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PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Ph.D. in Physics

University of Pittsburgh, PA, U.S.A.

expected April 2022

GPA: 3.816/4.0

M.S. in Physics

Chongqing University, Chongqing, China

June 2016

SKILLS

Programming Language: C/C++, Fortran, Python, Shell script

Handy Programs: Mathematica, Matlab, L^AT_EX, Excel, Powerpoint, Linux (OS)

HEP Packages: Madgraph, Pythia, FeynRules, FeynArts, FeynCalc, FormCalc, WHIZARD, ManeParse

POSITION HELD

Arts & Sciences Pre-Doctoral Fellow

Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences, University of Pittsburgh

Sep. 2020 - present

Graduate Research Assistant

Dept. Physics & Astronomy, University of Pittsburgh

Jan. 2020 - Aug. 2020

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Dept. Physics & Astronomy, University of Pittsburgh

Sep. 2016 - Jan. 2020

AWARDS AND HONORS

Thomas-Lain Scholarship

Dept. Physics & Astronomy, University of Pittsburgh

Apr. 2021

FGSA Award for Excellence in Graduate Research

American Physical Society (APS)

Feb. 2021

Arts & Sciences Graduate Fellowship

Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences, University of Pittsburgh

Sep. 2020

Pitt Physics and Astronomy China Initiative (PACI) Scholarship

Dept. Physics & Astronomy, University of Pittsburgh

Sep. 2016

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

American Physical Society (APS) member

Mar. 2021 - present

Organization of Chinese Physics & Astrophysics (OCPA) member

Sep. 2021 - present

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) member

Sep. 2021 - present

PUBLICATIONS

1. T. Han, W. Kilian, N. Kreher, Y. Ma, J. Reuter, T. Striegl et al., *Precision Test of the Muon-Higgs Coupling at a High-energy Muon Collider*, [2108.05362](#).
2. D. Buarque et al., *Vector Boson Scattering Processes: Status and Prospects*, [2106.01393](#).
3. T. Han, Y. Ma and K. Xie, *Quark and Gluon Contents of a Lepton at High Energies*, [2103.09844](#).
4. T. Han, Y. Ma and K. Xie, *High energy leptonic collisions and electroweak parton distribution functions*, *Phys. Rev. D* **103** (2021) L031301 [[2007.14300](#)].
5. Z. Sun and Y. Ma, *Inclusive productions of $\Upsilon(1S, 2S, 3S)$ and $\chi_b(1P, 2P, 3P)$ via the Higgs boson decay*, *Phys. Rev. D* **100** (2019) 094019 [[1909.08548](#)].
6. Z. Sun, X.-G. Wu, Y. Ma and S. J. Brodsky, *Exclusive production of $J/\psi + \eta_c$ at the B factories Belle and Babar using the principle of maximum conformality*, *Phys. Rev. D* **98** (2018) 094001 [[1807.04503](#)].
7. Y. Ma and X.-G. Wu, *Renormalization scheme dependence of high-order perturbative QCD predictions*, *Phys. Rev. D* **97** (2018) 036024 [[1707.09886](#)].
8. J.-M. Shen, X.-G. Wu, Y. Ma and S. J. Brodsky, *The Generalized Scheme-Independent Crewther Relation in QCD*, *Phys. Lett. B* **770** (2017) 494 [[1611.07249](#)].
9. H.-Y. Bi, X.-G. Wu, Y. Ma, H.-H. Ma, S. J. Brodsky and M. Mojaza, *Degeneracy Relations in QCD and the Equivalence of Two Systematic All-Orders Methods for Setting the Renormalization Scale*, *Phys. Lett. B* **748** (2015) 13 [[1505.04958](#)].
10. H.-H. Ma, X.-G. Wu, Y. Ma, S. J. Brodsky and M. Mojaza, *Setting the renormalization scale in perturbative QCD: Comparisons of the principle of maximum conformality with the sequential extended Brodsky-Lepage-Mackenzie approach*, *Phys. Rev. D* **91** (2015) 094028 [[1504.01260](#)].
11. Y. Ma, X.-G. Wu, H.-H. Ma and H.-Y. Han, *General Properties on Applying the Principle of Minimum Sensitivity to High-order Perturbative QCD Predictions*, *Phys. Rev. D* **91** (2015) 034006 [[1412.8514](#)].
12. H.-B. Fu, X.-G. Wu and Y. Ma, *$B \rightarrow K^*$ Transition Form Factors and the Semi-leptonic Decay $B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^-$* , *J. Phys. G* **43** (2016) 015002 [[1411.6423](#)].
13. H.-B. Fu, X.-G. Wu, H.-Y. Han, Y. Ma and H.-Y. Bi, *The ρ -meson longitudinal leading-twist distribution amplitude*, *Phys. Lett. B* **738** (2014) 228 [[1409.3053](#)].
14. G. Chen, X.-G. Wu, Z. Sun, Y. Ma and H.-B. Fu, *Photoproduction of doubly heavy baryon at the ILC*, *JHEP* **12** (2014) 018 [[1408.4615](#)].
15. H.-B. Fu, X.-G. Wu, H.-Y. Han and Y. Ma, *$B \rightarrow \rho$ transition form factors and the ρ -meson transverse leading-twist distribution amplitude*, *J. Phys. G* **42** (2015) 055002 [[1406.3892](#)].
16. X.-G. Wu, Y. Ma, S.-Q. Wang, H.-B. Fu, H.-H. Ma, S. J. Brodsky et al., *Renormalization Group Invariance and Optimal QCD Renormalization Scale-Setting*, *Rept. Prog. Phys.* **78** (2015) 126201 [[1405.3196](#)].
17. S.-Q. Wang, X.-G. Wu, J.-M. Shen, H.-Y. Han and Y. Ma, *QCD improved electroweak parameter ρ* , *Phys. Rev. D* **89** (2014) 116001 [[1402.0975](#)].
18. Z. Sun, X.-G. Wu, G. Chen, Y. Ma, H.-H. Ma and H.-Y. Bi, *Bottomonium production associated with a photon at a high luminosity e^+e^- collider with the one-loop QCD correction*, *Phys. Rev. D* **89** (2014) 074035 [[1401.2735](#)].

