNRAS, 528, 4393.
- L. Ghodsi, P. Andreani, C. De Breuck, A. Man, P. Papadopoulos, Y. Miyamoto, J. Zhou, Z. Zhang, “*Excited gas in the CircumGalactic Medium of the MACS1931-26 cluster at  $z=0.35$* ”, 10.48550/arXiv.2406.09552.
- H. Hao Tse Huang, A. Man, L. Ghodsi, et al., “*ALMA [CI] and CO observations of PKS 0529-549*”, in prep.
- M. AnsariFard, Z. Baghkhan, L. Ghodsi, S. Taamoli, F. Hassani, S. Baghran, “*Structure of cosmic web in non-linear regime: the nearest neighbour and spherical contact distributions*”, MNRAS, 512, 5164.

## PRESENTATIONS

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<b>“Recipes to Regulate Star Formation at All Scales” conference</b> Contributed talk, Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI), Baltimore, USA.	Apr. 2024
<b>“A journey through galactic environments” conference</b> Two posters, Porto Ercole, Italy.	Sep. 2023
<b>“First structures in the Universe” workshop</b> Contributed talk, Paris, France.	Sep. 2023
<b>“Olympian symposium 2023: Star formation in the era of JWST” conference</b> Poster, Paralia Katerini, Greece.	Jun. 2023
<b>“Science with APEX” meeting</b> Contributed talk, Ringberg, Germany.	Jan. 2023
<b>“XXXI International Astronomical Union General Assembly (IAU GA 2022)”</b> Contributed e-talk, Busan, South Korea.	Aug. 2022
<b>“Canadian Astronomical Society Annual General Meeting (CASCA AGM 2022)”</b> Contributed talk, University of Waterloo, Canada.	May. 2022
<b>“Galaxy Clusters 2022: Challenging Our Cosmological Perspectives” Symposium</b> Poster, Space Telescope Science Institute, Baltimore, USA.	Apr. 2022
<b>“UBC Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition”</b> Talk, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.	Mar. 2022, Feb 2024
<b>“VanCosmos” joint cosmology meeting</b> Talk, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada.	Dec. 2021

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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<b>ESO studentship program one year fellowship.</b> European Southern Observatory, Germany.	2022 - 2023
<b>Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (4YF)</b> University of British Columbia, Canada.	2022 - 2025
<b>“XXXI International Astronomical Union General Assembly” travel grant.</b> International Astronomical Union.	2022
<b>“Advancing Theoretical Astrophysics” summer school travel grant.</b> University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.	2019
<b>Rank 25 in the national Physics M.Sc. university entrance exam.</b> Iran	2018

## SUCCESSFUL PROPOSALS FOR TELESCOPE TIME

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<b>JWST/MIRI</b> , 4.31 h, PI: A. Man, Co-PI: P. Andreani, <b>L. Ghodsi</b> , “Direct detection of molecular gas reservoir in the circumgalactic medium of a brightest cluster galaxy”.
<b>ALMA</b> , project IDs: 2021.2.00019.S and 2023.1.01154.S, PI: A. Man, “Large-scale starburst activity in the Early Universe: Locating the fuel”.
<b>Gemini/Flamingos2</b> , 8.35 h, PI: A.Man, “Characterizing the Mpc-scale environment of a massive, radio galaxy at $z=2.6$ ”.
<b>IRAM/NOEMA</b> , 22.8 h, PI: D. Donevski, “ <i>Dusty galaxies as signposts for distant protocluster cores at <math>z&gt;3-4</math></i> ”.
<b>JCMT/SCUBA-2</b> , 10.66 h, PI: T. Bakx, “ <i>Dusty galaxies as signpost for distant proto-clusters at <math>z\sim 3-4</math></i> ”.
<b>CFHT/MegaCam</b> , 10 h, PI: S. Arnouts, “ <i>DEUS : Deep Euclid U band Survey</i> ”.

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND SCHOOLS

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<b>“6th Netherlands ALMA Science Day”</b> ALMA regional center (Allegro), Netherlands.	Dec. 2022
<b>“18th NRAO Synthesis Imaging Workshop”</b> NRAO, Socorro, New Mexico, USA.	May. 2022
<b>“Galaxy Clusters 2022: Challenging Our Cosmological Perspectives” Symposium</b> Space Telescope Science Institute, STScI, Baltimore, USA.	Apr. 2022
<b>“Formation and Evolution of Galaxy Clusters Across Cosmic Time” winter school</b> Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias, IAC, Tenerife, Spain	Nov. 2021
<b>“WestGrid Training Modules 2021”: Compute Canada Cloud</b> Introduction to Compute Canada cloud and Docker	Jun. 2021
<b>ALMA Proposal Planning Training Sessions</b> “ALMA Cycle 8 2021 Community Days and Proposal Planning Events”	Mar. - Apr. 2021
<b>“KROME BOOTCAMP 2021” astrochemistry school</b> Online winter school on astrochemistry	Feb. 2021
<b>“Advancing Theoretical Astrophysics” summer school</b> University of Amsterdam, Netherlands	Jul. 2019
<b>Young Scholars Club summer school</b> Young Scholars Club, Tehran, Iran Preparation course for the national student Olympiads on Astronomy and Astrophysics.	Jun. 2013 – Sep. 2013

## ACADEMIC SERVICES

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<b>“ESO galaxy evolution coffee”</b> Co-organizer. European Southern Observatory, Garching bei München, Germany.	Sep. 2023 – Oct. 2023
<b>“ESO artificial intelligence forum”</b> Co-organizer. European Southern Observatory, Garching bei München, Germany.	Apr. 2023 – Oct. 2023
<b>“West Coast Galaxy Journal club”</b> Co-founder and co-organizer of the joint UBC/UVic journal club on galaxies. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.	Jan. 2022 – Present
<b>“UBC extragalactic group meetings”</b> Co-facilitator of the UBC extragalactic weekly group meetings. University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada.	Jan. 2021 – Present
<b>“Cosmic web formation and evolution” workshop</b> Co-organizer. Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran.	Aug. 2020

## COURSEWORK

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<b>Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran</b> <i>Graduate level:</i> Introduction to Astrophysics, Advanced Cosmology, General Relativity, Applications of Machine Learning in Physics. <i>Undergraduate level:</i> Introduction to Astronomy, Introduction to Cosmology, Special Relativity, Analytical Mechanics, Orbital Mechanics, Introduction to Computer Programming.	2014 – 2020
<b>University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada</b> <i>Graduate level:</i> Observational Astronomy, Galactic Astrophysics.	Sep. 2021 - Apr. 2022

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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**General Coding:** Python, C, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Tensorflow, Matlab.

**Astronomical Data Analysis:** CASA, CARTA, GILDAS/CLASS, SAOImageDS9, Astropy, Specutils, RADEX.

**Astronomical Simulation Code:** Phantom, Enzo, Dice.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada**

Jan. 2024 – Apr 2024

Teaching assistant for undergrad course: “*Thermal Physics*”. Supervisor: Prof. Steven Plotkin.

**University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada**

Jan. 2022 – Apr. 2022

Teaching assistant for undergrad course: “*Thermal Physics*”. Supervisor: Prof. Joanna Karczarek.

**University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada**

Sep. 2021 – Dec. 2021

Teaching assistant for undergrad course: “*Introduction to Solar System*”. Supervisor: Dr. Joshua Hellemeier.

## REFERENCES

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