

# Shubham Kanodia

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## Appointments

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### Carnegie Institution for Science

Washington, DC, USA

Carnegie Postdoctoral Fellow, Earth and Planets Laboratory

July 2022 – Present

*From Pixels to Population: Understanding Gas Giants around M dwarfs*

### Pennsylvania State University

Pennsylvania, USA

Research Technologist

February 2017 – July 2017

*HPF and NEID spectrograph design and instrument assembly*

## Education

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### Pennsylvania State University

Pennsylvania, USA

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Astrophysics

May 2019 – May 2022

*Developing new tools and techniques to probe the M dwarf planet population*

### Pennsylvania State University

Pennsylvania, USA

Master of Science (M.Sc.) Astrophysics

Sept 2017 – May 2019

*Combining the Next Generation of Exoplanet Instrumentation & Astrostatistics*

### Brown University

Rhode Island, USA

Master of Science (Sc.M.) Physics

Sept 2015 – Dec 2016

*Optical Design of the Exoplanet Climate Infrared Telescope Spectrometer*

### St. Xavier's College

Mumbai, India

Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) Physics

June 2012 – Apr 2015

## Telescope Time Allocation

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- JWST Cycle 2 (GO 3171): 133 hours
- HET 10 m HPF: > 50 nights
- Gemini-N 8 m MAROON-X: 1.5 nights
- PFS 6.5 Magellan: 4 nights
- ARC 3.5 m: > 50 half nights
- WIYN 3.5 m NEID: > 20 nights

## Awards & Grants

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- NN-Explore JPL Research Support Agreement, \$7000, 2021, 2023-2024
- Carnegie Postdoctoral Fellow, Carnegie Earth & Planets Lab, 2022 onwards
- NASA Group Achievement Award, NEID, 2020
- Downsborough Graduate Fellowship in Astrophysics, Penn State, 2021
- Zaccheus Daniel Fellowship, Penn State, 2018, 2020, 2021
- Homer F. Braddock / Nellie H. and Oscar L. Roberts Fellowship, Penn State, 2017
- J.N. Tata Endowment Fund for Higher Education, Mumbai, 2015
- INSPIRE Scholarship: Government of India, Mumbai, 2013

## Mentoring & Advising

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- Helen Baran (2019 – 2020): Undergraduate at Pennsylvania State University
- Marissa Maney (2019 – 2021): Undergraduate at Pennsylvania State University
- Brody McElwain (2020 – 2022): Master's student at Pennsylvania State University
- Narisara (Mick) Mayer (2023 –): Undergraduate at Haverford College
- Caleb Dando-Haenisch (2023): Undergraduate at American University
- Radia Islam (2023): Undergraduate at University of Texas, Austin
- Amber Wong (2023 –): Undergraduate at University of California, Irvine
- Shane O'Brien (2023 –): Undergraduate at University of California, Irvine
- Andrew Hotnisky (2023 –): Undergraduate at Pennsylvania State University
- Fogofoluwa Adeniyi (2024): Undergraduate at Brightpoint Community College
- Nachiket Yadav (2024 –): Undergraduate at University of Texas, Austin
- Mitchell Shadden (2024 –): Undergraduate at University of Texas, Austin
- Maya Vigil (2024 –): Undergraduate at University of Texas, Austin

### Co-advised:

- Megan Delamer (2022 – 2023): PhD student at Pennsylvania State University
- Pinchen Fan (2022 – 2023): PhD student at Pennsylvania State University
- Varghese Reji (2023 –): PhD student at Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (India)
- Te Han (2023): PhD student at University of California, Irvine
- Lia Marta Bernabò (2023 –): PhD student at Institute of Planetary Research - DLR (Germany)

## Academic Service

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### Carnegie EPL Astro Seminars

Organizer

2023 – Now

### NSF's NOIRLab Telescope Time Allocation Committee

Panel Member

### NASA Exoplanets Research Program (XRP)

Panel Member, Executive Secretary

### Canadian Time Allocation Committee (CanTAC)

Technical Reviewer

### ApJ, AJ, MNRAS, International Journal of Astrobiology

Referee

### Emerging Researchers in Exoplanet Sciences IV, VII

Organizing Committee

2018, 2022

## Teaching

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### Teaching probabilistic programming

Pennsylvania State University

State College

2021 and 2022

Developed and taught a course on probabilistic programming, and statistical inference using the Hamiltonian Monte Carlo Python code: PyMC3 and package `exoplanet`.

