

# CHI-KWAN CHAN

---

Department of Astronomy/Steward Observatory  
University of Arizona  
Rm N332, 933 N. Cherry Ave.  
Tucson, AZ 85721

Phone: +1 (571) 296-9873  
E-mail: [chanc@arizona.edu](mailto:chanc@arizona.edu)  
Website: <https://rndsrc.dev>  
<https://github.com/rndsrc>

Dr. Chi-kwan Chan (CK) is a tenure-track Associate Astronomer/Research Professor at the University of Arizona. He served as the Secretary of the Event Horizon Telescope (EHT) Collaboration Science Council from 2020 to 2022. He recently led the publication of the computational and theoretical modeling/interpretation of our black hole, Sgr A\*. Dr. Chan created the collaboration's computational and data processing infrastructures and continues to manage them to this day, along with leading both the Software and Data Compatibility and the Gravitational Physics Working Groups in the collaboration. He is the current Principal Investigator of Black Hole PIRE, a leader of the Theoretical Astrophysics Program (TAP), a Data Science Fellow, and a faculty member of the Applied Mathematics Program. In addition to pioneering the use of Graphics Processing Units (GPUs) to accelerate the modeling of black holes, Dr. Chan also developed many new algorithms to improve and accelerate modern research, built cloud computing infrastructures for large observational data, and applied machine learning algorithms to speed up and automate data processing. Dr. Chan has taught and mentored in subjects of machine learning, numerical analysis, cloud computing, and quantum computing; has advocated for diversity, equity, and inclusion best practices in scientific publications; and is an avid hiker.

## Research Interests

Computation- and data-intensive science, machine learning, visual computing, data visualization in VR/AR, interactive simulations, parallel and scalable algorithms, HPC-cloud convergence, computational astrophysics, black hole astrophysics, and VLBI.

## Employment

2021 – current Associate Research Professor, Steward Observatory  
2018 – current Data Science Fellow, University of Arizona  
2018 – 2021 Assistant Astronomer, Steward Observatory  
2017 Visiting Scientist, Harvard Black Hole Initiative  
2013 – 2018 Research Associate, Steward Observatory  
2010 – 2012 NORDITA Fellow, Nordic Institute for Theoretical Physics  
2010 Teaching Fellow, Harvard University  
2007 – 2010 ITC Fellow, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics  
2005 – 2007 Summer Intern, Theory Division, Los Alamos National Laboratory

## Education

May 2007 Ph.D. in Physics, University of Arizona  
May 2002 B.S. in Physics and Mathematics (Cum Laude), University of Arizona

## Leadership

- 2022 – current *Leader*, Gravitational Physics Working Group, EHT Collaboration  
2020 – 2022 *Secretary*, Science Council, EHT Collaboration  
2021 – 2022 *Leader*, Sgr A\* Theory Paper, EHT Collaboration  
2021 – current *Leader*, Computation and Data Initiative, University of Arizona  
2021 – current *Committee Member*, Research Computing Governance, University of Arizona  
2020 – current *Founding Advisor*, Hong Kong Student Association, University of Arizona  
2018 – current *Leader*, Software and Data Compatibility Working Group, EHT Collaboration

## Professional Service

- 2022 – current *Associate Member*, LSST AGN Science Collaboration  
2020 – current *Referee*, Internal Publication Committee, EHT Collaboration  
2009 – current *Referee*, astrophysics journals (ApJ, ApJL, MNRAS, PASJ, and A&A, etc.)  
2021 – current *Committee Member*, Computing and IT Committee, Steward Observatory  
2021 – 2022 *Reviewer*, DOE INCITE Astrophysics Review Panel, U.S. Department of Energy  
2022 *Committee Member*, Early Career Award Committee, EHT Collaboration  
2022 *Reviewer*, RII Research Development Grants, University of Arizona  
2022 *Committee Member*, Undergraduate Research Task Force, University of Arizona  
2020 – 2021 *Committee Member*, Theory Prize, Steward Observatory  
2021 *Reviewer*, NASA Open Source Tools, Frameworks, and Libraries 2020 Review Panel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
2018 *Committee Member*, Campus Data Visualization Services, University of Arizona  
2008 – 2009 *Member*, Postdoc Council, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics

## Professional Honours

- 2021 EHT Early Career Award  
2021 Royal Astronomical Society Group Award  
2020 Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics  
2020 Nelson P. Jackson Aerospace Award  
2020 Bruno Rossi Prize  
2020 Einstein Medal  
2019 Special Congressional Recognition (U.S. Senate)  
2019 Special Congressional Recognition (U.S. House)  
2019 American Ingenuity Award in Physical Sciences  
2019 NSF Diamond Achievement Award  
2019 Breakthrough of the Year, Science Magazine  
2019 #1 Science Image of the Year, Nature Magazine  
2010 – 2012 NORDITA Fellowship  
2007 – 2010 Harvard ITC Fellowship

