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RESEARCH INTERESTS

◆ Galaxy-Halo Connection

☐ Galaxy groups ☐ Secondary galaxy-halo connections ☐ Observational signature

◆ Connecting Galaxies/Structures across Cosmic Time

☐ Protocluster identification ☐ Protocluster-descendant cluster connections ☐ Stellar mass assembly histories

◆ Galaxy Quenching

☐ Internal quenching ☐ Environmental quenching

EDUCATION

Tsinghua University

Ph.D. in Astronomy

Thesis: Finding galaxy groups/clusters at $z \sim 1$ and its application

Thesis adviser: Prof. Cheng Li & Prof. Houjun Mo

Sep. 2017 - Jul. 2022

The University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Visiting Scholar

Supervisor: Prof. Houjun Mo

Nov. 2019 - Oct. 2021

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

B.S. in Astronomy

Sep. 2013 - Jul. 2017

EXPERIENCE

Kavli Institute for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Peking University

KIAA Fellow

Jul. 2022 - Now

The University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Visiting Scholar

Nov. 2019 - Oct. 2021

ADVISES

• Zeyu Gao, graduate at Peking University

Co-advising with Prof. Yingjie Peng

Project: Decoding the spectral energy distributions of galaxies with the knowledge from hydrodynamical simulations

• Xunda Sun, graduate at University of Chinese Academy of Sciences

Co-advising with Prof. Xin Wang

Project: The spatial variance of metallicity for simulated galaxies in FIRE-2

• Zhijun Zhang, former undergraduate at Peking University

Co-advising with Prof. Yingjie Peng

Bachelor Thesis: Identify protoclusters from high-redshift photometric galaxy surveys

SERVICE

- **Professional Service**

Referee for ApJ and A &A

- **Departmental Service**

Co-organizer of the speaker lunch at the Tsinghua Center for Astrophysics

2018-2019

Co-organizer of the postdoc science day at KIAA

2022

TEACHING

- Observational Cosmology

Teaching Assistant, Tsinghua University, Autumn 2017

- Particle Cosmology

Teaching Assistant, USTC, Spring 2017

- General Relativity

Teaching Assistant, USTC, Autumn 2016

REFERENCES

- Prof. Houjun Mo

✉ hjmo@umass.edu

University of Massachusetts, Amherst

- Prof. Cheng Li

✉ cli2015@tsinghua.edu.cn

Tsinghua University

- Prof. Yingjie Peng

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Peking University

- Prof. Zheng Cai

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Tsinghua University

GRANTS

- KIAA fellow start-up research funding

50,000CNY

Jul. 2022 - Jul. 2024

- China Scholarship for the visiting scholar

China Scholarship Council (CSC), \$45,600

Nov. 2019 - Oct. 2021

- National Astronomy Training Base

Measure the conditional luminosity functions of galaxies at $z \sim 0.6$ using CLAUDS and BOSS, 20,000CNY

Jun. 2016 - Jun. 2017

- National Astronomy Training Base

Thermal gravitational-wave background in the general pre-inflationary scenario, 20,000CNY

May 2015 - May 2016

HONORS AND AWARDS

- KIAA Fellowship

2022

- MUST Fellowship (declined)

2022

- Comprehensive scholarship (2nd class)

2020

- Comprehensive scholarship (1st class)

2019

- Outstanding Graduate of USTC

2017

- National Inspirational Award

2016

- Encouraging Scholars of USTC

2016

- Excellent Student Scholarship (Silver Award)

2014

- Excellent Student Scholarship (Bronze Award)

2013

TALKS

- Collaboration Workshop on Cosmology and Galaxy Formation
Speaker Shanghai, Jun. 2023
- 25th Chinese Astronomical Society Guoshoujing Symposium on Galaxies and Cosmology
Speaker (Best oral presentation) Huangshan, May 2023
- Conference of Star Formation and Nuclei Activity in Galaxies
Speaker Nanjing, Mar. 2023
- KIAA-DoA Seminar, Peking University
Invited speaker Beijing, Mar. 2023
- Lunch Talk at the Department of Astronomy, Tsinghua University
Invited speaker Beijing, Nov. 2022
- Lunch Talk at Kavli-IPMU, University of Tokyo
Invited speaker Remote, Jun. 2021
- Journal Club at University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Speaker Amherst MA, Mar. 2021
- The 11-th Prime Focus Spectrograph collaboration meeting
Speaker Pasadena CA, Dec. 2019
- The 10-th Prime Focus Spectrograph collaboration meeting
Speaker Shanghai, Dec. 2018

PUBLICATION

♦ 19 publications (16 refereed + 3 submitted); 8 as the first/corresponding author (8 refereed)

♦ 136 citations

♦ [Open in NASA/ADS Library](#)

