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RESEARCH INTERESTS

**EDUCATION** 

Gravitational Lensing, Observational Cosmology

### University of California, Los Angeles, USA

Ph.D. Candidate, Astronomy, March 2017 (expected graduation date: June 2020)

• Dissertation Topic: "Mapping the expansion history of the Universe with strong-lensing time-delays"

• Advisor: Prof. Tommaso Treu M.S., Astronomy, June 2016

• Advisor: Prof. Edward L. Wright

### The University of Tokyo, Japan

B.S., Physics, March 2014

# Honors and Awards

Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA, 2019-2020, \$20,000

Graduate Student Travel Stipend, MIAPP, 2018,  $\leq 500$  Graduate Student Travel Grant, UCLA, 2017, \$2000

 ${\bf Graduate\ Division\ Fellowship},\ {\tt UCLA},\ 2014\text{-}2015,\ \$18,\!000$ 

MEXT<sup>1</sup> Scholarship, 2009-2014 (equivalent to \$92,000)

### Publication Statistics

13 total refereed/under-review papers. **4 first-author and 1 single-author** papers (4 refereed, 1 under-review). **8 co-authored** papers (6 refereed, 2 under-review). Publication list at the end.

### SEMINAR TALKS

- 1. Astrophysics seminar, University of California, Irvine, USA, October 2019.
- 2. Thursday lunch seminar, Princeton University, New Jersey, USA, October 2019.
- 3. Galaxy lunch talk, Yale University, Connecticut, USA, October 2019.
- 4. Galaxies and Cosmology Seminar, Center for Astrophysics, Harvard & Smithsonian, Massachusetts, USA, October 2019.
- 5. Galaxy journal club, STScI, Maryland, USA, October 2019.
- 6. Particle Astrophysics Seminar, Fermilab, Illinois, USA, October 2019.
- 7. Lunch talk, Carnegie Observatories, California, USA, September 2019.
- 8. Astronomy seminar. University of California, Riverside, USA, May 2019.
- 9. MPA Lensing Group Seminar, Munich, Germany, June 2018 (invited).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Government of Japan

### Contributed Talks

- 1. Non-Standard Cosmology Probes, Aspen Center of Physics, Colorado, USA, August 2019.
- 2. Tensions between the Early and the Late Universe. Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics, UCSB, USA, July 2019.
- 3. Keck Science Meeting. Caltech, USA, September 2018.
- 4. Extragalactic distance scale in the GAIA era, MIAPP workshop. Munich, Germany, June 2018.
- 5. Shedding Light on the Dark Universe with Extremely Large Telescopes. UCLA, USA, April
- 6. Strong Lensing by Galaxies and Clusters. Aosta, Italy, June 2017.

### Poster PRESENTATION

- 1. Cosmic Controversies. Kavli Institute for Cosmological Physics, University of Chicago, USA, October 2019.
- 2. Tensions between the Early and the Late Universe. Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics, UCSB, USA, August 2019.

# Approved Observing Proposals (CoI)

- 1. Hubble Space Telescope GO-15652 (2018). PI: Treu.  $H_0$ , the stellar initial mass function, and other dark matters from a large sample of quadruply imaged quasars.
- 2. 2-m Himalayan Chandra Telescope (2018). PI: Courbin. Photometric monitoring of the quadruply lensed quasar PSOJ0147+4630.
- 3. Very Large Telescope, MUSE NFM Science Verification (2018, 103A). PI: Zanella. From cosmology to star-forming regions: two compelling cases for MUSE NFM.
- 4. Keck U053(2017A), U032(2017B), U011(2018A), U011(2018B), U029(2019A), U065(2019B). PI: Treu. Dark energy with gravitational time-delay: OSIRIS spectroscopy of lensing galaxies.

# Approved Computing Proposals (Co-PI)

1. XSEDE Startup Allocation, 200,000 CPU hours (TG-AST190038, 2019). PI: Treu. Highlydetailed strong-gravitational lens modeling to measure the Hubble constant.

### Workshops

- 1. Non-Standard Cosmology Probes, Aspen Center of Physics, Colorado, USA, August-September 2019.
- 2. TMT Early Career Initiative Workshop, Los Angeles, December 2018.
- 3. Extragalactic distance scale in the GAIA era, MIAPP, Germany, June–July 2018.
- 4. Mary Lea & C. Donald Shane Observational Astronomy Workshop, UCO/Lick Observatory, October 2014.

### Observing EXPERIENCE

OSIRIS, Keck I, 13.5 nights, NIRC2, Keck II, 3 nights, MOSFIRE, Keck I, 3 nights,

Shane telescope PFcam, Lick Observatory, 0.5 nights, Nickel telescope imager, Lick Observatory, 0.5 nights.

# Data Analysis EXPERIENCE

Hubble Space Telescope (WFC3), W. M. Keck Observatory (OSIRIS, NIRC2), Very Large Telescope (MUSE), Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer, Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe, Planck, Sloan Digital Sky Survey.

