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Citizenship Status: US Citizen

Research Interests: Astrophysics, Astronomy, Physics, Physical Science, Computing, Computer Science, Optics, Engineering, Instrumentation

Education

- University of California, San Diego San Diego, CA
Ph.D., Physics, Astrophysics Emphasis Expected
- University of California, San Diego San Diego, CA
M.S., Physics, Astrophysics Emphasis Expected
- University of California, Santa Barbara Santa Barbara, CA
B.S., Physics., Minor, Astronomy and Planetary Science (Honors) June 2020
Advisor: Prof. Ben Mazin

Research Experience

- Lockheed Martin Santa Barbara, CA
Test Engineering Intern January 2020 - August 2020
 - Wrote MATLAB scripts to automate the testing process of infrared focal plane arrays (FPAs) and used these scripts to test parts.
 - Automated and documented MATLAB scripts for analyzing telegraph noise on infrared focal plane arrays.
 - Analyzed telegraph noise data on infrared FPAs.
- NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Pasadena, CA
Intern June - August 2019
 - Worked on PARVI (Palomar Radial Velocity Instrument) under the guidance of Drs. Gautam Vasisht and Christopher Matthews.
 - Wrote Python programs to predict the instrument's photon throughput, and performed photometry and spectrophotometry on data to compare my projections to the actual throughput.
 - Performed simulations to analyze how the single-mode fiber coupling efficiency changes as we introduce optical aberrations into the system.
- Mazin Lab at UC Santa Barbara Santa Barbara, CA
Undergraduate Researcher June 2018 - August 2020
 - Built a database for the Mazin Lab, an astrophysics laboratory that uses Microwave Kinetic Inductance Technology to directly image extrasolar planets. The database is a website built using Python Flask, HTML/CSS and JavaScript and is currently available on the laboratory's server.
 - Wrote Python code that corrected cosmic ray incidents for the new device developed by the lab (MEC - MKID Exoplanet Camera), as well as the angular differential imaging and spectral differential imaging programs.
 - Performed post-processing (angular differential imaging) and made contrast curves on MEC data with Python.

Skills

- Software and Tools: Python, MATLAB, HTML/CSS, LaTeX, Github, MS Office
- Operating Systems: Linux, Mac OS Windows

Selected Honors and Awards

- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow (NSF GRF) San Diego, CA
Fellow 2020-
- San Diego Fellowship San Diego, CA
Fellow 2020-
- Caltech SURF (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship) at NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Pasadena, CA
Fellow June - August 2019
- Edison GRE Scholarship Santa Barbara, CA
Student April- June 2019
- Edison Summer Research Program Scholarship Santa Barbara, CA
Research Scholar June-August 2018

Research Presentations

- Summer Student Talks at JPL Pasadena, CA
Research Talk August 2019
- APS Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics (CUWiP) Santa Barbara, CA
Poster Presentation January 2019
- UCSB Undergraduate Research Colloquium Santa Barbara, CA
Poster Presentation August 2018

Professional Memberships

- BRASA - Brazilian Student Association Santa Barbara, CA
UCSB President June 2018 - August 2020
- American Physical Society Santa Barbara, CA
Student Member August 2018 - Present