**Grants and Allocations**

- 2022 – current *PI*, “PIRE: Black Hole Astrophysics in the Era of Distributed Resources and Expertise”, NSF #1743747, US\$5,678,833
- 2022 – current *PI*, “The Ultra Violet Output of Sgr A\*”, JWST Cycle 1 GO-02075, US\$156,459
- 2020 – current *PI*, “Event Horizon Telescope Allocation” and “Steward Observatory Allocation” OSG OSPool allocation for the EHT and Steward Observatory, 20M core-hr to date, US\$380,000 equiv. to date
- 2020 – 2022 *PI*, “The Frontera-Event Horizon Telescope Partnership”, TACC Frontera Large-Scale Community Partnerships AST20023, 1.2M SUs=80M core-hr, US\$1,300,000 equiv. (*one of the largest awarded at the time*)
- 2020 – current *Co-I*, “Advanced Debris Disk Modeling for the Next Decade”, NASA 18-2XRP18\_2-0063, US\$328,565
- 2023 *Co-I*, “Black Hole Dynamics and Achromaticity in the Shadow of Sgr A\*”, ALMA Cycle 9 2022.1.01268.V
- 2023 *Co-I*, “A sample of SMBH shadows, rings, accretion flows and jet bases: exploratory EHT+ALMA flux measurements”, ALMA Cycle 9 2022.1.01055.V
- 2023 *Co-I*, “NGC4261: the 2nd jet at < 50 gravitational radii (and the 3rd black hole shadow?)”, ALMA Cycle 9 2022.1.00520.V
- 2023 *Co-I*, “A sample of SMBHs at <100 R<sub>g</sub> scales: accretion flows, jets, shadows: GMVA+ALMA imaging”, ALMA Cycle 9 2022.1.00366.V
- 2023 *Co-I*, “Kinematics of Jets in low luminosity AGNs”, VLBA 22B-227, 40 hrs
- 2023 *Co-I*, “Constraining the accretion and jet properties of next generation EHT targets”, NuSTAR 8229, 200 ksec
- 2023 *Co-I*, “X-ray reverberation in billion mass black holes”, NICER 5176, 360 ksec
- 2023 *Co-I*, “Constraining the micro-variability time-scales to photon orbits in low luminosity AGNs”, SMARTS-1m, 125 hrs
- 2023 *Co-I*, “EHT Sample: Jet profile of nearby AGNs”, LBA V587, 70 hrs
- 2023 *Co-I*, “Pilot study to constrain the compactness of low luminosity AGN”, ATCA C3404, 50 hrs
- 2023 *Co-I*, “A sample of black holes at  $\leq 100$  R<sub>g</sub> scales: accretion flows, jets, shadows” GMVA 20B-343
- 2022 *Co-I*, “TESS Monitoring Of Low Luminosity AGNs”, TESS G04232
- 2022 *Co-I*, “Towards a sample of SMBH shadows, rings, accretion flows and jet bases: exploratory EHT+ALMA flux measurements”, ALMA Cycle 8 2021.1.01156.V
- 2022 *Co-I*, “Connecting the black hole shadow and jet base in M87”, ALMA Cycle 8 2021.1.00910.V
- 2022 *Co-I*, “Capturing Real-Time Black Hole Dynamics in Sgr A\*”, ALMA Cycle 8 2021.1.00906.V
- 2018 *Co-I*, “Imaging the Global Accretion and Outflow of Sgr A\*: 3mm VLBI with GMVA+ALMA”, ALMA Cycle 5 2017.1.00795.V

## Media and Public Engagement

- 2019–2022 *Interviewee*, national and international TV channels and newspapers (various)
- 2022 *Interviewee*, NSF Press Release of the first Sgr A\* results
- 2022 *Invited Speaker*, Tucson Amateur Astronomers Club
- 2022 *Outreach Member*, South by Southwest™
- 2019 *Organizer and Host*, Penguin AI Club Visit, University High School
- 2019 *Outreach Speaker*, Faculty Presentations, Korean Student Visit, University of Arizona
- 2019 *Organizer and Host*, Hong Kong Student Visit, partnering with the Chinese University of Hong Kong
- 2019 *Organizer and Artist*, “Einstein Chalk Art”, University of Arizona
- 2019 *Interviewee*, NSF Press Release of the first M87\* results
- 2018 *Outreach Member*, UArizona Home Coming
- 2015 *Co-founder and advisor*, AstroCardboard app
- 2015 *Developer and advisor*, RosettaTour app

