

# CURRICULUM VITAE OF ZIANG YAN

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## EDUCATION

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**University of British Columbia, Vancouver** 2017.09-2021.08(expected)

PhD in Physics

Supervisor: Profs. Gary Hinshaw and Ludovic van Waerbeke

Proposed Thesis: *Probing the Universe with Multiple Large-scale Structure Tracers*

**University of British Columbia, Vancouver** 2015.07-2017.08

MSc in Astronomy

Supervisor: Prof. Gary Hinshaw

Major Courses GPA: 92/100

**Tsinghua University, Beijing** 2011.09-2015.07

BSc in Physics

Supervisor: Prof. Charling Tao

Major Courses GPA: 91/100

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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2020 President's Academic Excellence Initiative PhD Award (UBC)

2018-2022 UBC Four Year Doctoral Fellowship (UBC)

2016 Physics and Astronomy Graduate Scholarship (UBC)

2015 Faculty of Science Graduate Award (UBC)

2014 The outstanding academic scholarship of Guanghua (Tsinghua)

2013-2015 Tsinghua Xuetao scholarship (Tsinghua)

2013-2015 Member Student of Tsinghua Xuetao Physics Program (Tsinghua)

2012 The outstanding academic scholarship of Zheng Geru (Tsinghua)

## REFERENCES

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Prof. Gary Hinshaw Department of Physics and Astronomy, UBC  
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## COMPUTER SKILLS

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<b>Language</b>	Python, Fortran, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, C, IDL
<b>Software &amp; Tools</b>	CAMB, Healpix, PYCCL, Tensorflow

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Graduate Research Assistant, University of British Columbia	2015.09-present
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Cosmology Group of Tsinghua University	2013.09-2015.08
Summer Research, APC, Paris	2014.07-2014.08
Tsinghua Student Research Training	2012-2013

## INTERNATIONAL PROJECT INVOLVED

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Kilo-Degree Survey (A large optical imaging survey in the Southern sky)	2019-Present
Cosmology Large Angular Scale Surveyor (A ground-based CMB polarization telescope)	2017-Present
Primordial Inflation Explorer (A proposed space mission to observe CMB polarization)	2016-2017

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. **Yan Z.**, et al., "*Probing Galaxy Bias and Intergalactic Gas Pressure with KiDS Galaxies-tSZ-CMB Lensing Cross-correlations*," (**In preparation**)
2. **Yan Z.**, Mead A. J., Van Waerbeke L., Hinshaw G., McCarthy I. G., 2020, "*Galaxy cluster mass estimation with deep learning and hydrodynamical simulations*," 2020, MNRAS, 499, 3445, doi:10.1093/mnras/staa3030, arXiv:2005.11819.
3. **Yan Z.**, Raza N., Van Waerbeke L., Mead A. J., McCarthy I. G., Tröster T., Hinshaw G., "*An analysis of galaxy cluster mis-centring using cosmological hydrodynamic simulations*," 2020, MNRAS, 493, 1120, doi:10.1093/mnras/staa295, arXiv:1912.06663.
4. **Yan Z.**, Hojjati A., Tröster T., Hinshaw G., van Waerbeke L., "*An Assessment of Contamination in the thermal-SZ Map Using Cross Correlations*," 2019, ApJ, 884, 139, doi:10.3847/1538-4357/ab40b2, arXiv:1809.09636.
5. Iuliano J., Eimer J., Parker L., Rhoades G., Ali A., Appel J. W., Bennett C., et al., "*The Cosmology Large Angular Scale Surveyor Receiver Design*," 2018, SPIE, 10708, 1070828, doi:10.1117/12.2312954, arXiv:1807.04167.
6. Harrington K., Eimer J., Chuss D. T., Petroff M., Cleary J., DeGeorge M., Grunberg T. W., et al., "*Variable-delay polarization modulators for the CLASS telescopes*," 2018, SPIE, 10708, 107082M, doi:10.1117/12.2313614
7. Dahal S., Ali A., Appel J. W., Essinger-Hileman T., Bennett C., Brewer M., Bustos R., et al., "*Design and characterization of the Cosmology Large Angular Scale Surveyor (CLASS) 93 GHz focal plane*," 2018, SPIE, 10708, 107081Y, doi:10.1117/12.2311812, arXiv:1807.03927.