19. H.-B. Fu, X.-G. Wu, H.-Y. Han, Y. Ma and T. Zhong, $|V_{cb}|$ from the semileptonic decay $B \rightarrow D\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell$ and the properties of the D meson distribution amplitude, *Nucl. Phys. B* **884** (2014) 172 [[1309.5723](#)].

SEMINAR AND COLLOQUIUM

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| 1. <i>Multi-boson production and the muon Yukawa coupling</i>
(Scheduled) HEP Seminar, University of Utah | Oct. 2021 |
| 2. <i>Multi-boson production and the muon Yukawa coupling</i>
PITT PACC Group Seminar, University of Pittsburgh | Sep. 2021 |
| 3. <i>Parton contents of a lepton at high energies</i>
(Remote) Particle Theory Seminar, Carleton University | May 2021 |
| 4. <i>The partonic picture at high-energy lepton colliders</i>
(Remote) SLAC EPP Theory Seminar, SLAC | Apr. 2021 |
| 5. <i>The partonic picture at high-energy lepton colliders</i>
(Remote) Particle Theory Seminar, Shandong University | Apr. 2021 |
| 6. <i>Parton contents of a lepton at high energies</i>
(Remote) HEP Seminar, Oklahoma State University | Apr. 2021 |
| 7. <i>QCD jet production at high energy lepton colliders</i>
(Remote) PITT PACC Group Seminar, University of Pittsburgh | Mar. 2021 |
| 8. <i>High energy lepton collisions and electroweak PDFs</i>
(Remote) Particle Theory Seminar, Carleton University | Oct. 2020 |
| 9. <i>High energy lepton collisions and electroweak PDFs</i>
(Remote) PITT PACC Group Seminar, University of Pittsburgh | Sep. 2020 |
| 10. <i>How much do we need polarized PDFs?</i>
PITT PACC Group Seminar, University of Pittsburgh | Oct. 2019 |
| 11. <i>Renormalization scheme uncertainties in high order perturbative QCD results</i>
PITT PACC Group Seminar, University of Pittsburgh | Mar. 2019 |

CONFERENCE TALKS

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| 1. <i>Higgs boson decay to J/ψ via c-quark fragmentation</i>
(Scheduled) Parallel talk at Higgs 2021 Conference, Stony Brook University | Oct. 2021 |
| 2. <i>The partonic picture at high-energy lepton colliders</i>
(Remote) Parallel talk at SUSY 2021, Shanghai | Aug. 2021 |
| 3. <i>QCD jet production at a high energy muon collider</i>
(Remote) Parallel talk at EPS-HEP 2021, DESY | Jul. 2021 |
| 4. <i>Quark and gluon contents of a lepton at high energies</i>
(Remote) Parallel talk at the DPF meeting, Florida State University | Jul. 2021 |
| 5. <i>Quark and gluon contents of a lepton at high energies</i>
(Remote) Parallel talk at Pheno 2021, University of Pittsburgh | May 2021 |
| 6. <i>The partonic picture at high-energy lepton colliders</i>
(Remote) Parallel talk at PPC 2021, University of Oklahoma | May 2021 |

