# IAN WONG

# 51 PEG B POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW PLANETARY SCIENCE RESEARCHER

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#### **EDUCATION**

PhD Caltech 2013-2018

Planetary Science

Thesis advisor: Michael E. Brown

## **B.A.** Princeton University

2008-2012

Independent concentration (Linguistics; Major GPA: 4.00)

Graduated magna cum laude (GPA: 3.98)

#### RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE

## 51 Pegasi b Postdoctoral Fellow

Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences, MIT

June 2018-present

#### Research adviser

- Prajwal Niraula: <i>Graduate Generals Project</i> , MIT	2019-2020
- Aakash Mishra: Research in Science & Engineering, Boston University	Summer 2018
- Angelica Zhou: Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Caltech	Summer 2017
- Yixiao Yan: Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Caltech	Summer 2015

## Referee, Astronomical Journal, Icarus

2016-present

## Graduate research assistant, Caltech

2013-2018

# Teaching assistant, Caltech

2014-2018

- Ge 103: Introduction to the Solar System
- Ge 108: Applications of Physics to the Earth Sciences

# Work intern, NASA Marshall Space Flight Center

Fall 2012

Advanced Propulsion Laboratory

#### Research intern

Undergraduate Student Research Program, Princeton University

Program in plasma Science and Technology, PPPL

Summers 20110 & 2011

## First- and second-author papers (22)

- 1. Wong I, Benneke B, Gao P, et al. "HST+Spitzer transmission spectra of two cool exoplanets: WASP-29b and WASP-80b". ApJ in prep (2020).
- 2. Beatty T G, Wong I, Fetherolf T, et al. "*TESS* phase curve of the transiting brown dwarf system KELT-1". AJ in prep (2020).
- 3. Wong I, Shporer A, Daylan T, et al. "Systematic phase curve study of known transiting exoplanet systems from Year 1 of the *TESS* Mission". AJ submitted (2020).
- 4. Wong I, Shporer A, Morris B M, et al. "Exploring the atmospheric dynamics of the extreme ultra-hot Jupiter KELT-9b using *TESS* photometry". AJ in revision (2020).
- 5. Wong I, Benneke B, Gao P, et al. "Optical to near-infrared transmission spectrum of the warm sub-Saturn HAT-P-12b". ApJ in revision (2020).
- 6. Wong I, Benneke B, Shporer A, et al. "TESS phase curve of the ultra-hot Jupiter WASP-19b". AJ **159** 104 (2020).
- 7. Wong I, Shporer A, Becker J C, et al. "The full *Kepler* phase curve of the eclipsing hot white dwarf binary system KOI-964" ApJ **159** 29 (2020).
- 8. Benneke B, Wong I, Piaulet C, et al. "Water vapor and clouds on the habitable-zone sub-Neptune exoplanet K2-18b". ApJL **887** L14 (2019).
- 9. Wong I, Mishra A, & Brown M E "Photometry of active Centaurs: Colors of dormant active Centaur nuclei" AJ **157** 225 (2019).
- 10. Wong I & Brown M E. "Multiband observations of a Patroclus-Meneotius mutual event: Constraints on surface inhomogeneity". AJ **157** 203 (2019).
- 11. Shporer A, Wong I, Huang C X, et al. "TESS full orbital phase curve of the WASP-18b system" AJ 157 178 (2019).
- 12. Wong I, Brown M E, Blacksberg J, Ehlmann B L, & Mahjoub A. "*Hubble* ultraviolet spectroscopy of Jupiter Trojans". AJ **157** 161 (2019).
- 13. Wong I, Brown M E, & Emery J P. "0.7-2.5 μm spectra of Hilda asteroids". AJ **154** 104 (2017).
- 14. Wong I & Brown M E. "The bimodal color distribution of small Kuiper Belt objects". AJ **153** 145 (2017).
- 15. Wong I & Brown M E. "The color-magnitude distribution of Hilda asteroids: Comparison with Jupiter Trojans". AJ **153** 69 (2017).
- 16. Wong I & Brown M E. "A hypothesis for the color bimodality of Jupiter Trojans". AJ **152** 90 (2016).
- 17. Wong I, Knutson H A, Kataria T, et al. "3.6 and 4.5 μm *Spitzer* phase curves of the highly irradiated hot Jupiters WASP-19b and HAT-P-7b". ApJ **823** 122 (2016).
- 18. Wong I & Brown M E. "The color-magnitude distribution of small Jupiter Trojans". AJ **150** 174 (2015).
- 19. Wong I, Knutson H A, Lewis, N K, et al. "3.6 and 4.5 μm phase curves of the highly irradiated eccentric hot Jupiter WASP-14b". ApJ **811** 122 (2015).
- 20. Wong I, Brown M E, & Emery J P. "The differing magnitude distributions of the two Jupiter Trojan color populations". AJ **148** 112 (2014).
- 21. Wong I, Knutson H A, Cowan N B, et al. "Constraints on the atmospheric circulation and variability of the eccentric hot Jupiter XO-3b". ApJ **794** 134 (2014).

