Chong-Chong He

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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