Tarraneh Eftekhari

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Education

2015 - Present **Ph.D. Astronomy & Astrophysics**, HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

2010–2014 **B.S. Astrophysics**, University of New Mexico, GPA – 3.85.

Experience

2015 - Present Research Assistant, HARVARD UNIVERSITY, Cambridge.

- Modeled synchrotron emission from relativistic jets produced by tidal disruption
- Designed a low-noise amplifier for 21-cm cosmology observations at low frequencies

2012 - 2015 **Research Assistant**, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque.

- Operated Long Wavelength Array (LWA) Telescope
- Built electronics for Large-Aperture Experiment to Detect the Dark Ages (LEDA):
 - Built modified front end boards for LWA dipole antennas in New Mexico and at Owens Valley Radio Observatory in California
- Observed and analyzed Crab Giant Pulses for seven months for departmental Honors
- Helped with the construction of the second LWA station
- Tested analog receiver boards for second LWA station

Summer 2014 Summer Student, ASTRON/JIVE, Netherlands.

- Developed code for automating first time ever simultaneous high-band and low-band observations
- o Observed Crab Pulsar and utilized rotation measure synthesis in order to determine magnetic field due to the solar wind

Outreach Activities

- 2016 Mentor, Science Club for Girls.
- 2016 **Digital Mentor**, YouthAstroNet.
- 2013 2015 **Telescope Operator**, UNM Campus Observatory, Friday Night Open Skies.

Extracurricular Activities

2014 Treasurer, Society of Physics Students, University of New Mexico.

Awards

- 2014 New Mexico Space Grant Consortium Scholarship
- 2013 University of New Mexico Undergraduate Research Award

Affiliations

- 2014 American Astronomical Society
- 2014 Sigma Pi Sigma
- 2014 Society of Physics Students

Publications

- 2016 A Low Frequency Survey of Giant Pulses from the Crab Pulsar, **T. Eftekhari**, G.B. Taylor, & K. Stovall Submitted to ApJ
- 2016 Bayesian Constraints on the Global 21-cm Signal from the Cosmic Dawn, G. Bernardi, J.T.L. Zwart, D. Price, L.J. Greenhill, A. Mesinger, J. Dowell, T. Eftekhari, S.W. Ellingson, J. Kocz, F. Schinzel. arXiv: arXiv:1606.06006 MNRAS
- 2014 Digital Signal Processing using Stream High Performance Computing: A 512-input Broadband Correlator for Radio Astronomy, J. Kocz, L.J Greenhill, B.R. Barsdell, D. Price, G. Bernardi, S. Bourke, M.A. Clark, J. Craig, M. Dexter, J. Dowell, T. Eftekhari, S. Ellingson, G. Hallinan, J. Hartman, A. Jameson, D. MacMahon, G. Taylor, F. Schinzel, D. Werthimer. arXiv:1411.3751 JAI
- 2014 Pulsar Observations Using the First Station of the Long Wavelength Array and the LWA Pulsar Data Archive, K. Stovall, P. S. Ray, J. Blythe, J. Dowell, T. Eftekhari, A. Garcia, T. J. W. Lazio, M. McCrackan, F. K. Schinzel, G. B. Taylor. arXiv:1410.7422 ApJ

Presentations

- 2016 Observations of Heliospheric Faraday Rotation (FR) and Interplanetary Scintillation (IPS): Steps Towards Investigating Bz Propagation Between the Sun and the Earth, M.M. Bisi, R.A. Fallows, C. Sobey, T. Eftekhari, E.A. Jensen, B.V. Jackson, H. Yu, P.P. Hick, D. Odstrcil, M. Tokumaru, M.T. Oyuki Chang
- 2015 A Low Frequency Survey of Giant Pulses from the Crab Pulsar, **T. Eftekhari**, G.B. Taylor, & K. Stovall American Astronomical Society 225th Meeting
- 2015 Observing Rats, Giants, and Ghosts below 100 MHz with the LWA, G.B. Taylor, M.J. McCracken, T. Eftekhari, K. Obenerger, J. Dowell, K. Stovall American Astronomical Society 225th Meeting
- 2014 Faraday Rotation (FR) and Interplanetary Scintillation (IPS) Case Studies Using the Low Frequency Array (LOFAR), M.M. Bisi, B.V. Jackson, R.A. Fallows, T. Eftekhari, E.A. Jensen, D. Odstrcil, M. Tokumaru, P.T. Gallagher, D.F. Webb, P.K. Manoharan, A. Gonzalez-Esparza, C. Sobey, M.A. Hapgood, R.A. Harrison, J.A. Davies, and Hsiu-Shan Yu American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting
- 2014 Complementary Ground-Based Radio Observations to Space-Weather Science and Operations Missions Near to or Around L_5 , M.M. Bisi, R.A. Fallows, C. Sobey, **T. Eftekhari**, E.A. Jensen, B.V. Jackson, H.-S. Yu, D.J. Gershman, J.M. Raines and D. Odstrcil L5 Consortium Meeting

Computer Skills

Intermediate HTML, MATLAB, Genesys RF & Microwave Design

Advanced PYTHON, LINUX, git, Microsoft Office

Astronomical CASA, CIAO, XSPEC, DS9 Software

Languages

Farsi **Intermediate**

Conversationally fluent