First/Corresponding* author papers:

- Environmental dependence of the mass-metallicity relation in cosmological hydrodynamical simulations
Kai Wang, Xin Wang, Yangyao Chen
[2023, ApJ, 951 66 \(arXiv:2305.08161\)](#)
- Late-formed halos prefer to host quiescent central galaxies. I. Observational results
Kai Wang, Yangyao Chen, Qingyang Li, Xiaohu Yang
[2023, MNRAS, Volume 522, Issue 2 \(arXiv:2304.07189\)](#)
- Dissect two-halo galactic conformity effect: The dependence of star formation activities on the large-scale environment for central galaxies
Kai Wang, Yingjie Peng, Yangyao Chen
[2023, MNRAS, Volume 523, Issue 1 \(arXiv:2304.06886\)](#)
- Relating galaxies across different redshift to study galaxy evolution
Kai Wang, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, Yangyao Chen
[2023, MNRAS, Volume 520, Issue 2 \(arXiv:2211.00485\)](#)
- Finding proto-clusters to trace galaxy evolution: I. The finder and its performance
Kai Wang, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, Yangyao Chen
[2021, MNRAS Volume 505, 3892 \(arXiv:2104.12223\)](#)
- Identifying galaxy groups at high redshift from incomplete spectroscopic data: I. The group finder and application to zCOSMOS
Kai Wang, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, Jiacheng Meng, Yangyao Chen
[2020, MNRAS Volume 499, 89 \(arXiv:2006.05426\)](#)
- Thermal gravitational-wave background in the general pre-inflationary scenario
Kai Wang, Larissa Santo, Jun-Qing Xia, Wen Zhao
[2017, JCAP 01, 053 \(arXiv:1608.04189\)](#)

- Smoothing methods comparison for CMB E- and B-mode separation

Yi-Fan Wang, **Kai Wang***, Wen Zhao

2016, *Research in Astronomy and Astrophysics* 16, 4 (arXiv:1511.01220)

Co-author papers:

- Massive Dark Matter Halos at High Redshift: Implications for Observations in the JWST Era

Yangyao Chen, H.J. Mo, **Kai Wang**

2023, *Submitted to MNRAS* (arXiv:2304.13890)

- Measuring galaxy abundance and clustering at high redshift from incomplete spectroscopic data: Tests on mock catalogs

Jiacheng Meng, Cheng Li, Houjun Mo, Yangyao Chen, **Kai Wang**

2023, *Submitted to ApJ* (arXiv:2008.13733)

- A Conditional Abundance Matching Method of Extending Simulated Halo Merger Trees to Resolve Low-Mass Progenitors and Sub-halos

Yangyao Chen, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, **Kai Wang**, Huiyuan Wang, Xiaohu Yang

2023, *Submitted to MNRAS* (arXiv:2301.08972)

- MAHGIC: A Model Adapter for the Halo-Galaxy Inter-Connection

Yangyao Chen, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, **Kai Wang**, Huiyuan Wang, Xiaohu Yang, Youcai Zhang, Neal Katz

2021, *MNRAS Volume 507*, 2510 (arXiv:2106.03984)

- The clustering of galaxies in the DESI imaging legacy surveys DR8:I. the luminosity and color dependent intrinsic clustering

Zhaoyu Wang, Haojie Xu, Xiaohu Yang, Y. P. Jing, **Kai Wang**, Hong Guo, Fuyu Dong, Min He

2021, *Sci. China Phys. Mech. Astron.* 64, 289811 (arXiv:2106.14159)

- How to empirically model star formation in dark matter halos: I. Inferences about central galaxies from numerical simulations

Yangyao Chen, H. J. Mo, Cheng Li, **Kai Wang**

2021, *MNRAS, Volume 504*, 4865 (arXiv:2009.12467)

- Relating the structure of dark matter halos to their assembly and environment

Yangyao Chen, H.J. Mo, Cheng Li, Huiyuan Wang, Xiaohu Yang, Youcai Zhang, **Kai Wang**

2021, *ApJ*, 899 81 (arXiv:2003.05137)

- Superconducting cosmic strings as sources of cosmological fast radio bursts

Jia-Ni Ye, **Kai Wang**, Yi-Fu Cai

2017, *Eur. Phys. J. C* 77:720 (arXiv:1705.10956)

- Statistical imprints of CMB B-type polarization leakage in an incomplete sky survey analysis

Larissa Santo, **Kai Wang**, Yangrui Hu, Wenjuan Fang, Wen Zhao

2017, *JCAP* 01, 043 (arXiv:1612.03564)

- Probing the statistical properties of CMB B-mode polarization through Minkowski Functionals

Larissa Santo, **Kai Wang**, Wen Zhao

2016, *JCAP* 07, 029 (arXiv:1510.07779)