## Teaching

- 2021–current *Instructor*, ASTR/PHYS 105A “Introduction to Scientific Computing”, Astronomy and Physics Departments, University of Arizona
- Instructor*, “Performing Large Scale Parameter Surveys with OSG Services”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar, Sep 2022
- 2019 *Organizer and Instructor*, “Container Camp”, CyVerse, University of Arizona
- 2019 *Organizer and Instructor*, “PIRE Cloud Computing Busyweek”, Black Hole PIRE, University of Arizona
- 2018 *Organizer and Instructor*, “Black Hole PIRE Winter School on High-Performance Computing and Coordinating Global Observations”, Black Hole PIRE, University of Arizona
- 2018 *Organizer and Instructor*, “Learning Docker and Singularity”, CyVerse AstroContainers Workshop, University of Arizona
- 2018 *Organizer and Instructor*, “Docker and Jupyter for Reproducible Astronomy”, PIRE Mini-Hackathon, Tucson
- 2010 *Guest Lecturer*, numerical analysis class on topics of GPU computation, KTH, Stockholm

## Mentorship

- 2018–current “Numerical Methods for Simulating Plasma Around Black Holes”, *Tyler Trent*, mentoring the development of a feature extraction algorithm for the M87\* and Sgr A\* black holes and numerical integrators in curved spacetime
- 2021–current “General Relativistic Ray Tracing in Dynamic Spacetime”, *Gabriele Bozzola*, mentoring the image simulations of merging black holes

- 2015 – 2020 “Plasma Physics and General Relativistic Radiative Transfer”, *David Ball*, mentoring the study of electron number distributions and their effect in black hole images
- 2015 – 2019 “Time Variability and Interferometric Images in GRMHD Simulations”, *Lia Medeiros*, mentoring the study of VLBI signatures of black hole with general relativistic radiative transfer
- 2022 – current “Particle Orbits around Kerr Naked Singularity”, *Elyas Loutfi Farah, Lebanese American University, Lebanon*, mentoring the use of `fadge` to solve time-like geodesics around naked singularity
- 2021 – current “Observation Signature of Kerr Naked Singularity”, *Bao Nguyen*, mentoring the use of `fadge` to solve null geodesics around naked singularity
- 2021 – current “General Relativistic Ray Tracing”, *Aniket Sharma*, mentoring the use of Google JAX for general relativistic ray tracing
- 2021 – current “Signature of Magnetorotational Instability in GRMHD Simulations”, *Tin-Lok Chan, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong*, mentoring the simulation of black holes with `Athena++` and `BHAC`; results published in EHTC Sgr A\* Papers I and V
- 2021 – current “Application of Machine Learning in Astrophysics”, *Anthony Hsu*, mentoring the development of machine learning methods and topological data analysis software
- 2020 – current “Weather Nowcasting at Telescope Sites”, *Phani Datta Velicheti*, mentoring the development software package `μcast`
- 2022 “Comparison of clustering algorithms for VLBI imaging”, *Edward Chang*, mentoring the study of different clustering algorithms for VLBI imaging work
- 2021 “Honor Project to Develop EHT Outreach Materials”, *Rachel Wells*, mentoring the development of education materials for elementary school students
- 2020 “Data Process and Security with Kubernetes”, *Jarod Bristol, Ethan Glasberg, & Ryan Luu*, mentoring the improvement of security for cloud computing infrastructure
- 2020 “PCA-based Clustering Algorithm for EHT Imaging Results”, *Yuan Jea Hew*, mentoring the development of algorithms for Sgr A\* imaging work
- 2020 “Create virtual reality app to visualize black hole simulations”, *Jose Perez, Jimena Stephenson, Hafizudin Hashim, & JianDa Zhau*, mentoring the development of educational AR apps
- 2019 “Developing Augmented Reality App for Stellar Evolution”, *Muaz Burhanudin*, mentoring the development of educational AR app “ARStellarEvolution”
- 2019 “Time Variability of Closure Phase”, *Ryan Gatski*, mentoring the development of model-free algorithm to calibration polarimetry visibility data
- 2019 “Improving General Relativistic Ray Tracing”, *Will Price & Devin Shawn Cameron*, mentoring the development of algorithms to visualize black hole simulations
- 2019 “Developing Augmented Reality App for the Event Horizon Telescope”, *Jose Perez, Elizabeth Champagne, & Yuan Jea Hew*, mentoring the development of educational AR app “EHTGo”
- 2018 “Cloud Computing for Astronomy”, *Alexis Tinoco Cazarez*, mentoring the applica-

- tion of Docker technology for astronomy data processing
- 2011 – 2012 “Growth of Massive Black Holes by Super-Eddington Accretion” *Phillip Jenks*, mentoring the development of radiation hydrodynamic algorithm for master thesis
- 2005 – 2006 “Numerical Method of Radiative Diffusion” *Robert Marcus*, mentoring the development of radiative transfer algorithm for senior thesis

