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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Weak lensing cosmology — Image processing & simulation — Photometric redshift — Bayesian statistics & Machine learning — Data analysis & visualization — Open-source software development

EMPLOYMENT

Research Assistant Professor , <i>University of Pittsburgh</i>	<i>September. 2023 – Present.</i>
Graduate Research Assistant , <i>Carnegie Mellon University</i>	<i>Sep. 2018 – July. 2023</i>
Machine Learning Engineer , <i>internship, IBM</i>	<i>May. 2018 – Aug. 2018</i>
Undergraduate Research Assistant , <i>Duke University</i>	<i>Jan. 2017 – May. 2018</i>

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University , <i>Pittsburgh, PA</i> <i>Ph.D. in Physics</i>	<i>July 2023</i>
Thesis: Enabling the Weak Lensing Science of the 2020s; Advisors: Rachel Mandelbaum	
Duke University , <i>Durham, NC</i> <i>B.S. in Physics (with high distinction), minor in Computer Science, Mathematics</i>	<i>May 2018</i>
Thesis: Measuring the Chromatic Effect of Point Spread Function, Advisor: Christopher Walter	
Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) , <i>Shanghai, China</i> <i>(international program, transferred to Duke)</i>	

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSIONS

Pixels-to-Objects Working Group co-convener , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2023-Present.</i>
RAIL Topical Team co-lead , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2024-Present.</i>
Collaboration Council , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2022-2024</i>
Membership Committee , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2022-2024</i>
2024 Sprint Week Tutorial Organizer , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2024</i>
2023 Sprint Week Local Organizing Committee , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2023</i>
2022 Summer Meeting Scientific Organizing Committee , <i>LSST DESC</i>	<i>2022</i>
AstroLunch Seminar Organizer , <i>McWilliams Center of Cosmology</i>	<i>2022-2023</i>
"Impossible Problems" Seminar Series Organizer , <i>McWilliams Center of Cosmology</i>	<i>2022-2023</i>
Software Development Series Organizer , <i>McWilliams Center of Cosmology</i>	<i>2020-2021</i>
Graduate Program Admission Committee , <i>Department of Physics, CMU</i>	<i>2021-2022</i>

COLLABORATION AFFILIATIONS

Research Scientist, LINCC Frameworks
Full Member (applying for Builder), LSST Dark Energy Science Collaboration (DESC)
Continuing Collaborator, Hyper-Suprime Cam (HSC)
Member of PSF and Photo-z Commissioning Team, Rubin Observatory
Member, Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)
Member, Roman Space Telescope Project and Infrastructure Team (Roman PIT)

PUBLICATIONS

Citation Summary: 16 Published, 5 in press, citation: 542, h-index: 11.

First and Second Author Publications

- T. ZHANG, X. Li, R. Dalal, R. Mandelbaum, M. A. Strauss, A. Kannawadi et al., *A general framework for removing point-spread function additive systematics in cosmological weak lensing analysis*, *MNRAS* **525** (2023) 2441 [2212.03257]
- T. ZHANG, M. M. Rau, R. Mandelbaum, X. Li and B. Moews, *Photometric redshift uncertainties in weak gravitational lensing shear analysis: models and marginalization*, *MNRAS* **518** (2023) 709 [2206.10169]
- X. Li, T. ZHANG, S. Sugiyama, R. Dalal, R. Terasawa, M. M. Rau et al., *Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 results: Cosmology from cosmic shear two-point correlation functions*, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 123518 [2304.00702]
- T. ZHANG, H. Almoubayyed, R. Mandelbaum, J. E. Meyers, M. Jarvis, A. Kannawadi et al., *Impact of point spread function higher moments error on weak gravitational lensing - II. A comprehensive study*, *MNRAS* **520** (2023) 2328 [2205.07892]
- T. ZHANG, R. Mandelbaum and LSST Dark Energy Science Collaboration, *Impact of point spread function higher moments error on weak gravitational lensing*, *MNRAS* **510** (2022) 1978 [2107.05644]
- T. Ferreira, T. ZHANG, N. Chen, S. Dodelson and LSST Dark Energy Science Collaboration, *Data compression and covariance matrix inspection: Cosmic shear*, *Phys. Rev. D* **103** (2021) 103535 [2010.15986]