### Teaching Assistant for Astronomy lab

Providence, USA

## Software Development

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- **pyastrotools**: Repository with set of astronomy helper functions [🔗](#)
- **barycorrpy**: Python package for precise barycentric and timing corrections. (Kanodia and Wright, 2018; Wright and Kanodia, 2020). [🔗](#)
- **MRExo**: Nonparametric tool used to fit 2-D, 3-D and 4-D mass- radius+ relationships using beta density functions. (Kanodia et al. 2019, 2023). [🔗](#)

## Outreach

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In addition to regular Astronomy open nights and public events at each of my host institutions, I have contributed to the following:

- **Public Talks**:
  - National Capital Astronomers: Washington DC, USA, *A Gas-giant planet orbiting a Dwarf Star: An extreme Instance of Planet Formation*, 2024
  - Astronomy on Tap: State College, USA, *Digging through the Cosmic Haystack*, 2019
  - Nerd Nite: Webster's Cafe, State College, USA, *Searching for other worlds, other life*, 2019
  - Nehru Planetarium, Mumbai, India, *Finding Earth 2.0*, 2018
- **Education**:
  - Volunteered for Carnegie Academy of Science (CASE): First Light science program for middle-school kids (2022 – 23)
  - Volunteered for Astrofest: Penn State Department of Astronomy Annual outreach event (2017 – 2019)
  - Volunteered with Brown Cubesat Educational Outreach Saturday STEM program at West Broadway Middle School to communicate Science and Physics to students. (2015 – 2016)
  - Volunteered at Umang Foundation, Mumbai: Teaching underprivileged children basic Mathematics and English. (2012 – 2014)

## Professional Talks

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- [Open Problems in the Astrophysics of Gas Giants Conference](#), Chile, December 2023
- Planetary Seminar, University of Maryland, November 2023
- American University Physics Colloquium, November 2023
- [Steward Observatory/NSF's NOIRLab Joint Colloquium](#), October 2023
- [DAA Seminar](#), Tata Institute for Fundamental Research, Mumbai, August 2023
- [Strange New Worlds Conference](#), Pune, August 2023
- Origins of Solar Systems, Gordon Research Seminar, June 2023
- EPL General Seminar, Carnegie EPL, February 2023
- [School of Earth and Planetary Sciences \(SEPS\)](#), NISER Bhubaneswar, March 2023
- [SPIE Astronomical Telescopes + Instrumentation](#), Montreal, August 2022
- DAA Seminar, Tata Institute for Fundamental Research, Mumbai, March 2022

- EPL Astronomy Seminar, Carnegie EPL, October 2021
- PSU Center for Exoplanets and Habitable Worlds Seminar, PSU, September 2021
- [NASA Goddard Extrasolar Planets Seminar, NASA Goddard, September 2021](#)
- [Order of the Octopus, PSU, July 2021](#)
- [PSETI Seminar, PSU, October 2020](#)
- NASA Technosignatures Workshop, USRA, September 2018
- Emerging Researchers in Exoplanet Science Symposium, PSU, June 2018

## Publications

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First Author (Refereed): 13 (10); Significant Contributions: 18 [\[ADS\]](#)

Total Citations: 1152 on 03 June, 2024. Mentee Publications are indicated with \*

