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Education

- 2018-2022 **Ph.D., Astronomy**; University of Maryland
(expected) Thesis (proposed): *Simulating Compact Star Clusters and Growth of the Seed Black Holes in the First Galaxies*
- 2016-2018 **M.S., Astronomy**; University of Maryland
Thesis: *Simulating Star Clusters Across Cosmic Time*
- Spring 2015 Georgia Institute of Technology
Non-degree visiting honors student program; Physics and Language
- 2012-2016 **B.S., Physics, With Highest Honor**; Jilin University
Upper Division GPA: 3.92/4 Cumulative GPA 3.91/4

Research Experience

Department of Astronomy, University of Maryland

2017 - Present Advisor: Massimo Ricotti & Cole Miller (co-advisor)

- Running simulations of the formation and dynamic evolution of star clusters in the early Universe.

Center for Theoretical Physics, Jilin University

12/2015 - 03/2016 Advisor: Ping He

- Ran simulations of CMB anisotropies using *CAMB*.

Center for Relativistic Astrophysics, Georgia Institute of Technology

01/2015 - 08/2015 Advisor: Laurens Keek

- Created a set of numerical programs to simulate the angular distributions of X-ray radiation from Low-Mass X-ray Binaries.

Refereed Publications

- He, C.-C., Ricotti, M., & Geen, S., 2020, “**Simulating Star Clusters Across Cosmic Time - II. Fraction of Ionizing Photons Escaping from Molecular Clouds**”, *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 492, 4858.
- He, C.-C., Ricotti, M., & Geen, S., 2019, “**Simulating Star Clusters Across Cosmic Time - I. Initial Mass Function, Star Formation Rates, and Efficiencies**”, *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 489, 1880-1898.
- He, C.-C. & Keek, L., 2016, “**Anisotropy of X-Ray Bursts from Neutron Stars with Concave Accretion Disks**”, *The Astrophysical Journal*, 819, 47.

Honors & Awards

2016	Dean's Honored Graduates , Jilin University The highest honor awarded to graduating seniors in the college
2016	China Youth Science and Technology Innovation Award , China Youth League
2016	Tang-Ao Qing Supreme Award for Excellence in Research & Practice , Jilin University
2015	National Scholarship
2014	Scholarship for Overseas Study , China Scholarship Council

Teaching Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant; University of Maryland

09/2016 - 05/2018, 01/2020 - Present

- Responsibilities include leading classroom discussions, writing homework and exam solutions, grading homework and exams, and holding office hours to provide additional guidance to students.
- Courses include Introduction to Astronomy, Stars and Stellar Systems, Solar System Astronomy, Origin of the Universe, Life in the Universe, Galaxies, Cosmology.

Skills and Professional Services

Programming Languages & Softwares

- **Python, LaTeX**; advanced
- **C/C++, Fortran, Mathematica, MATLAB**; proficient
- **HTML/CSS**; basic

Operating Systems

- **MacOS, Unix/Linux**; proficient
- **Windows**; basic

High-Performance Computing

- Experienced in **MPI Parallel Programming**

Data Science

- Basic knowledge of **Machine Learning**, including **Deep Learning** and **Neural Networks**

Member, American Astronomical Society

Presentations

06/2016	“Life and Academics in college”, invited presentation in the summer program for elite high school students at Jilin University
07/2014	“Topics on Quantum Mechanics and Quantum Teleportation”, review presentation at the concluding ceremony of Physics Summer School in Peking University, Jul. 2014

Outreach

2018, 2020	Lecture Assistant, GRAD-MAP Python Bootcamp, University of Maryland
2017	Maryland Day volunteer