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## Education

#### Ph.D. in Physics, University of California, San Diego

Sep 2013

- Thesis: Spiral Shock and Feathering Instabilities in Spiral Arms
- Relevant Coursework: Parallel Computing (OpenMP, MPI)

B.Sc. in Physics, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Sep 2007

# Technical Experience

### Alexa Skills on Amazon Echo devices (astroph, astroph Earth)

2017 - present

- \* Allow users to listen to the 5 newest academic paper abstracts submitted to the preprint server (arxiv.org).
- Technologies: JSON, RSS, AWS Lambda, flask-ask, zappa
- https://wingkitlee0.github.io/alexa\_astroph/

#### Open Source Contributions

2018 - present

- \* scikits.bvp\_solver: A Python library for solving two-point boundary value problems, based on a well-known Fortran library. Technologies: Fortran, f2py, setuptools
- \* scikit-cuda: A Python wrapper for the MAGMA GPU linear algebra library, which allows drop-in replacement of scipy. Technologies: cuda, cusolver, blas, lapack

#### Data Science / Machine Learning Project (on-going)

2018 – present

■ Use ML to classify whether an abstract belongs to any sub-category of astrophysics (multi-class classification). The task can be achieved using deep learning. Future work includes using LSTM to generate sample abstract. Technologies: keras, tensorflow, NLP

# Arxiv Reader (Mobile)

2016

- \* An app to browse papers via the RSS feeds from arxiv.org. Over a hundred of acquisitions.
- Technologies: .NET, C#, Visual Studio

## Freelance Programmer

2009

- \* A large Fortran application was parallelized using OpenMP. Resulted in nearly linear-scalability of the program on multi-core machines. Received a 5-star review for the project.
- Technologies: Multi-threaded debugging, Fortran

# Academic Experience

## Postdoctoral Associate, CIERA, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL Aug 2016 – present

- Perform research on fluid dynamics of celestial objects, such as forming-planets and galaxies. Develop object-oriented C++ code to solve fluid problems based on the finite-difference method.
- Present published results in conferences/seminars as invited speaker.
- \* Awarded Microsoft Azure Research Grant in 2017 for code development (\$20000)

#### Postdoc Fellow, Institute of Astronomy and Astrophysics, Taipei

Oct 2013 - Aug 2016

- Developed a Python program to perform parallel execution of Fortran code on the multi-node environment.
- Participated in team development of a high-performance computational fluid dynamics code. Developed a parallel solver for Poisson equation using Fast Fourier Transform.
- \* Awarded a postdoctoral fellowship and a national paper award in 2015 for the project.
- Organized an international workshop and a Hack Day. Taught a course on Python in a summer school.

#### Research Assistant, UC San Diego, La Jolla, CA

Aug 2008 - Sep 2013

- Created a new numerical algorithm to solve the coupled nonlinear differential equations.
- \* Awarded 200,000 cpu-hours from national computing facilities (Teragrid) to perform high-throughput parameter-sweeping calculations.

## **Additional Information**

Languages Chinese (Native), English (Professional)

#### Technical Skills (selected)

- Working: C++, Python, Git, bash shell, Fortran, Linux; Basic: C, CUDA
- Experience in HPC (OpenMPI), cloud computing (AWS, Azure), and machine learning (tensorflow, keras)
- Others: Mathematica, docker