22. Wong I, Grigoriu A, Roslund J, Ho T S, & Rabitz H. "Laser-driven direct quantum control of nuclear excitations". Phys. Rev. A **84** 053429 (2011).

# Other co-author papers (11)

- 1. Daylan T, Günther M, Mikal-Evans T, et al. "TESS observations of the WASP-121b phase curve". AJ in revision (2020).
- 2. Mansfield M, Bean J L, Stevenson K B, et al. "Evidence for H<sub>2</sub> Dissociation and Recombination Heat Transport in the Atmosphere of KELT-9b". ApJL **888** L15 (2020).
- 3. Chachan Y, Knutson H A, Gao P, et al. "A Hubble PanCET study of HAT-P-11b: A cloudy Neptune with a low atmospheric metallicity" AJ **158** 244 (2019).
- 4. Zhou G, Huang C X, Bakos G Á, et al. "Two new HATNet hot Jupiters around A stars, and the first glimpse at the occurrence rate of hot Jupiters from TESS" AJ **158** 141 (2019).
- 5. Benneke B, Knutson H A, Lothringer J, et al. "A Sub-Neptune Atmosphere with Solar Water Abundance, Strong Methane Depletion, and Mie-Scattering Aerosols". Nature Astronomy **3** 813 (2019).
- 6. Rodriguez J E, Quinn S N, Huang C X, et al. "An Eccentric Massive Jupiter Orbiting a Sub-Giant on a 9.5 Day Period Discovered in the Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite Full Frame Images". ApJ **157** 191 (2019).
- 7. Poston M J, Mahjoub A, Ehlmann B L, et al. "Visible near-infrared spectral evolution of irradiated mixed ices and application to Kuiper Belt objects and Jupiter Trojans". ApJ **856** 124 (2018).
- 8. Ingalls J G, Krick J E, Carey S J, et al. "Repeatability and accuracy of exoplanet eclipse depths measured with post-cryogenic *Spitzer*". AJ **152** 44 (2016).
- 9. Krick J E, Ingalls J, Carey S, et al. "Spitzer IRAC sparsely sampled phase curve of the exoplanet WASP-14b". ApJ **824** 27 (2016).
- 10. Beichman, C, Livingston, J, Werner W, et al. "Spitzer observations of exoplanets discovered with the Kepler K2 mission". ApJ **822** 39 (2016).
- 11. Buhler, P B, Knutson H A, Batygin, K, et al. "Dynamical constraints on the core mass of hot Jupiter HAT-P-13b". ApJ **821** 26 (2016)

#### **OBSERVING EXPERIENCE**

(PI programs, unless otherwise indicated)

## **Magellan Observatory**

2019A+2019B+2020A

"Colors of active Centaurs: A window into KBO formation and composition" (2 nights, IMACS/LDSS-3)

2019B

"Exploring the desert: Precise radial velocity confirmation of TESS sub-Saturn candidates" (2 nights, PFS)

2020A

"Probing the purported Ennomos collisional family in the Jupiter Trojans" (0.5 night, IMACS)

## **Cerro Tololo Inter-American Observatory (CTIO)**

2019A+2019B+2020A

"Exploring the desert: Precise radial velocity confirmation of TESS sub-Saturn candidates" (80 hours, CHIRON)