### First Author.....

13. **S. Kanodia**, C. Cañas, S. Mahadevan, et al., *Searching for Giant Exoplanets around M-dwarf Stars (GEMS) I: Survey Motivation*, AJ, 167, 4, 2024 [\[ADS\]](#)
12. **S. Kanodia**, S. Mahadevan, J. Libby-Roberts, et al., *TOI-5205b: A Short-period Jovian Planet Transiting a Mid-M Dwarf*, AJ, 165, 3, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
11. **S. Kanodia**, A. Lin, E. Lubar, et al., *Stable Fiber-illumination for Extremely Precise Radial Velocities with NEID*, AJ, 166, 3, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
10. **S. Kanodia**, M. He, E. Ford, et al., *Beyond Two-dimensional Mass-Radius Relationships: A Nonparametric and Probabilistic Framework for Characterizing Planetary Samples in Higher Dimensions*, ApJ, 956, 2, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
9. **S. Kanodia**, L. Ramsey, M. Maney, et al., *High-resolution Near-infrared Spectroscopy of a Flare around the Ultracool Dwarf vB 10*, ApJ, 925, 2, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
8. **S. Kanodia**, J. Libby-Roberts, C. Cañas, et al., *TOI-3757 b: A Low-density Gas Giant Orbiting a Solar-metallicity M Dwarf*, AJ, 164, 3, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
7. **S. Kanodia**, G. Stefansson, C. Cañas, et al., *TOI-532b: The Habitable-zone Planet Finder confirms a Large Super Neptune in the Neptune Desert orbiting a metal-rich M-dwarf host*, AJ, 162, 4, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
6. **S. Kanodia**, S. Halverson, J. Ninan, et al., *A Harsh Test of Far-field Scrambling with the Habitable-zone Planet Finder and the Hobby-Eberly Telescope*, ApJ, 912, 1, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
5. **S. Kanodia**, C. Cañas, G. Stefansson, et al., *TOI-1728b: The Habitable-zone Planet Finder Confirms a Warm Super-Neptune Orbiting an M-dwarf Host*, ApJ, 899, 1, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
4. **S. Kanodia**, J. Ninan, A. Monson, et al., *Ghosts of NEID's past*, SPIE, 11447, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
3. **S. Kanodia**, A. Wolfgang, G. Stefansson, et al., *Mass-Radius Relationship for M Dwarf Exoplanets: Comparing Nonparametric and Parametric Methods*, ApJ, 882, 1, 2019 [\[ADS\]](#)
2. **S. Kanodia**, and J. Wright, *Python Leap Second Management and Implementation of Precise Barycentric Correction (barycorrpy)*, RNAAS, 2, 1, 2018 [\[ADS\]](#)
1. **S. Kanodia**, S. Mahadevan, L. Ramsey, et al., *Overview of the spectrometer optical fiber feed for the habitable-zone planet finder*, SPIE, 10702, 2018 [\[ADS\]](#)

### Significant Contributions.....

18. \*T. Han, P. Robertson, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *TOI-5344 b: A Saturn-like Planet Orbiting a Super-solar Metallicity M0 Dwarf*, AJ, 167, 1, 2024 [\[ADS\]](#)
17. \*M. Delamer, **S. Kanodia**, C. Cañas, et al., *TOI-4201: An Early M Dwarf Hosting a Massive Transiting Jupiter Stretching Theories of Core Accretion*, ApJ, 962, 2, 2024 [\[ADS\]](#)