## Selected Software

### Sole Developer:

- `lux`, a high performance scientific computation framework that can measure the run time performance of algorithms and optimize it on-the-fly: <https://github.com/luxsrc/lux>; related projects: <https://github.com/luxsrc>
- `gray`, a massive parallel ODE integrator for performing general relativistic radiative transfer using ray tracing: <https://github.com/luxsrc/gray>
- `XAJ`, an ordinary differential equation (ODE) integrator compatible with Google’s GPU-accelerated autodiff package `JAX`: <https://github.com/adxsrc/xaj>; related projects: <https://github.com/adxsrc>
- `foci`, a python package for processing and imaging VLBI data: <https://github.com/focisrc/foci>; related projects: <https://github.com/focisrc>
- `μcast`, a weather forecast data processing package with micro-weather forecasting for radio astronomy: <https://github.com/focisrc/ucast>
- `insight`, an open of the first interactive data visualization tools in virtual reality: <https://github.com/luxsrc/insight>, <https://youtu.be/tfD088R1jTw>
- `orbits`, a collection of symplectic integrators that are ideal for solving celestial mechanic problems: <https://github.com/rndsrc/orbits>; related projects: <https://github.com/rndsrc>
- `sg2`, a 2D spectral Galerkin code written in CUDA C and runs on nVidia GPUs: <https://github.com/rndsrc/sg2>, <https://youtu.be/4ORDgzIwK00>
- EHT docker stack, Dockerfile recipes and tools to set up EHT’s data analysis containers for reproducibility: <https://github.com/eventhorizontelescope/docker-recipes>
- OSG tools for `igrmonty` and `ipole`, tools for running large GRRT and GR Monte Carlo simulations: <https://github.com/bhpire/igrmonty-osg>, <https://github.com/bhpire/ipole-osg>

### Lead Developer:

- EHT 2017 HOPS pipeline, a HOPS pipeline used to process EHT’s 2017 observation data: <https://github.com/eventhorizontelescope/2017-april>
- Sgr A\* theory paper data analysis tools, Jupyter notebooks for managing and analyzing large number of GRRT images and GR Monte Carlo SEDs of black holes, used for EHT Sgr A\* paper V: [https://github.com/eventhorizontelescope/2017\\_sgra\\_paper5](https://github.com/eventhorizontelescope/2017_sgra_paper5)
- `ehtplot`, a plotting utility including the perceptually uniform `afmhot_10us` colormap, <https://github.com/AFD-Illinois/igrmonty>

**Key Contributor:**

- OSG SYMBA pipeline, a Pegasus pipeline for running very large scale synthetic data generation jobs for VLBI: <https://github.com/bhpipe/symba-osg>
- OSG calsz tools, tools for estimating second moments in visibility domain of very large number of images: <https://github.com/bhpipe/calsz-osg>
- `igrmonty`, a well tested GR Monte Carlo code for computing SEDs of black holes, <https://github.com/AFD-Illinois/igrmonty>
- `eht-imaging`, one of EHT's main image reconstruction and data processing packages, <https://github.com/achael/eht-imaging>

**Selected Presentations and Conferences**

54. *Chair*, *Scientific Organizing Committee*, 2022 EHT Winter Collaboration Meeting, Virtual, Dec 2022
53. *Speaker*, “Sparking Imaginations with Black Hole Images”, 4th Shaw-IAU workshop, Nov 2022
52. *Speaker*, “Resolving the Galactic Center Black Hole with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Astrophysics Colloquium, UBC, Oct 2022
51. *Speaker*, “Resolving the Galactic Center Black Hole with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Cosmology Seminar, SFU, Oct 2022
50. *Speaker*, “Resolving the Galactic Center Black Hole with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Astronomy Seminar, UW, Oct 2022
49. *Instructor*, “Performing Large Scale Parameter Surveys with OSG Services”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar, Sep 2022
48. *Speaker*, “Resolving the Galactic Center Black Hole with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Steward Observatory/NSF's NOIRLab Joint Colloquium, Tucson, Sep 2022
47. *Invited Speaker*, “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results: Testing Astrophysical Models of the Galactic Center Black Hole”, AAS Meeting, Pasadena, Jun 2022
46. *Invited Speaker*, “Sagittarius A\*: the Supermassive Black Hole at our Galactic Centre”, Hong Kong Space Museum, May 2022 (*Cantonese*)
45. *Invited Speaker*, “Resolving Black Holes with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Tucson Amateur Astronomers Club, Apr 2022
44. *Organizer*, “A Deep Look Into the Black Hole in the Center of the Milky Way”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series, Jan–May 2022
43. *Member*, *Scientific Organizing Committee*, EHT 2021 Winter Collaboration Meeting, Virtual, Dec 2021
42. *Organizer*, EHT 2021 U.S. Meeting, Tucson, Nov 2021
41. *Organizer*, EHT Sgr A\* Theory Busyweek II, Sep 2021
40. *Organizer*, “Advanced EHT Data Analysis”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series, Jan–Apr 2021
39. *Organizer*, EHT 2020 Winter Collaboration Meeting, Virtual, Dec 2020
38. *Organizer*, EHT Sgr A\* Theory Busyweek I, Dec 2020
37. *Speaker*, “Astrophysics Empowered by the EHT: Ray Tracing”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series Session 3, Oct 2020