Co-authored Papers

- A. Park, S. Singh, X. Li, R. Mandelbaum and T. ZHANG, *A Consistent Cosmic Shear Analysis in Harmonic and Real Space*, *arXiv e-prints* (2024) arXiv:2404.02190 [2404.02190]
- I. Mendoza, A. Torchylo, T. Sainrat, A. Guinot, A. Boucaud, M. Paillassa et al., *The Blending ToolKit: A simulation framework for evaluation of galaxy detection and deblending*, *arXiv e-prints* (2024) arXiv:2409.06986 [2409.06986]
- Q. Hang, B. Joachimi, E. Charles, J. F. Crenshaw, P. Larsen, A. I. Malz et al., *Impact of survey spatial variability on galaxy redshift distributions and the cosmological 3×2 -point statistics for the Rubin Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST)*, *arXiv e-prints* (2024) arXiv:2409.02501 [2409.02501]
- R. Terasawa, X. Li, M. Takada, T. Nishimichi, S. Tanaka, S. Sugiyama et al., *Exploring the baryonic effect signature in the Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 cosmic shear two-point correlations on small scales: the S_8 tension remains present*, *arXiv e-prints* (2024) arXiv:2403.20323 [2403.20323]
- M. Yamamoto, K. Laliotis, E. Macbeth, T. ZHANG, C. M. Hirata, M. A. Troxel et al., *Simulating image coaddition with the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope - II. Analysis of the simulated images and implications for weak lensing*, *MNRAS* **528** (2024) 6680 [2303.08750]
- C. M. Hirata, M. Yamamoto, K. Laliotis, E. Macbeth, M. A. Troxel, T. ZHANG et al., *Simulating image coaddition with the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope - I. Simulation methodology and general results*, *MNRAS* **528** (2024) 2533 [2303.08749]
- S. Sugiyama, H. Miyatake, S. More, X. Li, M. Shirasaki, M. Takada et al., *Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 results: Cosmology from galaxy clustering and weak lensing with HSC and SDSS using the minimal bias model*, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 123521 [2304.00705]
- S. More, S. Sugiyama, H. Miyatake, M. M. Rau, M. Shirasaki, X. Li et al., *Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 results: Measurements of clustering of SDSS-BOSS galaxies, galaxy-galaxy lensing, and cosmic shear*, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 123520 [2304.00703]
- R. Dalal, X. Li, A. Nicola, J. Zuntz, M. A. Strauss, S. Sugiyama et al., *Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 results: Cosmology from cosmic shear power spectra*, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 123519 [2304.00701]
- H. Miyatake, S. Sugiyama, M. Takada, T. Nishimichi, X. Li, M. Shirasaki et al., *Hyper Suprime-Cam Year 3 results: Cosmology from galaxy clustering and weak lensing with HSC and SDSS using the emulator based halo model*, *Phys. Rev. D* **108** (2023) 123517 [2304.00704]

- M. M. Rau, R. Dalal, T. ZHANG, X. Li, A. J. Nishizawa, S. More et al., *Weak lensing tomographic redshift distribution inference for the Hyper Suprime-Cam Subaru Strategic Program three-year shape catalogue*, *MNRAS* **524** (2023) 5109 [2211.16516]
- T. Sunayama, H. Miyatake, S. Sugiyama, S. More, X. Li, R. Dalal et al., *Optical Cluster Cosmology with SDSS redMaPPer clusters and HSC-Y3 lensing measurements*, *arXiv e-prints* (2023) arXiv:2309.13025 [2309.13025]
- M. A. Troxel, C. Lin, A. Park, C. Hirata, R. Mandelbaum, M. Jarvis et al., *A joint Roman Space Telescope and Rubin Observatory synthetic wide-field imaging survey*, *MNRAS* **522** (2023) 2801 [2209.06829]
- M. Yamamoto, M. A. Troxel, M. Jarvis, R. Mandelbaum, C. Hirata, H. Long et al., *Weak gravitational lensing shear estimation with METACALIBRATION for the Roman High-Latitude Imaging Survey*, *MNRAS* **519** (2023) 4241 [2203.08845]
- R. Mandelbaum, M. Jarvis, R. H. Lupton, J. Bosch, A. Kannawadi, M. D. Murphy et al., *PSFs of coadded images*, *The Open Journal of Astrophysics* **6** (2023) 5 [2209.09253]