16. G. Stefánsson, S. Mahadevan, Y. Miguel, et al., *A Neptune-mass exoplanet in close orbit around a very low-mass star challenges formation models*, Science, 382, 6674, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
15. A. Boss, and **S. Kanodia**, *Forming Gas Giants around a Range of Protostellar M-dwarfs by Gas Disk Gravitational Instability*, ApJ, 956, 1, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
14. S. Sheikh, **S. Kanodia**, E. Lubar, et al., *A Green Bank Telescope Search for Narrowband Technosignatures between 1.1 and 1.9 GHz During 12 Kepler Planetary Transits*, AJ, 165, 2, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
13. J. Libby-Roberts, M. Schutte, L. Hebb, et al., *An In-depth Look at TOI-3884b: A Super-Neptune Transiting an M4Dwarf with Persistent Starspot Crossings*, AJ, 165, 6, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
12. C. Cañas, **S. Kanodia**, J. Libby-Roberts, et al., *TOI-3984 A b and TOI-5293 A b: Two Temperate Gas Giants Transiting Mid-M Dwarfs in Wide Binary Systems*, AJ, 166, 1, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
11. \*M. Lambert, C. Bender, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *TOI-5375 B: A Very Low Mass Star at the Hydrogen-burning Limit Orbiting an Early M-type Star*, AJ, 165, 5, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
10. C. Beard, P. Robertson, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *TOI-1696 and TOI-2136: Constraining the Masses of Two Mini-Neptunes with the Habitable-Zone Planet Finder*, AJ, 163, 6, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
9. C. Beard, P. Robertson, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *GJ 3929: High-precision Photometric and Doppler Characterization of an Exo-Venus and Its Hot, Mini-Neptune-mass Companion*, ApJ, 936, 1, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
8. C. Cañas, **S. Kanodia**, C. Bender, et al., *TOI-3714 b and TOI-3629 b: Two Gas Giants Transiting M Dwarfs Confirmed with the Habitable-zone Planet Finder and NEID*, AJ, 164, 2, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
7. A. Lin, A. Monson, S. Mahadevan, et al., *Observing the Sun as a Star: Design and Early Results from the NEID Solar Feed*, AJ, 163, 4, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
6. C. Schwab, A. Monson, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *The NEID spectrometer: fibre injection system design*, SPIE, 11447, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
5. J. Wright, and **S. Kanodia**, *Barycentric Corrections for Precise Radial Velocity Measurements of Sunlight*, PSJ, 1, 2, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
4. C. Cañas, G. Stefansson, **S. Kanodia**, et al., *A Warm Jupiter Transiting an M Dwarf: A TESS Single-transit Event Confirmed with the Habitable-zone Planet Finder*, AJ, 160, 3, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
3. G. Stefánsson, R. Kopparapu, A. Lin, et al., *A Mini-Neptune and a Radius Valley Planet Orbiting the Nearby M2 Dwarf TOI-1266 in Its Venus Zone: Validation with the Habitable-zone Planet Finder*, AJ, 160, 6, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
2. A. Metcalf, T. Anderson, C. Bender, et al., *Stellar spectroscopy in the near-infrared with a laser frequency comb*, Optica, 6, 2, 2019 [\[ADS\]](#)
1. J. Wright, **S. Kanodia**, and E. Lubar, *How Much SETI Has Been Done? Finding Needles in the n-dimensional Cosmic Haystack*, AJ, 156, 6, 2018 [\[ADS\]](#)