36. *Organizer*, “Astrophysics Empowered by the EHT”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series, Sep–Nov 2020
35. *Organizer*, “VLBI Data Series”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series, Mar–May 2020
34. *Public Speaker*, “Imaging the Supermassive Black Hole at the Center of the M87 Galaxy”, Public talk to visiting highschool students, Tucson, Dec 2019
33. *Public Speaker*, “Imaging the Supermassive Black Hole at the Center of the M87 Galaxy”, Public talk to visiting students from Korea, Tucson, Nov 2019
32. *Speaker*, “Imaging the Supermassive Black Hole at the Center of the M87 Galaxy: A Data Analysis Perspective”, UA-TRIPODS Seminar, Tucson, Oct 2019
31. *Invited Speaker*, “Capturing Black Holes in the Era of Distributed Resources and Expertise”, Zoomtopia, San Jose, Oct 2019
30. *Organizer*, “Cloud Computing”, Black Hole PIRE Webinar Series, Sep–Dec 2019
29. *Organizer and Instructor*, “Container Camp”, CyVerse, Tucson, Jul 2019
28. *Keynote Speaker*, “Imaging the Supermassive Black Hole at the Center of the M87 Galaxy: A Computation Perspective”, IUPAP Conference on Computational Physics, Hong Kong, Jul 2019
27. *Public Speaker*, “Imaging the Supermassive Black Hole at the Center of the M87 Galaxy”, Public talk to visiting students from Hong Kong, Tucson, Jul 2019
26. *Keynote Speaker*, “In the Shadow of the Black Hole”, GitHub Satellite, Berlin, May 2019
25. *Keynote Speaker*, “Bringing Black Holes into Focus: The Event Horizon Telescope’s First Image”, Tucson, Apr 2019
24. *Organizer and Instructor*, “PIRE Cloud Computing Busyweek”, Black Hole PIRE, Tucson, Feb 2019
23. *Organizer and Instructor*, “Black Hole PIRE Winter School on High-Performance Computing and Coordinating Global Observations”, Tucson, Dec 2018
22. *Invited Speaker*, “Imaging Event Horizons—A Journey Walked Together by Observers and Theorists”, Shanghai Astronomical Observatory, Sep 2018
21. *Organizer and Instructor*, “Learning Docker and Singularity”, CyVerse AstroContainers Workshop, Tucson, May 2018
20. *Organizer and Instructor*, “Docker and Jupyter for Reproducible Astronomy”, PIRE Mini-Hackathon, Tucson, Apr 2018
19. *Keynote Speaker*, “GPU Computing: from PC & HPC to the Cloud & the Edge”, Black Hole PIRE Launch, Tucson, Feb 2018
18. *Speaker*, “Recent Progress in General Relativistic Ray Tracing”, Black Hole Initiative, Cambridge, Sep 2017
17. *Organizer*, “Multi-Scale Plasma Flows Around Black Holes”, TCAN Collaboration Meeting, Tucson, Oct 2016
16. *Speaker*, “GRay2: Improving General Relativistic Ray Tracing and Beyond”, TCAN Collaboration Meeting, Tucson, Oct 2016
15. *Speaker*, “Fast Variabilities in GRMHD Models of Sgr A\* and Their Implications for EHT Observations”, International Astronomical Union Symposium 322, Australia, Jul 2016



14. *Speaker*, “On MHD Turbulence and Angular Momentum Transport in Accretion Disk Boundary Layers”, International Astronomical Union Symposium 294, Beijing, Aug 2012
13. *Organizer*, “Astrophysics Code Comparison Workshop”, NORDITA, Stockholm, Aug 2012
12. *Speaker*, “Condensates in Two Dimensional Turbulence”, FrischFest: the Solar Course, the Chemic Force, and the Speeding Change of Water, Stockholm, Oct 2011
11. *Speaker*, “The Pseudospectral Method: Recent Advances and Prospects, Part II”, The Nature of Turbulence Workshop at KITP, Santa Barbara, Mar 2011
10. *Speaker*, “Local Anisotropy in MHD Turbulence”, RädlerFest:  $\alpha$  Effect and Beyond, Stockholm, Feb 2011
9. *Speaker*, “High Order Numerical Methods on GPUs”, Computational Physics with GPUs Conference, Lund, Nov 2010
8. *Speaker*, “Lessons from Radiative and MHD Simulations for Supermassive Black Hole Growth”, Aspen Winter Conference on Formation and Evolution of Black Holes, Aspen, Feb 2010
7. *Speaker*, “What do Spectra Mean in MHD Turbulence?”, Institute for Advanced Study Thursday Seminar, Princeton, May 2009
6. *Organizer*, “Plasma Astrophysics Meetings”, Institute for Theory and Computation, Cambridge, 2009
5. *Speaker*, “Generalized Shearing Boxes for Multi-Scale Studies of MHD Turbulence”, Saturation and Transport Properties of MRI-driven Turbulence Conference at IAS, Princeton, Jun 2008
4. *Organizer*, “Saturation and Transport Properties of MRI-driven Turbulence”, IAS, Princeton, Jun 2008
3. *Speaker*, “Turbulence Generation in Magnetized Accretion Disks”, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics PEOPLE Lecture, Cambridge, Dec 2007
2. *Organizer*, “Astrophysical Turbulence Meetings”, Institute for Theory and Computation, Cambridge, 2007–2008
1. *Speaker*, “Toward Realistic Accretion Disk Simulations”, Los Alamos National Laboratory Theory Seminar, Los Alamos, Jul 2007