Publication in progress

- T. ZHANG, S. Sugiyama, X. Li, S. More, R. Mandelbaum, A. Kannawadi et al., *Cosmology and Source Redshift Constraints from Galaxy Clustering and Tomographic Galaxy-Galaxy Lensing with HSC Y3 and SDSS using the Point-Mass Correction Model*, in prep.
- T. ZHANG, S. Sugiyama, X. Li, S. More, R. Mandelbaum, A. Kannawadi et al., *3x2pt Cosmology from Galaxy Clustering and Tomographic Weak Lensing with HSC Y3 and SDSS using the Point-Mass Correction Model*, in prep.
- T. ZHANG, H. Almoubayyed, R. Mandelbaum, M. Rau, N. Sarcevic, J. Newman et al., *Forecasting the Impact of Photometric Redshift Uncertainties on the LSST 3x2pt Analysis*, in prep.

TALKS

(Invited talks denoted by “†”)

- Roman PIT workshop**, Caltech, Pasadena, CA Oct. 2024
Developing RAIL: a platform for photometric redshift production and research
- DESC Forecast Topical Team**, online Oct. 2024
Forecasting the Impact of Photometric Redshift Uncertainties on the LSST 3x2pt Analysis
- Rubin Community Workshop**, SLAC, Menlo Park, CA Aug. 2024
PSF Requirement for Cosmic Shear with LSST
- Rubin Community Workshop**, SLAC, Menlo Park, CA Aug. 2024
RAIL Status updates: v1.0 release
- † **LSST Discovery Alliance Monthly Meeting**, online Jul. 2024
Developing RAIL: A platform for LSST photometric redshift production and research
- † **DES Weak Lensing Group Meeting**, online Apr. 2023
HSC Y3 Cosmology Results Seminar
- DESC Photometric Redshift Group Meeting**, online Apr. 2023
HSC Y3 Cosmology Results Seminar: Photometric Redshift
- HSC Y3 Cosmology Results Webinar**, online Apr. 2023
Source Redshift Distribution Inference, PSF Systematics Inference
- † **Research Faculty Seminar**, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA Feb. 2023
Weak Lensing Cosmology and its Technical Challenges in the 2020s
- † **Princeton Cosmology Discussion**, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ Sept. 2022
Why do we care about redshift distribution in cosmic shear for Cosmology?
- Princeton HSC+PFS+Rubin Group Meeting**, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ Sept. 2022
Point Spread Function in Cosmic Shear: Simulation, Modeling and Marginalization

International High-Performance Computing Summer School , Athens, Greece <i>Pixel to Catalog to Science: the weak lensing image processing and analysis pipeline</i>	Jun. 2022
HSC Weak Lensing Group Meeting , online <i>Impact of PSF Higher Moments on Cosmic Shear Measurement</i>	May. 2022
DESC Collaboration Wide Presentation , online <i>Impact of Point Spread Function Higher-moments Error on Weak Lensing II</i>	May. 2022
DESC 2020 Winter Meeting , University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ <i>Impact of Point Spread Function Higher-moments Error on Weak Lensing</i>	Jan. 2020
DESC 2020 Winter Meeting , University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ <i>Impact of Point Spread Function Higher-moments Error on Weak Lensing</i>	Jan. 2020
DESC Theory and Joint Probe Group Meeting , University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ <i>Data Compression and Covariance Matrices Inspection: Cosmic Shear</i>	Oct. 2019
Asia-Pacific Astronomy & Engineering Summit , University of Hawaii, Hilo, HI <i>Studies of Reaching and Going Beyond the Seeing Limit of Ground-based Telescopes: Adaptive Optics</i>	Aug. 2014

