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Professional preparation

Penn State University, University Park, PA Astronomy and Astrophysics B.S. 1994
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY Astronomy and Space Sciences M.S. 1997, Ph.D. 2001

Appointments

5/2015–present **Eberly Family Distinguished Professor**,
Dept. of Physics and Astronomy,
West Virginia University (WVU), Morgantown, WV
5/2014–5/2015 **Professor**, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, WVU
8/2011–5/2014 **Associate Professor**, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy
9/2009–9/2013 **Research Corporation Cottrell Scholar**
9/2008–9/2010 **Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow**
5/2006–present **Adjunct Staff Scientist**, Green Bank Observatory, Green Bank, WV
5/2006–8/2011 **Assistant Professor**, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, WVU
10/2003–5/2006 **Research Associate**, Jodrell Bank Observatory, University of Manchester, UK
9/2001–9/2003 **NSF Math and Physical Sciences Distinguished Research Fellow**
1994–9/2001 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Dept. of Astronomy,
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
1992–1994 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, Dept. of Astronomy
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Most Significant Publications¹

- [1] Alam, et al. for the NANOGrav Collaboration, 2021, *The NANOGrav 12.5 yr Data Set: Wide-band Timing of 47 Millisecond Pulsars*, ApJS, 252, 1.
- [2] Arzoumanian et al. for the NANOGrav Collaboration, 2020, *The NANOGrav 12.5 yr Data Set: Search for an Isotropic Stochastic Gravitational-wave*, ApJL, 905, 2.
- [3] Alam, et al. for the NANOGrav Collaboration, 2020, *Multimessenger Gravitational-wave Searches with Pulsar Timing Arrays: Application to 3C 66B Using the NANOGrav 11-year Data Set*, ApJ, 900, 2.
- [4] Blumer*, H., McLaughlin, M. A., Stewart, J., Williamson, K., Lorimer, D. R., Heatherly, S. A., Swiggum, J. K., Lynch, R. S., Zabriskie, C., Lewandowska*, N., Roy, A., and Au, S., 2020, *The pulsar search collaboration: Current status and future prospects*, AmJPh, 88, 1.
- [5] Williamson, K., McLaughlin, M. A., Stewart, J., Lorimer, D. R., Blumer*, H., Zabriskie, C., Heatherly, S. A., & Lynch, R. S., 2019, *The Pulsar Search Collaboration: Expanding Nationwide*, PhTea, 57, 3.
- [6] Gentile*, P. A., McLaughlin, M. A., Demorest, P. B., Stairs, I. H., Arzoumanian, Z., Crowter, K., Dolch, T., DeCesar, M. E., Ellis, J. A., Ferdman, R. D., Ferrara, E. C., Fonseca, E., Gonzalez,

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[7] Lam*, M. T., McLaughlin, M. A., Cordes, J. M., Chatterjee, S., & Lazio, T. J. W., 2018, *Optimal Frequency Ranges for Submicrosecond Precision Pulsar Timing*, ApJ, 861, 12.

[8] Jones*, M. L., McLaughlin, M. A., Lam*, M. T., Cordes, J. M., Levin*, L., Chatterjee, S., Arzoumanian, Z., Crowter, K., Demorest, P. B., Dolch, T., Ellis, J. A., Ferdman, R. D., Fonseca, E., Gonzalez, M. E., Jones, G., Lazio, T. J. W., Nice, D. J., Pennucci, T. T., Ransom, S. M., Stinebring, D. R., Stairs, I. H., Stovall, K., Swiggum, J. K., & Zhu, W. W. 2017, *The NANOGrav Nine-year Data Set: Measurement and Analysis of Variations in Dispersion Measures*, ApJ, 841, 125.

[9] Levin*, L., McLaughlin, M. A., Jones, G., Cordes, J. M., Stinebring, D. R., Chatterjee, S., Dolch, T., Lam, M. T., Lazio, T. J. W., Palliyaguru*, N., Arzoumanian, Z., Crowter, K., Demorest, P. B., Ellis, J. A., Ferdman, R. D., Fonseca, E., Gonzalez, M. E., Jones*, M. L., Nice, D. J., Pennucci, T. T., Ransom, S. M., Stairs, I. H., Stovall, K., Swiggum, J. K., & Zhu, W., 2015, *The NANOGrav Nine-year Data Set: Monitoring Interstellar Scattering Delays*, ApJ, 818, 166.

[10] Swiggum*, J. K., Rosen*, R., McLaughlin, M. A., Lorimer, D. R., Heatherly, S., Lynch, R., Scoles, S., Hockett*, T., Filik*, E., Marlowe*, J. A., Barlow*, B. N., Weaver*, M., Hilzendeger*, M., Ernst*, S., Crowley*, R., Stone*, E., Miller*, B., Nunez*, R., Trevino*, G., Doehler*, M., Cramer*, A., Yencsik*, D., Thorley*, J., Andrews*, R., Laws*, A., Wenger*, K., Teter*, L., Snyder*, T., Dittmann*, A., Gray*, S., Carter*, M., McGough*, C., Dydiw*, S., Pruett*, C., Fink*, J., & Vanderhout*, A., 2014, *PSR J1930-1852: a Pulsar in the Widest Known Orbit around Another Neutron Star*, ApJ, 805, 2.

Awards

- 2020 SURA Distinguished Scientist Award
- 2019 Named one of Nature Magazine's "One to Watch"
- 2019 Penn State University Honors College Outstanding Alumni Mentoring Award
- 2016 WVU Presidential Award for Excellence in Collaborative Research
- 2015 Benedum Distinguished Scholar Award
- 2014 Eberly Distinguished Professorship Recipient
- 2011 Harley Kilgore Award for Promoting Public Understanding of Science and Research
- 2010 Eberly College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Researcher Award

Leadership and outreach activities

- 2020–present WVU APS Bridge Partnership Program Coordinator
- 2015–present Director of the WVU Center for Gravitational Waves and Cosmology
- 2015–present Co-Director of the NANOGrav Physics Frontiers Center
- 2010–present NANOGrav Research Abroad Program Coordinator
- 2008–present Co-Director of the Pulsar Search Collaboratory (PSC) program
- 2018–2020 Member of the Defense Science Study Group
- 2016–2017 Organizer of 'A Shout Across Time' Symphony for Celebrating Einstein week at WVU
- 2014–2018 Producer of the documentary 'little green men' about the PSC program