## White Papers

4. “The Growing Importance of a Tech Savvy Astronomy and Astrophysics Workforce”, Norman, D ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, arXiv:1910.08376
3. “Sustaining Community-Driven Software for Astronomy in the 2020s”, Tollerud, E ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, BAAS 51 (7), 180
2. “Training the Future Generation of Computational Researchers”, Besla, G ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, Bulletin of the American Astronomical Society 51 (7) and arXiv:1907.04460
1. “Astro2020 APC White Paper: Elevating the Role of Software as a Product of the Research Enterprise”, Smith, A.M. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, arXiv:1907.06981

## Selected Publications

73. “Resolving the Inner Parsec of the Blazar J1924-2914 with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Issaoun, S. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, ApJ, 934, 145

72. “Topological Data Analysis of Black Hole Images”, Christian, P., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *PhRvD*, 106, 023017
71. “Characterizing and Mitigating Intraday Variability: Reconstructing Source Structure in Accreting Black Holes with mm-VLBI”, Broderick, A.E. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJL*, 930, 18
70. “A Universal Power-law Prescription for Variability from Synthetic Images of Black Hole Accretion Flows”, Boris, G. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJL*, 930, 18
69. “Millimeter Light Curves of Sagittarius A\* Observed during the 2017 Event Horizon Telescope Campaign”, Wielgus, M. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJL*, 930, 18
68. “Selective Dynamical Imaging of Interferometric Data”, Farah, J. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJL*, 930, 18
67. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. VI. Testing the Black Hole Metric”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022f, *ApJL*, 930, 17
66. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. V. Testing Astrophysical Models of the Galactic Center Black Hole”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022e, *ApJL*, 930, 16
65. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. IV. Variability, Morphology, and Black Hole Mass”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022d, *ApJL*, 930, 15
64. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. III. Imaging of the Galactic Center Supermassive Black Hole”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022c, *ApJL*, 930, 14
63. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. II. EHT and Multiwavelength Observations, Data Processing, and Calibration”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022b, *ApJL*, 930, 13
62. “First Sagittarius A\* Event Horizon Telescope Results. I. The Shadow of the Supermassive Black Hole in the Center of the Milky Way”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022a, *ApJL*, 930, 12
61. “PATOKA: Simulating Electromagnetic Observables of Black Hole Accretion”, Wong, G.N. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJS*, 259, 64
60. “Black Hole Physics and Computer Graphics”, Bozzola, G., **Chan, C.-k.**, Paschalidis, V. 2022, *Computing in Science and Engineering*, 24, 19
59. “Markov Chains for Horizons MARCH. I. Identifying Biases in Fitting Theoretical Models to Event Horizon Telescope Observations”, Psaltis, D. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJ*, 928, 55
58. “The Variability of the Black Hole Image in M87 at the Dynamical Timescale”, Satapathy, K. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJ*, 925, 13
57. “Brightness Asymmetry of Black Hole Images as a Probe of Observer Inclination”, Medeiros, L., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2022, *ApJ*, 924, 46
56. “Accretion properties of low-luminosity active galactic nuclei”, Ramakrishnan, V., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Nagar, N. 2021, *Astron. Nachr.*, 342:1180–1184
55. “A Plasmoid model for the Sgr A\* Flares Observed With Gravity and CHANDRA”, Ball, D. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJ*, 917, 8
54. “Event Horizon Telescope observations of the jet launching and collimation in Centaurus A”,