## TALKS AND POSTERS

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### Talks

- Probing Galaxy Bias and Intergalactic Gas Pressure with KiDS Galaxies-tSZ-CMB Lensing Cross-correlations (Group seminar in Prof.Daniel Gruen and Prof.Stella Seitz's groups, online, 2020)
- Probing Galaxy Bias and Intergalactic Gas Pressure with KiDS Galaxies-tSZ-CMB Lensing Cross-correlations (Tsung-Dao Lee Institute seminar talk, online, 2020)

- Probing Galaxy Bias and Intergalactic Gas Pressure with KiDS Galaxies-tSZ-CMB Lensing Cross-correlations (KiDS-WL Telecon, online, 2020)
- Galaxy Cluster Mass Estimations with Convolutional Neural Network and BAHAMAS Simulation (Astronomy Colloquium, UBC, 2020)
- Galaxy Cluster Mass Estimations with Convolutional Neural Network and BAHAMAS Simulation (UBC-SFU-TRIUMF adjoint meeting, 2020)
- An analysis of galaxy cluster mis-centring using large scale hydrodynamical simulations (UBC-SFU-TRIUMF adjoint meeting, 2019)
- Galaxy Cluster Mass Estimations with Convolutional Neural Network and BAHAMAS Simulation (Invited talk at Institut d'Astrophysique Spatiale, 2019)
- Estimate the  $\kappa$ -CIB Contamination in  $\kappa$ -y Cross Correlation (UBC-SFU-TRIUMF adjoint meeting, 2017)
- Dark Energy as Cosmological Constant (Workshop at SSI2017)
- Reconstruct tSZ  $y$  map with Planck and ACT Data (Cosmology Group Seminar at THCA, 2016)
- Noise Analysis for QUBIC Instrument (Tsinghua Xuetang Physics Program Summer Internship Report, 2014)

## Posters

- Galaxy Cluster Mis-centring Analysis with BAHAMAS Simulation (CosmoGold, IAP2019)
- Evaluation of Contamination in the Reconstructed tSZ signal: Taking  $\kappa \times y$  as an Example (SSI2017)

## WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS

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| • CosmoGold IAP 2019 Workshop             | IAP, Paris, France, 2019.06 |
| • SSI SLAC Summer Institute 2017 Workshop | SLAC, CA, USA, 2017.08      |
| • Frontier Conference in Cosmology        | Beijing, China, 2014.06     |

## TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to Stars and Galaxies (UBC, 2018 Winter);
- Introductory Physics Laboratory for Engineers (UBC, 2018 Winter);
- Electricity, Light and Radiation (UBC, 2018 Summer);
- Energy and Waves (UBC, 2015 Winter);
- Introductory Physics (UBC, 2015 Winter);

### Grader

- Theory of Measurement (UBC, 2020 Winter)
- High Energy Astrophysics (UBC, 2019 Winter)
- Group Theory (UBC, 2019 Winter)
- Cosmology (UBC, 2018 Winter)

## Mentorship

Angela Zhou (high-school student): *An investigation of a dark matter-dark energy interaction model to explain discrepancies in Hubble rate measurements.*(2019-present)

## OUTREACH

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### Public talks

- Kick Start the Universe (Three Minute Thesis Competition, UBC, 2017)
- Introduction to Astronomy (Xinhuang No.1 Middle School, Hunan, China, 2015)
- Introduction to Cosmology (Tsinghua Xuetang Program, 2015)

### Book Translation (To Chinese)

- *Gravity: A Very Short Introduction* by Timothy Clifton; ISBN: 9787544392730
- *El sistema solar (The Solar System)* by Joel Gabas Masip; in-print

### Other activities

- Writing science popularization articles on Chinese social media (2015-2020, with  $\sim 200k$  readings)
- Outreach activity with Astronomy Club of High School Affiliated to Minzu University, Beijing (2015)
- Volunteer in stargazing activities (organized by Astronomy Club of Tsinghua University, 2014, 2015)

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Mandarin (Mother Tongue), English (Proficient), Japanese (Intermediate), German (Daily conversations), Cantonese (Moderate)