POSTERS

Rubin Project & Community Workshop 2022 , Tucson, AZ <i>Lensed by the atmosphere: PSF systematics in weak lensing analysis</i>	Aug. 2022
Machine Learning Student Poster Session , Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh PA <i>Image Segmentation with Uncertainty Quantification using Bayesian U-Net</i>	May. 2021
Cosmic Controversies Conference , University of Chicago, Chicago IL <i>Data Compression and Covariance Matrices Inspection: Cosmic Shear</i>	Oct. 2019
Undergraduate Research Poster Session , Duke University, Durham NC <i>Measuring the Chromatic Effect of Point Spread Function in Optical Wavelength</i>	Apr. 2018
Undergraduate Research Poster Session , Duke University, Durham NC <i>Building the Portable Neutron Beam Imager using 2-D Position-Sensitive Photomultiplier Tubes</i>	Apr. 2017

TEACHING & MENTORING

Student Supervision/Mentoring (UG=undergrad students, G=graduate students)

- **Michael Murphy (CMU, UG)**: Result in co-authorship of a publication (“PSFs of coadded images”)
- **Mahitha Ramachandran (Pitt, UG)**: NASA Space Grant Spring 2024 “Impact of Background Residual on Shear Estimation”
- **Sean Maloney (Pitt, UG)**: NASA Space Grant Summer 2024 “Measure the Cosmic Proper Motion Using GAIA data”
- **Federico Berlfein (CMU, G)**: June 2023-present, “Chromatic Effects on the PSF and Shear Measurement for the *Roman* High-Latitude Imaging Survey ”
- **Andy Park (CMU, G)**: Oct. 2021-Mar. 2024, “A Consistent Cosmic Shear Analysis in Harmonic and Real Space”

Graduate Teaching Assistant

- Physics I for Engineering Students (33-141), Fall 2018
- Electronics (33-228), Spring 2019
- Classical Electrodynamics I (33-761), Fall 2019

MEDIA COVERAGE

- New Scientist**, *Weird cosmic clumping hints our understanding of the universe is wrong* 2023
<https://www.newscientist.com/article/mg26034694-800-weird-cosmic-clumping-hints-our-understanding-of-the-universe-is-wrong/>
- Live Science**, *Unexpected cosmic clumping could disprove our best understanding of the universe* 2023
<https://www.livescience.com/space/unexpected-cosmic-clumping-could-disprove-our-best-understanding-of-the-universe>
- Carnegie Mellon University Stories**, *Weak Gravitational Lensing Tests the Cosmological Model* 2023
<https://www.cmu.edu/news/stories/archives/2023/april/weak-gravitational-lensing-tests-the-cosmological-model>
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FUNDING PROPOSALS

- Rubin Observatory Enabling Science Award**, \$ 2,100 2022
- Code Tutorial to Enable Participation**, PI, \$ 14,220 2023
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PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Carnegie Mellon High School Astronomy Mentoring Project**, 2022
- Galaxy.io: a pedagogical multiplayer game**, 2022
- SJTU Astronomy Club**, *Chair* 2015-2016
- Shanghai Science & Technology Museum Volunteer**, *200 hours* 2015-2016
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AWARDS

- Dean's List with Distinction**, 2018
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- Sigma Pi Sigma**, 2018
- Guanghua Scholarship**, *top 5%* 2016
- Pacific-Asia Astronomy Olympiad**, *Second Diploma* 2012
- China Astronomy Olympiad**, *First Diploma* 2012
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JOURNAL REFEREE

Monthly Notice of Royal Astronomical Society, Astronomy & Astrophysics, Astronomical Journal, Publications of the Astronomical Society of Australia, Publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific

RELEVANT SKILLS

Python: NumPy, PyTorch, Pandas, TensorFlow, Matplotlib, Butler

Other Languages: Java, Swift 3.0, MATLAB, C#, SQL

Tasks: Version Control (git), Parallel Computing (MPI, Multiprocessing), Supervised Learning (PyTorch, TensorFlow), Job systems (SLURM, PBS)

REFERENCES

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