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EDUCATION

Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian

Sep. 2020 - Present

Ph.D. Candidate

GIST(Gwangju Institute of Science and Technology), cum laude

B.S. Physics Major/Math Minor

Mar. 2015 - Feb. 2020

Total GPA: 4.0/4.5 (3.7/4.0 U.S. scale) Major GPA: 4.4/4.5 (4.0/4.0 U.S. scale) ¹

California Institute of Technology

Sep. 2017 - Dec. 2017

Study Abroad Program Total GPA: 3.9/4.3

University of California, Berkeley

Jun. 2016 - Aug. 2016

Summer Session

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Seoul National University

Mar. 2020 - Aug. 2020

Visiting Student Intern

Supervisor: Prof. Ji-hoon Kim

Work in progress

OzGrav, Swinburne University of Technology

Mar. 2019 - Jun. 2019

Visiting Student Intern

Supervisors: Prof. Matthew Bailes, Prof. Adam Deller, Dr. Ryan Shannon Localized ASKAP FRBs' high time resolution and their analysis.

The work is continued from the previous project from CIRA, which is improving my software that recovers full time resolution of localized ASKAP FRB voltage data. I have generalized this software for any localized sources for ASKAP and have done high time resolution analysis. This has opened up new ways to study both FRBs and the matter that their radiation encounters on its trek through the Universe. My software and analysis led to new results about the properties of matter in the outer parts of galaxies (its "halo"), as probed by an FRB. Therefore, I am a co-author of a paper on these results, published in the journal *Science* in October 2019.

Curtin Institute of Radio Astronomy (CIRA)

Dec. 2018 - Feb. 2019

Visiting Research Associate / Summer Studentship

Supervisors: Prof. Jean-Pierre Macquart, Dr. Clancy James, Dr. Ian Morrison Recovering the full time resolution of ASKAP FRB voltage data.

As a member of The Commensal Real-time ASKAP Fast Transients Survey (CRAFT) collaboration, I worked on inverting channelization of voltage data (a data processing method called polyphase filterbank inversion) to retrieve its full time resolution. Having access to ASKAP's highly resolved voltage data is expected to reveal significant information including the source's emission properties and FRBs' fine temporal and spectral structure.

¹The courses with PS(Physics) course code in GIST transcript, including courses taken at Caltech.

Caltech Theoretical Astrophysics

Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow

Supervisor: Prof. Sterl Phinney

Numerical modeling of time-independent accretion discs with instabilities. I wrote Python scripts from scratch that solves the time-independent accretion disc equations numerically. These included OPAL and Ferguson opacities, equations of state, and treatment of convection. The purpose of the project was to make realistic and general models of accretion discs covering a wide parameter space from Cataclysmic Variables to Active Galactic Nuclei and to investigate instabilities caused by the onset of convection and hydrogen recombination.

GIST General Intelligence and Smart Environment Laboratory

Student Intern Oct. 2015 - Aug. 2017

Supervisor: Prof. Kin Choong Yow

Studying deep learning and its applications to physics problems.

I learned object oriented programming with C++, and deep learning with Google's Tensorflow. Also, I worked on a project to derive physical formulae from data based on Google's TensorFlow Python scripts.

PUBLICATIONS arXiv, ads

- 1. Articles published or accepted in refereed journals
 - J. X. Prochaska et. al. 2019 Science, 366, "The low density and magnetization of a massive galaxy halo exposed by a fast radio burst"
 - **Hyerin Cho** et. al. 2020 ApJL, 891, "Spectropolarimetric analysis of FRB 181112 at microsecond resolution: Implications for Fast Radio Burst emission mechanism"
 - M. W. Sammons et. al. 2020 ApJ, 900, "First constraints on compact dark matter from Fast Radio Burst microstructure"
 - S. Bhandari et. al. 2020, accepted to ApJL, "Limits on precursor and afterglow radio emission from a fast radio burst in a star-forming galaxy" arXiv:2008.12488

TALKS	Caltech SURF Seminar Day	Aug. 2018
	ICRAR Summer Student Talk	Feb. 2019
	GIST SNL ("Science" Night Live) talk on FRBs	October 2019

TEACHING	Teaching Assistant	Sep. 2019 - Dec. 2019
EXPERIENCE	GIST MM4016 Introduction to Topology (4th-year course)	

Teaching Assistant Mar. 2018 - Jun. 2018

GIST PS3101 Electromagnetism II (3rd-year course)

AWARDS &	Korea National Science and Engineering Scholarship ²	Mar. 2015 - Feb. 2020
FELLOWSHIPS	Caltech Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship	Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018
	CIRA Summer Studentship	Dec. 2018 - Feb. 2019
	GIST Outstanding Thesis Award (우수논문상)	Feb. 2020
	GIST Future Research Talent Award (미래인재상)	Feb. 2020
	Ilju Foundation Study Abroad Doctoral Program Scholarship	o Aug. 2020 - Jul. 2024

 $^{^2}$ Full tuition covered for 8 semesters from Korea Student Aid Foundation, Ministry of Education (국가이공계장학금)

TECHNOLOGY Programming Languages:

SKILLS

Working knowledge of: Python, MATLAB, bash

C++, C, C shell, Mathematica Familiar with:

Basic knowledge of: Fortran Operating Systems: Linux, Windows

Others: MESA, TensorFlow

LANGUAGE **PROFICIENCY**

Korean (native) English (fluent³)

Japanese, Chinese (basic knowledge)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mar. 2015 - Dec. 2015 GIST student ambassador, Member GIST student council. Member Jun. 2015 - Feb. 2016 GIST student ambassador, Vice President

Dec. 2015 - Dec. 2016 MESA⁴ Summer School, Student Aug. 2018

Palomar Observatory observing proposal accepted for one night Aug. 2018 Spectroscopic follow-up observation of several short period binaries discovered

with ZTF

APCTP⁵-NIMS-KISTI-UNIST-KASI Summer School on Numerical Relativity and Gravitational Waves, Student Jun. 2019

CTPU⁶ Summer School on Cosmology and Particle Physics, Student Jul. 2019 2019 CASPER Workshop & PIRE DSP School, Student Aug. 2019

Accepted to get student travel/accommodation support to Harvard

Student-led study group

Sep. 2019 - Dec. 2019

I taught General Relativity and my study plan and notes can be found here

TEST SCORES

Physics GRE 990/990

General GRE Verbal(158/170), Quantitative(169/170), Analytical Writing(4/6)

TOEFL 111/120

HOBBIES

Hiphop dance

I was a practice director of a dance club in GIST, and I was also an instructor for a hiphop class in Caltech.

Yoga, especially aerial yoga or pilates

³Cumulative 3 years living in the U.S. during middle school and university. 6 months living in Australia during research internships.

⁴Modules for Experiments in Stellar Astrophysics

⁵Asia Pacific Center for Theoretical Physics

⁶Center for Theoretical Physics of the Universe, Institute for Basic Science, Korea