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## Research Areas

Large-scale Structure, Galaxy Clustering, Dark matter & Dark energy, Cosmic Microwave Background, Cosmological Simulations, Statistical Inferences, Galaxy Formation and Evolution

## Appointment

Postdoctoral Scholar; Caltech/IPAC, 8/2018 - present  
Advisor: Yun Wang

## Education

**Ph.D.**, Physics, New York University, Sept. 2013- May. 2018.  
Advisor: Michael Blanton, Jeremy Tinker

**M.S.**, Physics, Beijing Normal University, Sept. 2010- Jul. 2013.

**B.S.**, Physics, Beijing Normal University, Sept. 2006-Jul. 2010.

## Teaching Experience

**2014-2015**, Teaching Assistant, Department of Physics, New York University

Course: Einstein's Universe; Sound and Music; General Physics

**2011**, Teaching Assistant, Department of Physics, Beijing Normal University

Course: General Relativity

## Awards

**2016-2018**: James Arthur Graduate Award, CCPP, NYU

**2013-2016**: Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship, NYU

**2013**: Outstanding Graduate of the City of Beijing

**2012**: National Scholarship for Graduate Student

## Presentation/Seminar/Conference

- 08/2020**, talk at GISS2020, Caltech/IPAC
- 03/2020**, seminar talk at Caltech/IPAC
- 01/2020**, poster and spotlight talk, BCCP workshop, UC Berkeley
- 6/2019**, seminar talk at KIPAC, Stanford University, CA
- 5/2019**, workshop: Emulation of Galaxy Clustering, CCAPP, OSU, OH
- 5/2019**, talk at the youth forum of Nanjing University, China
- 10/2018**, ATLAS workshop, Caltech
- 07/2018**, seminar talk at Nanjing University
- 02/2018**, talk at eBOSS Collaboration Meeting, Munich, Germany
- 01/2018**, talk at Modeling the Extragalactic Sky meeting, UC Berkeley, CA
- 12/2017**, seminar talk at CCAPP, Ohio State University, OH
- 04/2017**, Massive Neutrino Workshop, Math for America, NY
- 08/2016**, Boss Lunch Talk, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, CA
- 06/2013**, Annual meeting of Division of Gravitation and Relativistic Astrophysics of the Chinese Physical society, Guangzhou, Guangdong
- 08/2011**, Annual meeting of Division of Gravitation and Relativistic Astrophysics of the Chinese Physical society, Datong, Shanxi

## Grant/Proposal/Computing

PI, 1,000,000 CPU hours, 20 TB storage on XSEDE/Comet (TG-AST180059, 12/2018-12/2019)

PI, 681,000 CPU hours, 8 TB storage on XSEDE/Comet (TG-AST180059, 12/2019-12/2020)

