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EDUCATION

Pre-doctral fellow – Center for Astrophysics | Harvard & Smithsonian Astrophysics Observatory, Cambridge US

Apr. 2023-Oct. 2025

physics Observatory, Cambridge, US

o Advisor: Dr. Qizhou Zhang

Sep. 2020-present

o Advisor: Prof. Keping Qiu

B.S. in Astronomy – Nanjing University, Nanjing, China

Ph.D. in Astronomy – Nanjing University, Nanjing, China

Sep. 2016-Jun. 2020

o Advisor: Prof. Keping Qiu

RESEARCH INTEREST

o Massive star formation: Circumstellar disk and molecular outflows

• Magnetic field in ISM: Role of magnetic field in star formation

• Galactic center: Gas dynamics and star formation activities

EXPERIENCE

On-site observing at Submillimeter Array – 4 nights, Hilo, Hawaii, US

Nov. 2023

On-site observing at Tianma 65m telescope – 3 nights, Shanghai, China

Dec. 2019

Undergraduate research intern – National Astronomy Observatory of Japan,

Jul. 2019 - Aug. 2019

Tokyo, Japan

- o Investigate the morphology and dynamics of molecular clouds in the Galactic Center
- o Advisor: Dr. Xing Lu

Teaching Assistant - Nanjing University, Nanjing, China

Sep. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Teaching assistant for undergraduate course "Observational Astronomy"
- o Lecturers: Prof. Keping Qiu & Prof. Yong Shi.

APPROVED PI/CO-I OBSERVATIONAL PROPOSALS

- ALMA, "From rotating envelopes to Keplerian disks: imaging the innermost accretion flows in high-mass star formation", 21 hours
- ALMA, "Surveys of massive dense cores in Cygnus X: down to protostellar multiplicity and accretion disk", 13 hours
- ALMA, "What drives the mini starburst in Sgr B2?", 16 hours
- o ALMA, "A Census of Magnetic Fields inside Massive Dense Cores in the Central Molecular Zone", 41 hours
- NOEMA, "A census of circumstellar disks in Cygnus X", 15 hours (as PI)
- NOEMA, "Initial conditions of star formation in an isolated, massive, and quiescent molecular filament", 20
 hours
- SMA, "What's the role of core-scale magnetic field in the CMZ?", 4 tracks, about 30 hours (as PI)
- o IRAM-30m, "Investigating the internal structures in a massive and quiescent filament", 19 hours

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

Conference talks:

o New England Star & Planet Formation Meeting, Yale University, New Haven, CT Jul. 2025

• AAS 245th meeting, DC, Washington, US

Jan. 2025

o Harvard-Heidelberg 2024 Meeting, MPIA, Heidelberg, Germany,

Dec. 2024

o ACES Boston 2024 Meeting, CfA, Cambridge, MA, US

Aug. 2024

o New England Star & Planet Formation Meeting, MIT Haystack Observatory, New Haven, CT	Jul. 2024
o Magnetic Fields from Clouds to Stars (Bfields-2024), NAOJ, Mitaka, Tokyo, Japan	Mar. 2024
o Molecular clouds and star formation conference, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China	Aug. 2022
Workshop:	
o (Invited talk) ALMA Proposal Preparation Workshop, CfA, Cambridge, MA, US	Mar. 2025
o ALMA Data Reduction Party: Polarization, NRAO, Charlottesville, Virginia	Feb. 2025
o ALMA Data Processing Workshop, CfA, Cambridge, MA, US	Oct. 2024

PUBLICATION LIST

As of Aug. 2025, I have published eight referred papers, 4 first-author papers. Primary-author journal articles:

- 1. Pan, X., Zhang, Q., Qiu, K., Paré, D., Chuss, D., Butterfield, N., Tress, R., Sormani, M., Tang, Y., Longmore, S., Pillai, T., "Parallel Alignments between Magnetic Fields and Dense Structures in the Central Molecular Zone", ApJ in print (2025), arXiv:2508.04599 ☑
- 2. Pan, X., Qiu, K., Zhang, Q., "Surveys of clumps, cores, and condensations in Cygnus-X: Searching for Keplerian disks on the scale of 500 au", A&A, 696, 195, 2025, arXiv:2503.16712
- 3. Pan, X., Zhang, Q., Qiu, K., Rao, R., Zeng, L., Lu, X., Liu, J., "Magnetic Fields in Ministarburst Complex Sgr B2", ApJ, 972, 30, 2024, arXiv:2406.11800 🗹
- 4. Pan, X., Qiu, K., Yang, K., Cao, Y., Zhang, X., "Surveys of clumps, cores, and condensations in Cygnus-X: Searching for circumstellar disks", A&A, 684, 141, 2024, arXiv:2312.17455
- 5. Yang, K., Qiu, K., Pan, X., "Surveys of clumps, cores, and condensations in Cygnus-X: SMA observations of SiO (5-4)", A&A, 684, 140, 2024, arXiv:2312.04880

Contributing-author journal articles:

- 1. Zhao, Y., Zhang, Q., Liu, J., Pan, X., Zeng, L., "Dense Cores in IRDC G14.225-0.506 Revealed by ALMA Observations", ApJ, 984, 46, 2025, arXiv:2502.16413 ☑
- 2. Paré, D., Chuss, D., Karpovich, K., Butterfield, B., Iuliano, J., Pan, X., [...] "SOFIA/HAWC+ Far-infrared Polarimetric Large-area CMZ Exploration Survey. IV. Relative Magnetic Field Orientation throughout the CMZ", ApJ, 978, 28, 2025, arXiv:2410.10597 ☑
- 3. Zhang, X., Qiu, K., Zhang, Q., Cao, Y., Cheng, Y., Liu, J., Wang, Y., Lu, X., Pan, X., "Surveys of clumps, cores, and condensations in Cygnus-X: Temperature and nonthermal velocity dispersion revealed by VLA NH3 observations", A&A, 684, 142, 2024, arXiv:2403.03845

Newsletters:

1. Pan, X., Zhang, Q., Qiu, K., [...], "Magnetic Fields in Ministarburst Complex Sgr B2", Submillimeter Array Newsletter 2025, Science Highlights 🗹

AWARDS & HONORS

Awards:	
 Student Report Award, Molecular clouds and star formation conference 	Aug. 2022
o Nanjing University Principle scholarship	Sep. 2020
\circ Scholarships of National Top Talents Training Plan for Basic Disciplines, second prize	Nov. 2019
• National Observatory Scholarship	Dec. 2019

COLLABORATORS

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