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4<sup>th</sup> year, major in physics with astrophysics concentration

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# Relevant Coursework - Semesters 1-7

<b>Cumulative GPA:</b> 3.65 (without 7 <sup>th</sup> semester)			In-major GPA: 3.68		
•	ASTR-250	Astronomical Techniques	•		P
•	ASTR-212	Intro Astrophysics II: cosmol	ogy •		F

- ASTR-211 Intro Astrophysics I: orbits, stars
- PHYS-533 Topics in Cosmology
- PHYS-531 Advanced Quantum Mechanics
- PHYS-516 Electromagnetic Phenomena
- PHYS-505 Introduction to Cosmology
- PHYS-503 General Relativity
- PHYS-500 Math Methods of Physics
- PHYS-414 Lab in Modern Physics

- PHYS-412 Intro to Quantum Mechanics II
- PHYS-411 Intro to Quantum Mechanics I
- PHYS-401 Thermodynamics
- PHYS-362 Electromagnetism II
- PHYS-361 Electromagnetism I
- PHYS-171 Honors Physics II:

#### Electromagnetism

- PHYS-170 Honors Physics I: MechanicsMATH-425 Partial Differential Equations
- MATH-314 Advanced Linear Algebra

## Skills

- Advanced use of Python, Julia, LaTeX, and Java, some experience in OCaml and C++
- Usage of computing clusters through both JupyterLab and SLURM
- Some exposure to machine learning libraries such as PyTorch
- Astronomical image analysis using SAOImageDS9

### **Experiences**

Information Universe Conference- Groningen, Netherlands

2022

**Research-** University of Groningen/University of Edinburgh

- 2022-present
- Computationally extended 2-dimensional N-body caustic solution to 3 dimensions
- Currently working with Rien van de Weygaert and Job Feldbrugge on caustic analysis of cosmological simulations
- Developing caustics python package and writing paper on topological features of caustics

#### Junior Year Research and Senior Thesis- University of Pennsylvania

2021-present

- Studying large scale structure and cosmic void distributions and shapes using persistent homology
- Working with IllustrisTNG-300 simulation in Python and Julia
- Authoring and aiming to publish paper with UPenn professor Ravi K. Sheth

#### Teaching Assistant (TA)

2021-present

- Conducting "Peer-Led Team-Learning" sessions for introductory mechanics and electromagnetism classes
- Led introductory physics labs

#### Science Olympiad at UPenn (and other universities)

2019-present

• Wrote 10+ astronomy and circuit lab exams for high school students at all levels of competition.

#### **High School Science Olympiad**

2016-2019

- Top 20 team in the nation; over 70 individual medals from competitions including a 4<sup>th</sup> place national medal
- Astronomy, Optics, Remote Sensing, Circuit Lab, Fermi Questions

#### USA Astronomy and Astrophysics Organization competition

2017-2019

• Qualified for final round exam and then scored in the top 25%

#### Pennsylvania Governor's School for the Sciences at Carnegie Mellon

2018