## Community Service

Referee for ApJ, MNRAS, ApSS

## Students Mentoring/Outreach

Research mentor of Freshman Summer Research Institute (FSRI) 2020 at Caltech

Gilbert Castro, undergraduate at Caltech

## Publications

- [23] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *Clustering in the Simulated H $\alpha$  Galaxy Redshift Survey from Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope*, arXiv: 2008.09746
- [22] **Zhongxu Zhai**, Yun Wang & Dan Scolnic, *Forecasting Cosmological Constraints from the Weak Lensing Magnification of Type Ia Supernovae Measured by the Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope*, PRD accepted, arXiv: 2008.06804
- [21] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *CMB distance priors revisited: effects of dark energy dynamics, spatial curvature, primordial power spectrum, and neutrino parameters*, JCAP 07 (2020) 009, arXiv: 1912.04921
- [20] Thomas Mc Clintock et. al., *The Aemulus Project IV: Emulating Halo Bias*, arXiv: 1907.13167
- [19] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *Prediction of H $\alpha$  and [OIII] Emission Line Galaxy Number Counts for Future Galaxy Redshift Surveys*, Mon.Not.Roy.Astron.Soc. 490 (2019) 3, arXiv: 1907.09680
- [18] **Zhongxu Zhai** & Yun Wang, *Reconstructing the weak lensing magnification distribution of Type Ia supernovae*, PRD, 8, 083525 (2019) arXiv:1901.08175
- [17] **Zhongxu Zhai** & Yun Wang, *Robust and model-independent cosmological constraints from distance measurements*, JCAP, 07, 005 (2019), arXiv:1811.07425
- [16] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *Aemulus Project III: Emulation of the galaxy correlation function*, ApJ, 874, 95 (2019) arXiv: 1804.05867
- [15] Thomas Mc Clintock et. al., *The Aemulus Project II: Emulating the Halo Mass Function*, ApJ, 872, 53 (2019) arXiv: 1804.05866
- [14] Joseph DeRose et. al., *The Aemulus Project I: Numerical Simulations for Precision Cosmology*, ApJ, 875, 69 (2019), arXiv: 1804.04865
- [13] Julian E. Bautista et. al., *The SDSS-IV extended Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey: Baryon Acoustic Oscillations at redshift of 0.72 with the DR14 Luminous Red Galaxy Sample*, ApJ, 863, 110 (2018) [arXiv: 1712.08064]
- [12] **Zhongxu Zhai** & Michael Blanton, *A forecast for the detection of the power asymmetry from galaxy surveys*, ApJ, 850, 41 (2017) [arXiv:1707.06555]
- [11] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *An evaluation of cosmological models from expansion and growth of structure measurements*, ApJ, 850, 183 (2017) [arXiv:1705.10031]
- [10] **Zhongxu Zhai** et. al., *The clustering of luminous red galaxies at  $z \sim 0.7$  from eBOSS and BOSS data*, ApJ, 848, 76 (2017) [arXiv:1607.05383]
- [9] Shadab Alam et. al., *The clustering of galaxies in the completed SDSS-III Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey: cosmological analysis of the DR12 galaxy sample*, Mon. Not. Roy. Astron. Soc. 470, no.3, 2617–2652 (2017) [arXiv:1607.03155]
- [8] Kyle S. Dawson et. al., *The SDSS-IV extended Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey: Overview and Early Data*, Astron. J. 151, 44 (2016) [arXiv:1508.04473]
- [7] **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Ming-Jian Zhang, Zhi-Song Zhang, Xian-Ming Liu, Tong-Jie Zhang, *Reconstruction and constraining of the jerk parameter from OHD and SNe Ia observations*, Phys. Lett. B 727, 8 (2013) [arXiv:1303.1620]
- [6] Ming-Jian Zhang, Cong Ma, Zhi-Song Zhang, **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, and Tong-Jie Zhang, *Cosmological constraints on holographic dark energy models under the energy conditions* Phys. Rev. D 88, 063534 (2013)

- [5] **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Xian-Ming Liu, Zhi-Song Zhang, Tong-Jie Zhang, *Estimations of the cosmological parameters from the observational variation of the fine structure constant*, Res. Astron. Astrophys. **13** 1423 (2013), [arXiv:1207.2926]
- [4] Xian-Ming Liu, **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Kui Xiao, Wen-Biao Liu, *The accelerated scaling attractor solution of the interacting agegraphic dark energy in Brans-Dicke theory*, Eur. Phys. J. C **72**, 2057 (2012) [arXiv:1206.1911]
- [3] **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Tong-Jie Zhang, Wen-Biao Liu, *Constraints on  $\Lambda(t)$  CDM models as holographic and agegraphic dark energy with the observational Hubble parameter data*, JCAP, **08**, 019 (2011), [arXiv:1109.1661]
- [2] **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Hao-Yi Wan, Tong-Jie Zhang, *Cosmological constraints from radial baryon acoustic oscillation measurements and observational Hubble data*, Phys. Lett. B **689**, 8 (2010), [arXiv:1004.2599].
- [1] **Zhong-Xu Zhai**, Wen-Biao Liu, *Nernst theorem and Hawking radiation from a Reissner-Nordstrom black hole*, Astrophys. Space Sci. **325**, 63 (2010)

## References

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