- Janssen, M. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *Nature Astronomy*, 5, 1017
53. “Constraints on black-hole charges with the 2017 EHT observations of M87\*”, Kocherlakota, P. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *PhRvD*, 103, 104047
  52. “Ten simple rules to cultivate transdisciplinary collaboration in data science”, Sahneh, F., Balk, M.A., Kisley, M., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *PLOS Computational Biology*, vol 17, issue 5, p. e1008879
  51. “The Polarized Image of a Synchrotron-emitting Ring of Gas Orbiting a Black Hole”, Narayan, R. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJ*, 912, 35
  50. “Broadband Multi-wavelength Properties of M87 during the 2017 Event Horizon Telescope Campaign”, EHT MWL Science Working Group ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJL*, 911, 11
  49. “Polarimetric Properties of Event Horizon Telescope Targets from ALMA”, Goddi, C. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJL*, 910, 14
  48. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. VIII. Magnetic Field Structure near The Event Horizon”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJL*, 910, 13
  47. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. VII. Polarization of the Ring”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2021, *ApJL*, 910, 12
  46. “FANTASY: User-friendly Symplectic Geodesic Integrator for Arbitrary Metrics with Automatic Differentiation”, Christian, P. and **Chan, C.-k.** 2021, *ApJ*, 909, 67
  45. “Gravitational Test beyond the First Post-Newtonian Order with the Shadow of the M87 Black Hole”, Psaltis, D. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, *PRL*, 125, 14
  44. “Monitoring the Morphology of M87\* in 2009-2017 with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Wielgus, M. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, *ApJ*, 901, 67
  43. “Event Horizon Telescope Imaging of the Archetypal Blazar 3C 279 at an Extreme 20 microarcsecond Resolution”, Kim, J.Y., Krichbaum, T.P., Broderick, A.E., Wielgus, M, Blackburn, L, Gomez, J.L., Johnson, M.D., Bouman, K.L., Chael, A., Akiyama, K., Jorstad, S., Marscher, A.P., Issaoun, S., Janssen, M., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 640, 69
  42. “Verification of Radiative Transfer Schemes for the EHT”, Gold, R. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, *ApJ*, 897, 148
  41. “A Plasmoid Model for the Sgr A\* Flares Observed with GRAVITY and Chandra”, Ball, D. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.14251
  40. “Markov Chains for Horizons (MARCH). I. Identifying Biases in Fitting Theoretical Models to Event Horizon Telescope Observations”, Psaltis, D. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.09632
  39. “Discretization and Filtering Effects on Black Hole Images Obtained with the Event Horizon Telescope”, Psaltis, D., Medeiros, L., Lauer, T.R., **Chan, C.-k.**, Özel, F. 2020, arXiv:2004.06210
  38. “Prospects for Wideband VLBI Correlation in the Cloud”, Gill, A., Blackburn, L., Roshaninshat, A., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, *PASP*, 131, 124501
  37. “EHT-HOPS pipeline for millimeter VLBI data reduction”, Blackburn, L., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, *ApJ*, 882, 23
  36. “The Event Horizon General Relativistic Magnetohydrodynamic Code Comparison Project”, Porth, O., Chatterjee, K., Narayan, R., Gammie, C.F., Mizuno, Y., Anninos, P., Baker, J.G.,

- Bugli, M., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, ApJS, 243, 26
35. “SYMBA: An end-to-end VLBI synthetic data generation pipeline-Simulating Event Horizon Telescope observations of M 87”, Roelofs, F ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2020, Astronomy & Astrophysics 636, A5
  34. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results and the Role of ALMA”, Goddi, C. ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019, The Messenger, 177, 25-35
  33. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. VI. The Shadow and Mass of the Central Black Hole”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019f, ApJL, 875, L6
  32. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. V. Physical Origin of the Asymmetric Ring”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019e, ApJL, 875, L5
  31. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. IV. Imaging the Central Supermassive Black Hole”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019d, ApJL, 875, L4
  30. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. III. Data Processing and Calibration”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019c, ApJL, 875, L3
  29. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. II. Array and Instrumentation”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019b, ApJL, 875, L2
  28. “First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. I. The Shadow of the Supermassive Black Hole”, EHT Collaboration ... **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2019a, ApJL, 875, L1
  27. “GRMHD Simulations of Visibility Amplitude Variability for Event Horizon Telescope Images of Sgr A\*”, Medeiros, L., **Chan, C.-k.**, Özel, F., Psaltis, D., Kim, J., Marrone, D.P., & Sądowski, A. 2018, ApJ, 856, 163
  26. “The Properties of Reconnection Current Sheets in GRMHD Simulations of Radiatively Inefficient Accretion Flows”, Ball, D., Özel, F., Psaltis, D., **Chan, C.-k.**, Sironi, L. 2018, ApJ, 853, 184
  25. “GRay2: A General Purpose Geodesic Integrator for Kerr Spacetimes”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Medeiros, L., Özel, F., & Psaltis, D. 2017, ApJ, 867, 59
  24. “Variability in GRMHD Simulations of Sgr A\*: Implications for EHT Closure Phase Observations”, Medeiros, L., **Chan, C.-k.**, Özel, F., Psaltis, D., Kim, J., Marrone, D.P., & Sądowski, A. 2017, ApJ, 844, 35
  23. “Bayesian Techniques for Comparing Time-Dependent GRMHD Simulations to Variable Event Horizon Telescope Observations”, Kim, J., Marrone, D.P., **Chan, C.-k.**, Medeiros, L., Özel, F., Psaltis, D. 2016, ApJ, 832, 156
  22. “Particle Acceleration and the Origin of X-ray Flares in GRMHD Simulations of Sgr A\*”, Ball, D., Özel, F., Psaltis, D., & **Chan, C.-k.** 2016, ApJ, 826, 77
  21. “Persistent Asymmetric Structure of Sagittarius A\* on Event Horizon Scales”, Fish, V.L., Johnson, M.D., Doleman, S.S., ..., **Chan, C.-k.**, et al. 2016, ApJ, 820, 90
  20. “GRMHD Simulations of Visibility Amplitude Variability for EHT Images of Sgr A\*”, Medeiros, L., **Chan, C.-k.**, Özel, F., Psaltis, D., Kim, J., Marrone, D.P., & Sądowski, A. 2016, ApJ, 856, 163
  19. “A General Relativistic Null Hypothesis Test with Event Horizon Telescope Observations of the Black Hole Shadow in Sgr A\*”, Psaltis, D., Özel, F., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Marrone, D.P. 2015, ApJ, 814, 115
  18. “Fast Variability and mm/IR flares in GRMHD Models of Sgr A\* from Strong-Field Gravita-