7. *Electroweak parton distribution functions at a high-energy muon collider*
(Remote) Parallel talk at APS April Meeting, Muon Collider Symposium IV Apr. 2021
8. *QCD jet production at a high energy muon collider*
(Remote) Talk at Muon Collider Physics and Simulation Meeting, CERN Mar. 2021
9. *The electroweak parton distribution functions - Necessity and application*
(Remote) Student talk at Theoretical Advanced Study Institute (TASI 2020) Jun. 2020
10. *The electroweak parton distribution functions*
(Remote) Parallel talk at Pheno 2020, University of Pittsburgh May 2020
11. *QCD Scale-setting problem in Future Chinese Collider physics*
Parallel talk at CEPC-SppC Study Group Meeting, IHEP, Beijing Sep. 2015

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

1. The XXVIII International Conference on Supersymmetry and Unification of Fundamental Interactions (SUSY 2021), Shanghai (remote) Aug. 2021
2. European Physical Society Conference on High Energy Physics 2021 (EPS-HEP 2021)
DESY (remote) Jul. 2021
3. 2021 Meeting of the Division of Particles and Fields of the APS (DPF21)
Florida State University (remote) Jul. 2021
4. Phenomenology Symposium 2021 (Pheno 2021)
University of Pittsburgh (remote) May 2021
5. XIV International Workshop on Interconnections between Particle Physics and Cosmology (PPC 2021), University of Oklahoma (remote) May 2021
6. APS April Meeting (remote) Apr. 2021
7. Muon Collider Physics and Simulation Meeting (remote) Mar. 2021
8. PITT PACC Workshop: Muon collider physics
University of Pittsburgh (remote) Nov. 2020
9. Phenomenology Symposium 2020 (Pheno 2020)
University of Pittsburgh (remote) May 2020
10. Phenomenology Symposium 2020 (Pheno 2019)
University of Pittsburgh May 2019
11. PITT PACC Workshop: BSM circa 2020
University of Pittsburgh Mar. 2019
12. Phenomenology Symposium 2020 (Pheno 2018)
University of Pittsburgh May 2018
13. Phenomenology Symposium 2020 (Pheno 2017)
University of Pittsburgh May 2017
14. The CEPC-SppC Study Group Meeting
Institute of High Energy Physics (IHEP), Beijing Sep. 2015

SUMMER SCHOOLS ATTENDED

1. **SSI 2020**, SLAC Aug. 2021
49th SLAC SUMMER INSTITUTE: The Higgs State Fair

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| 2. HCPSS 2020 , Fermilab
<i>15th annual Fermilab-CERN Hadron Collider Physics Summer School</i> | Aug. 2020 |
| 3. TASI 2020 , University of Colorado Boulder
<i>The Obscure Universe: Neutrinos and Other Dark Matters</i> | Jun. 2020 |
| 4. CTEQ 2019 , University of Pittsburgh
<i>CTEQ School on QCD and Electroweak Phenomenology</i> | Jul. 2019 |
| 5. CTEQ 2017 , University of Pittsburgh
<i>CTEQ School on QCD and Electroweak Phenomenology</i> | Jul. 2017 |

REFEREE SERVICE

- European Physical Journal C (EPJC) $\times 1$

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant at the University of Pittsburgh

1. PHYS 0219 - *Basic Laboratory Physics for Science and Engineering*
Fall 2016, Spring 2017, and Fall 2018
2. PHYS 0212 - *Introduction to Laboratory Physics*
Fall 2017, Spring 2018, and Summer 2018
3. PHYS 0110 - *Introduction to Physics 1*, Summer 2018
Covers Mechanics, Heat and Thermodynamics, and Waves
4. PHYS 0111 - *Introduction to Physics 2*, Summer 2017
Covers Thermodynamics, Electromagnetism, Optics, Special Relativity, and Quantum Physics
5. PHYS 0175 - *Basic Physics, Science and Engineering 2*, Spring 2019 and Summer 2021
Covers Electromagnetism, Elementary Quantum Mechanics, and Atomic Structure

Teaching Assistant at Chongqing University

1. College Physics I - *Classical Mechanics and Electromagnetism*, Spring 2014
2. College Physics II - *Thermodynamics, Optics and Special Relativity*, Fall 2013

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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| 1. Dept. Physics & Astronomy Graduate Student Mentor
Mentoring three first year graduate student | Aug. 2021 - present |
| 2. Assist to guide one visiting graduate student
(<i>publication in prep.</i>) | Dec. 2019 - Dec. 2020 |
| 3. Assist to guide one visiting undergraduate student | Jun. 2019 - Aug. 2019 |