## **Hubble Space Telescope (HST)**

Cycle 25 GO-15249

"An observational test of the dynamical instability hypothesis in the Solar System" (7 orbits; STIS)

# **NASA Infrared Telescope Facility (IRTF)**

2016A & 2016B

"Near-infrared spectra of bright Hilda asteroids: Probing the Hilda-Trojan connection" (7 nights; SpeX)

## Palomar 200-inch Hale Telescope

2017A & 2017B

"Colors and activity of Centaurs" (4 nights; LFC)

2018A

"Photometric observations of mutual events of the Trojan binary Patroclus-Menoetius" (2 nights; WASP)

## Co-I programs and other observing experience:

4 nights at Palomar 200-inch Hale Telescope (LFC)

3 nights at Subaru Telescope (SuprimeCam, Hyper SuprimeCam)

5 nights at Keck Observatory (NIRSPEC)

#### CONFERENCE TALKS

- 1. "Phase curve studies of known transiting systems with TESS", TESS Science Conference 1, 2019, Cambridge, Massachusetts.
- 2. "UV spectroscopy of Jupiter Trojans", 50<sup>th</sup> DPS Meeting, 2018, Knoxville, Tennessee.
- 3. "The Trojan-Hilda-KBO connection: An observational test of solar system evolution models", *The Transneptunian Solar System, 2018, Coimbra, Portugal.* [invited talk]
- 4. "The Trojan-Hilda-KBO connection: An observational test of solar system evolution models", *AGU Fall Meeting*, 2017, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 5. "The Trojan-Hilda-KBO connection: An observational test of solar system evolution models", 49<sup>th</sup> DPS Meeting, 2017, Provo, Utah.
- 6. "Near-infrared transmission spectra of three cool giant gas exoplanets", *ExSoCal 2016, Pasadena, California*.
- 7. "Multiband *Spitzer* phase curves of three highly-irradiated hot Jupiters", *AAS Meeting* #227, 2016, *Kissimmee, Florida*. [invited talk]
- 8. "The color-magnitude distribution of small Kuiper Belt objects", 47<sup>th</sup> DPS Meeting, 2015, National Harbor, Maryland.
- 9. "Multiband Spitzer phase curves of three highly-irradiated hot Jupiters", 11<sup>th</sup> Rencontres du Vietnam, Planetary Systems: A Synergistic View, 2015, Quy Nhon, Vietnam.
- 10. "Sub-populations among the Jupiter Trojans", Asteroids, Comets, and Meteors, 2014, Helsinki, Finland.

#### **CONFERENCE POSTERS**

- 1. "TESS in the Solar System: Refining asteroid light curves with long-baseline photometry", *EPSC-DPS Joint Meeting*, 2019, Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2. "Phase curve studies of known transiting systems with TESS", *Extreme Solar Systems IV*, 2019, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- 3. "A comparison of Hildas and Jupiter Trojans using photometry, spectroscopy, and size distributions", 48<sup>th</sup> DPS Meeting, 2016, Pasadena, California.
- 4. "Near-infrared transmission spectra of three cool giant gas exoplanets", *ExoClimes 2016, Squamish, Canada*.
- 5. "The color-magnitude distribution of small Jupiter Trojans", 46<sup>th</sup> DPS Meeting, 2014, Tucson, Arizona.

#### **WORKSHOPS**

2<sup>nd</sup> La Serena School for Data Science, 2014, La Serena, Chile.

#### COMPUTER AND OTHER SKILLS

**Programming**: Python, IDL, MATLAB, FORTRAN

**Applications**: GitHub, ArcGIS, Mathematica, Maple, LaTeX, LyX, Microsoft Office, LabVIEW **Laboratory skills**: basic machine shop skills, laboratory electronics, lasers

## LANGUAGES

English: Native language

**Russian:** Highly proficient (all aspects)

Mandarin: Fluent (speaking and listening); Proficient (reading and writing)

Japanese: Proficient (reading, writing, and listening); Intermediate (speaking)

Spanish: Proficient (reading); Intermediate (writing, listening, and speaking)