- tional Lensing”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., Özel, F., Medeiros, L., Marrone, D.P., Sałowski, A., & Narayan, R. 2015, ApJ, 812, 103
17. “The Power of Imaging: Constraining the Plasma Properties of GRMHD Simulations using EHT Observations of Sgr A\*”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., Özel, F., Narayan, R., & Sałowski, A. 2015, ApJ, 799, 1
  16. “GRay: A Massively Parallel GPU-based Code for Ray Tracing in Relativistic Spacetimes”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., & Özel, F. 2013, ApJ, 777, 13
  15. “On Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulence and Angular Momentum Transport in Accretion Disk Boundary Layers”, **Chan, C.-k.** & Pessah, M.E. 2013, IAU Symposium, 294, 349
  14. “Angular Momentum Transport in Accretion Disk Boundary Layers Around Weakly Magnetized Stars”, Pessah, M.E. & **Chan, C.-k.** 2013, EPJ Web of Conferences, 46, 04004
  13. “On Hydromagnetic Stresses in Accretion Disk Boundary Layers”, Pessah, M.E. & **Chan, C.-k.** 2012, ApJ, 751, 48
  12. “Dynamics of Saturated Energy Condensation in Two-Dimensional Turbulence”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Mitra, D., & Brandenburg, A. 2012, PhRvE, 85, 036315
  11. “A Class of Physically Motivated Closures for Radiation Hydrodynamics”, **Chan, C.-k.** 2011, ApJ, 727, 67
  10. “Oscillations of the Inner Regions of Viscous Accretion Disks”, **Chan, C.-k.** 2009, ApJ, 704, 68
  9. “MHD Simulations of Sgr A\*: Quiescent Fluctuations, Outbursts, and Quasi-Periodicity”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Lui, S., Fryer, C.L., Psaltis, D., Özel, F., Rockefeller, G., & Melia, F. 2009, ApJ, 701, 521
  8. “Spectral Methods for Time-Dependent Studies of Accretion Flows. III. Three-Dimensional, Self-Gravitating, Magnetohydrodynamic Disks”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., & Özel, F. 2009, ApJ, 700, 741
  7. “Viscous, Resistive Magnetorotational Modes”, Pessah, M.E. & **Chan, C.-k.** 2008, ApJ, 684, 498
  6. “The fundamental difference between shear  $\alpha$ -viscosity and turbulent magnetorotational stresses”, Pessah, M.E., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Psaltis, D. 2008, MNRAS, 383, 683
  5. “Angular Momentum Transport in Accretion Disks: Scaling Laws in MRI-driven Turbulence”, Pessah, M.E., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Psaltis, D. 2007, ApJ, 668, 51
  4. “A Local Model for Angular Momentum Transport in Accretion Disks Driven by the Magnetorotational Instability”, Pessah, M.E., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Psaltis, D. 2006, PRL, 97, 1103
  3. “The Signature of the Magnetorotational Instability in the Reynolds and Maxwell Stress Tensors in Accretion Discs”, Pessah, M.E., **Chan, C.-k.**, & Psaltis, D. 2006, MNRAS, 372, 183
  2. “Spectral Methods for Time-Dependent Studies of Accretion Flows. II. Two-Dimensional Hydrodynamic Disks with Self-Gravity”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., & Özel, F. 2006, ApJ, 645, 506
  1. “Spectral Methods for Time-Dependent Studies of Accretion Flows. I. Two-dimensional, Viscous, Hydrodynamic Disks”, **Chan, C.-k.**, Psaltis, D., & Özel, F. 2005, ApJ, 628, 353