COMPUTER SKILLS **Programming Languages:** Python, C, C++, PHP, SQL, JavaScript Astronomy software: Lenstronomy, IRAF, PyRAF, SExtractor, DS9 Software/Framework: TensorFlow, Flask

# COLLABORATION MEMBERSHIP

- Co-PI, STRong-lensing Insights into Dark Energy Survey (STRIDES), an external collaboration of the Dark Energy Survery (DES)
- H<sub>0</sub> Lenses in COSMOGRAIL's Wellspring (H0LiCOW)

### Professional Service

- Referee for MNRAS and ApJ
- Graduate admission committee member (2019), Division of Astronomy, UCLA

### Mentoring

- Eden Molina: UCLA undergraduate, completing a project to model doubly-imaged lensed quasars from NIRC2 imaging data. Mentored since Fall 2018.
- Vedant Sahu: UCLA undergraduate, working on a project to apply machine learning techniques in modelling quadruply-lensed quasars. Mentored since Summer 2019.

### Teaching

### University of California, Los Angeles, USA

### Guest Lecturer

- Physics 127 General Relativity (Spring 2015)
- Astro 81 Astronomy I: Stars and Nebulae (Winter 2016)

### Teaching Assistant

- Astronomy 3 Nature of Universe (Fall 2014)
- Physics 1C Electrodynamics, Optics and Special Relativity (Winter 2015)
- Physics 127 General Relativity (Spring 2015)
- Physics 6C Physics for Life Sciences Majors: Light, Fluids, Thermodynamics, Modern Physics (Fall 2015)
- Astronomy 81 Astrophysics I: Stars and Nebulae (Winter 2016)
- Astronomy 140 Stellar Systems and Cosmology (Spring 2016)
- Physics 12 Physics of Sustainable Energy (Winter 2017)

### OUTREACH

Cal-Bridge program, hosted a workshop at UCLA for California State University undergraduates on Graduate admission preparation, March, 2019.

Lecturer at Astronomy Live! summer workshop for high school students, 2018.

**Astronomy Live!**, visited K-12 schools to perform various demos as part of the UCLA Astronomy outreach program.

Exploring Your Universe, performed various demos in UCLA's annual science festival, 2014-17. Star show, UCLA Planetarium, 2014-2016.

Public talk, UCLA Planetarium, 2014.

### Publications

# First-author Refereed/Under-review Publications

- 1. **Shajib, A. J.**, et al. STRIDES: A 3.9 per cent measurement of the Hubble constant from the strong lens system DES J0408–5354. arXiv:1910.06306, 2019.
- 2. **Shajib**, **A. J.** Unified lensing and kinematic analysis for *any* elliptical mass profile. MNRAS, 488, 1387-1400, 2019.
- 3. **Shajib, A. J.**, et al. Is every strong lens model unhappy in its own way? Uniform modelling of a sample of 13 quadruply+ imaged quasars. MNRAS, 483, 5649-5671, 2019.
- 4. **Shajib, A. J.**, Treu, T., and Agnello, A. Improving time-delay cosmography with spatially resolved kinematics. MNRAS, 473, 210-226, 2018.

5. **Shajib**, **A. J.** and Wright, E. L. Measurement of the integrated Sachs-Wolfe effect using the AllWISE data release. ApJ, 827:116 (9pp), 2016.

# Co-authored Refereed/Under-review Publications

- 1. Wong, C. K., et al. H0LiCOW XIII. A 2.4% measurement of  $H_0$  from lensed quasars:  $5.3\sigma$  tension between early and late-Universe probes. arXiv:1907.04869, 2019.
- 2. Chen, G. C.-F., et al. A SHARP view of H0LiCOW: H0 from three time-delay gravitational lens systems with adaptive optics imaging. MNRAS, stz2547, 2019.
- 3. Taubenberger, S., et al. The Hubble Constant determined through an inverse distance ladder including quasar time delays and Type Ia supernovae. A&A, 628, L7, 2019.
- 4. Rusu, C. E., et al. H0LiCOW XII. Lens mass model of WFI2033-4723 and blind measurement of its time-delay distance and  $H_0$ . arXiv:1905.09338, 2019.
- Sluse, D., et al. H0LiCOW XI: Spectroscopic/imaging survey and galaxy-group identification around the strong gravitational lens system WFI2033-4723. MNRAS, stz2483, 2019.
- 6. Birrer, S., et al. H0LiCOW IX. Cosmographic analysis of the doubly imaged quasar SDSS 1206+4332 and a new measurement of the Hubble constant. MNRAS, 484, 4726-4753, 2019.
- 7. Chen, G. C.-F., et al. Constraining the microlensing effect on time delays with new time-delay prediction model in  $H_0$  measurements. MNRAS, 481, 1115-1125, 2018.
- 8. Williams, P. R., et al. Discovery of three strongly lensed quasars in the Sloan Digital Sky Survey. MNRAS: Letters, 477, L70-L74, 2018.

### Non-Refereed papers

- 1. Beaton, R. L., et al. Measuring the Hubble Constant Near and Far in the Era of ELT's. BAAS 51(3) 456, 2019.
- 2. Ding, X., Treu, T., **Shajib, A. J.**, et al. Time Delay Lens Modeling Challenge: I. Experimental Design. arXiv:1801.01506, 2018.