## Co-Author.....

32. M. Battley, K. Collins, S. Ulmer-Moll, et al., *NGTS-30 b/TOI-4862 b: An 1 Gyr old 98-day transiting warm Jupiter*, arXiv e-prints, None, 2024 [\[ADS\]](#)
31. E. Fitzmaurice, G. Stefánsson, R. Kavanagh, et al., *Astrometry and Precise Radial Velocities Yield a Complete Orbital Solution for the Nearby Eccentric Brown Dwarf LHS 1610 b*, arXiv e-prints, None, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
30. S. Jones, G. Stefánsson, K. Masuda, et al., *TOI-2015b: A Warm Neptune with Transit Timing Variations Orbiting an Active mid M Dwarf*, arXiv e-prints, None, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
29. L. Powers, J. Libby-Roberts, A. Lin, et al., *TOI-3785 b: A Low-density Neptune Orbiting an M2-dwarf Star*, AJ, 166, 2, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
28. R. Frazier, G. Stefánsson, S. Mahadevan, et al., *NEID Reveals That the Young Warm Neptune TOI-2076 b Has a Low Obliquity*, ApJ, 944, 2, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
27. J. Lubin, X. Wang, M. Rice, et al., *TOI-1670 c, a 40 day Orbital Period Warm Jupiter in a Compact System, Is Well Aligned*, ApJ, 959, 1, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
26. A. Gupta, J. Jackson, G. Hébrard, et al., *A High-Eccentricity Warm Jupiter Orbiting TOI-4127*, AJ, 165, 6, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
25. J. Dong, S. Wang, M. Rice, et al., *TOI-1859b: A 64 Day Warm Jupiter on an Eccentric and Misaligned Orbit*, ApJ, 951, 2, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
24. A. Lin, J. Libby-Roberts, J. Alvarado-Montes, et al., *The Unusual M-dwarf Warm Jupiter TOI-1899 b: Refinement of Orbital and Planetary Parameters*, AJ, 166, 3, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
23. L. Zhao, X. Dumusque, E. Ford, et al., *The Extreme Stellar-signals Project. III. Combining Solar Data from HARPS, HARPS-N, EXPRES, and NEID*, AJ, 166, 4, 2023 [\[ADS\]](#)
22. A. Ghosh, S. Sharma, J. Ninan, et al., *Gaia 20eae: A Newly Discovered Episodically Accreting Young Star*, ApJ, 926, 1, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
21. S. Logsdon, M. Wolf, D. Li, et al., *The NEID port adapter: on-sky performance*, SPIE, 12184, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
20. A. Gupta, C. Bender, J. Ninan, et al., *Real-time exposure control and instrument operation with the NEID spectrograph GUI*, SPIE, 12189, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
19. R. Terrien, A. Keen, K. Oda, et al., *Rotational Modulation of Spectroscopic Zeeman Signatures in Low-mass Stars*, ApJ, 927, 1, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
18. A. Gupta, J. Luhn, J. Wright, et al., *Detection of p-mode Oscillations in HD 35833 with NEID and TESS*, AJ, 164, 6, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
17. J. Dong, C. Huang, G. Zhou, et al., *NEID Rossiter-McLaughlin Measurement of TOI-1268b: A Young Warm Saturn Aligned with Its Cool Host Star*, ApJ, 926, 2, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
16. C. Cañas, S. Mahadevan, C. Bender, et al., *An Eccentric Brown Dwarf Eclipsing an M dwarf*, AJ, 163, 2, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
15. G. Stefánsson, S. Mahadevan, C. Petrovich, et al., *The Warm Neptune GJ 3470b Has a Polar Orbit*, ApJ, 931, 2, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
14. C. Cañas, S. Mahadevan, W. Cochran, et al., *A Hot Mars-sized Exoplanet Transiting an M Dwarf*, AJ, 163, 1, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)
13. M. Reefer, R. Luque, E. Gaidos, et al., *A Close-in Puffy Neptune with Hidden Friends: The Enigma of TOI 620*, AJ, 163, 6, 2022 [\[ADS\]](#)

12. S. Mahadevan, G. Stefánsson, P. Robertson, et al., *The Habitable-zone Planet Finder Detects a Terrestrial-mass Planet Candidate Closely Orbiting Gliese 1151: The Likely Source of Coherent Low-frequency Radio Emission from an Inactive Star*, ApJ, 919, 1, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
11. V. Krishnamurthy, T. Hirano, G. Stefánsson, et al., *Nondetection of Helium in the Upper Atmospheres of TRAPPIST-1b, e, and f*, AJ, 162, 3, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
10. A. Gupta, J. Wright, P. Robertson, et al., *Target Prioritization and Observing Strategies for the NEID Earth Twin Survey*, AJ, 161, 3, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
9. S. Vissapragada, G. Stefánsson, M. Greklek-McKeon, et al., *A Search for Planetary Metastable Helium Absorption in the V1298 Tau System*, AJ, 162, 5, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
8. J. Lubin, P. Robertson, G. Stefansson, et al., *Stellar Activity Manifesting at a One-year Alias Explains Barnard b as a False Positive*, AJ, 162, 2, 2021 [\[ADS\]](#)
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5. G. Stefansson, S. Mahadevan, M. Maney, et al., *The Habitable Zone Planet Finder Reveals a High Mass and Low Obliquity for the Young Neptune K2-25b*, AJ, 160, 4, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
4. J. Ninan, G. Stefansson, S. Mahadevan, et al., *Evidence for He I 10830 Å Absorption during the Transit of a Warm Neptune around the M-dwarf GJ 3470 with the Habitable-zone Planet Finder*, ApJ, 894, 2, 2020 [\[ADS\]](#)
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