

# DHRUV MULEY

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## EDUCATION AND APPOINTMENTS

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**PhD Astrophysics**, Max Planck Institute for Astronomy, Heidelberg (Germany) 2021—  
Advisor: Prof. dr. Hubert Klahr

**Research Interests** numerical hydrodynamics, radiative transfer, exoplanets/protoplanetary disks

Radiation hydrodynamics simulations of protoplanetary disks, principally with the PLUTO code. Interested in better modeling disk thermal physics, with an aim to understanding the observational signatures of disk-planet interaction.

**Research Assistant**, University of Victoria (British Columbia) 2020–21  
Advisor: Prof. Ruobing Dong

**Research Interests** numerical hydrodynamics, radiative transfer, exoplanets/protoplanetary disks

Used 3D non-isothermal hydrodynamics with the PEnGUIn code, and post-processing with the HOCHUNK3D Monte Carlo radiative-transfer code, to understand how and when planet-driven spiral density waves can be observed in near-infrared scattered light and in gas temperature tracers such as  $^{12}\text{CO}$ .

**B.A. Physics, B.A. Astrophysics**, University of California, Berkeley 2016–20  
GPA: 3.861/4.000 (major) · 3.845/4.000 (overall) · High Distinction  
Advisor: Dr. Jeffrey Fung

**Research Interests** numerical hydrodynamics, exoplanets/protoplanetary disks, galaxy evolution

Studied the morphology of the PDS 70 transition disk with the GPU-hydrodynamics code PEnGUIn. Subsequently, helped devise an improved method for integrating the trajectories of dust grains (e.g., in disks) subject to gas drag.

## PUBLICATIONS

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For an up-to-date publication list, see my ADS library.

7. **Muley, Dhruv**; Melon Fuksman, Julio David; Klahr, Hubert. “Three-temperature radiation hydrodynamics with PLUTO: Tests and applications in the context of protoplanetary disks,” *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, 678, A162 (2023; arXiv:2308.03504)
6. **Muley, Dhruv**; Dong, Ruobing. “CI Tau: A controlled experiment in disk-planet interaction,” *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, 921, 2 (2021; arXiv:2110.13182)
5. **Muley, Dhruv**; Wheeler, Coral; Hopkins, Philip; Wetzel, Andrew; Emerick, Andrew; Kereš, Dušan. “Progenitor-mass-dependent yields amplify intrinsic scatter in dwarf-galaxy elemental abundance ratios,” *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 508, 1 (2021; ArXiv:2008.04901)
4. **Muley, Dhruv**; Dong, Ruobing; Fung, Jeffrey. “Observational signatures of planets in protoplanetary disks: Temperature structures in spiral arms,” *The Astronomical Journal*, 162, 4 (2021; ArXiv:2107.06323)
3. van der Marel, Nienke and 9 others incl. **Dhruv Muley**. “On the diversity of asymmetries in gapped protoplanetary disks,” *The Astronomical Journal*, 161, 33 (2021; arXiv:2010.10568)

2. Fung, Jeffrey; **Muley, Dhruv**. “A staggered semi-analytic method for simulating dust grains subject to gas drag,” *The Astrophysical Journal Supplement Series*, 244, 2 (2019; ArXiv:1909.02006)
1. **Muley, Dhruv**; Fung, Jeffrey; van der Marel, Nienke. “PDS 70: A transition disk sculpted by a single planet,” *The Astrophysical Journal Letters*, 879, 1 (2019; ArXiv:1902.07191)

## TALKS AND CONFERENCES

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6. “Thermal and kinematic signatures of accreting protoplanets”  
**Poster** at MHD Flows in Young Circumstellar Disks (Ringberg, DE) 2-4 November, 2023
5. “Three-temperature radiative transfer for the PLUTO hydrodynamical code”  
**Oral talk** at Disks and Planets across ESO Facilities (Garching, DE) November 29, 2022  
**Oral talk** at SPP 1992 meeting (München, DE) March 15, 2023
4. “Observational signatures of planet formation: temperature structures from spiral arms”  
**Poster** at CASCA 2021 AGM (virtual) May 8, 2021  
**Oral talk** at “The formation of the Solar System” (Ringberg, DE) October 8, 2021
3. “Wide, deep cavities in gas and dust: simulations versus observations” December 7-11, 2020  
**Oral talk** at Five years after HL Tau: a new era in planet formation (virtual)
2. “PDS 70: A laboratory for disk-planet interaction” November 22, 2019  
**Oral talk** at Bay Area Planetary Science Meeting (Stanford)
1. “PDS 70: A transition disk sculpted by a single planet” February 14, 2019  
**Oral talk** at Astronomy Thursday Lunch (UC Berkeley)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Advanced</b>	Python, C/C++, Unix
<b>Intermediate</b>	CUDA, Java, Mathematica, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X
<b>Basic</b>	Fortran 90, HTML, JavaScript, Photoshop, MPI

## TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS

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<b>Undergraduate Researcher</b> , University of California, Berkeley Advisor: Dr. Sivan Ginzburg Developed scaling relations for planetary gap depths and migration rates.	2020
<b>SURF Fellow</b> , California Institute of Technology Advisor: Dr. Coral Wheeler, Prof. Philip F. Hopkins As part of a Caltech summer project in 2019 (for which the fellowship amount was \$6350), implemented progenitor-dependent yields and event rates for supernovae and stellar winds, from the NuGrid suite, into the GIZMO hydrodynamics code. Subsequently ran simulations to measure the resulting changes in metal abundances in dwarf galaxies, resulting in a publication.	2019-20
<b>Affiliate</b> , Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Advisor: Dr. Carlton Pennypacker	2017–18
<b>Undergraduate Researcher</b> , Columbia University (remote) Advisor: Prof. David Kipping	2016

## TEACHING

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<b>Undergraduate Student Instructor</b> , Physics 5BL, University of California, Berkeley Instructor: Dr. Gurpreet Kaur Helped students conduct experiments and graded lab reports for 25 students in Physics 5BL, Berkeley’s laboratory course for first-year physics majors focusing on springs and waves.	2020
<b>Reader</b> , Physics 137B, University of California, Berkeley Instructor: Prof. Michael Crommie Graded roughly 60 homework assignments biweekly for Physics 137B, the second semester of upper division quantum mechanics at Berkeley, during Spring 2019.	2019
<b>Undergraduate Student Instructor</b> , Astronomy C10, University of California, Berkeley Instructor: Prof. Alex Filippenko Ran weekly discussion sections, devised worksheets and study materials, and graded exams for approximately 60 students in Astronomy C10, UC Berkeley’s survey course on astronomy for non-majors, during the Fall 2018 semester.	2018
<b>Reader</b> , Astronomy C10, University of California, Berkeley Instructor: Prof. Alex Filippenko Graded roughly 100 homework assignments per week for Astronomy C10.	2017

## OUTREACH

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<b>Mentor</b> , SPLASH, University of California, Berkeley  Gave an “Introduction to Theoretical Astrophysics” seminar class to high-school students in the San Francisco Bay Area, emphasizing order-of-magnitude reasoning skills.	2020
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- Member**, Undergraduate Astrophysics Service Committee, University of California, Berkeley 2019—  
 Advisor: Amber Banayat, Prof. Mariska Kriek  
 Helped improve recruitment and retention of astrophysics majors.
- Mentor**, Be a Scientist program, Martin Luther King Jr. Middle School, Berkeley 2018  
 Advisor: Darlene Yan  
 Worked with students in Berkeley aged 11-14 to develop scientifically testable hypotheses, devise and conduct experiments, and analyze results.

## LANGUAGES

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**English**    Fluent; professional working proficiency  
**Spanish**    Intermediate  
**German**    Intermediate  
**Marathi**    Basic