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I am now a postdoc in the Nanjing University. I mainly work on astronomical masers (CH_3OH , SiO, HCN, OH, H_2O) in star formation regions, evolved stars and supernova remnants, as well as methanol absorption features in star formation regions.

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Astronomical masers
- Circumstellar envelopes of evolved stars
- Supernova remnants
- Star formation
- Kinematics and dynamics of interstellar medium

EDUCATION

- Purple Mountain Observatory & University of science and technology of China 2014.09–2020.07
Ph.D in Astrophysics
Thesis: *Observational studies of class I methanol masers*
Advisors: Prof. Dr. Ye Xu, Prof. Dr. Xi Chen
- Wuhan University 2010.09–2014.06
Bachelor of Engineering in Geographical Information System (GIS)

EMPLOYMENT

- Nanjing University 2023.09–present
Postdoc Researcher
- Max-Planck-Institut für Radioastronomie 2020.11–2023.06
Postdoc Researcher
Scientific employee of SOFIA/GREAT, 2023.03–2023.06
(Guest of Menten's group, 2023.07–2025.10)

PRESENTATIONS

- 2024.02 [[contributed talk](#)] [The second Cross-Straits Workshop on Radio Astronomy](#), Shanghai, China, "Methanol masers and absorption features in massive star formation regions"
- 2023.10 [[talk](#)] Group meeting of Millimeter and Submillimeter Astronomy in MPIfR, Bonn, Germany, "Maser Investigation toward Off-Plane Stars: detection of SiO masers in the Galactic thick disk and halo"
- 2023.06 [[talk](#)] Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, "Masers in star formation regions and evolved stars"
- 2023.03 [[poster+flash talk](#)] [IAU 380 Cosmic Masers](#), Kagoshima, Japan, "ATLASGAL: Methanol masers at 3 mm"
- 2022.06 [[poster](#)] [Scientific Advisory Board \(Fachbeirat\)](#), Bonn, Germany, "Probing infall in high-mass star-forming regions from red-shifted absorption of CH_3OH and HNCO"
- 2022.03 [[talk](#)] Group meeting of Millimeter and Submillimeter Astronomy in MPIfR, Bonn, Germany, "Methanol masers and absorption features at 3 mm toward ATLASGAL sources"
- 2021.11 [[invited-talk \(on-line\)](#)] Guangzhou University, China, "How to use RADEX code"
- 2019.07 [[contributed talk](#)] Symposium on molecular clouds and star formation 2019, Altay, China, "44 GHz Methanol Masers: Observations toward 95 GHz Methanol Masers"
- 2017.10 [[contributed talk](#)] Symposium on molecular clouds and star formation 2017, Yichang, China, "The new catalog of 95 GHz methanol maser"

- 2016.11 [contributed talk] The Chinese Annual Astronomy/Astrophysics Meeting, Wuhan, China, "The Current Status of 95 GHz methanol masers observations"

ACCEPTED PROPOSALS

PI Proposals

- The Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array (JVLA)
(24A-198: 9 h)
- The Australia Telescope Compact Array (ATCA)
(C3471: 9.5 h)
- The Atacama Pathfinder EXperiment (APEX)
(M9509B_111: 20 h)
- The IRAM-30m telescope (IRAM-30m)
(141-22: 29 h, 112-23)
- The Effelsberg-100 m
(17-21: 22 h, 65-17: 29 h)
- The Very Long Baseline Array (VLBA)
(17A-112: 24 h)
- The PMO-13.7 m
(20A-007: 147 h, 18A-001: 57 h, 17A-007: 130 h)

Co-I. Proposals (> 500 hours)

ALMA (2023.1.01576.S), VLA (23A-136), VLBA (20B-107), ATCA (C3457), EAVN (EAVN 2024A 378)
APEX-12 m (M9519A_109, M9505B_113, M9509C_113), Effelsberg-100 m (92-20, 13-21, 92-21, 95-21, 100-21,
34-22, 75-22, 12-23, 14-23), IRAM-30 m (028-21), KVN (KVN-16B-SD-03), Yebes-40 m (23A009)

OUTREACH

2024.02-present	Organizer and host of the (weekly) MARTES Talk in School of Astronomy and Space Science @NJU
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HONOR AND AWARDS

- 2020 Outstanding graduate, University of science and technology of China
- 2017 National scholarship for master student, University of science and technology of China
- 2014-2015 Merit student, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences

SKILLS OF NOTE

Software/Language	GILDAS, python, CASA, MIRIAD (basic), html/css (basic), markdown
Radiative transfer code	RADEX/myRadex, molpop-cep, Cassis (basic)
Observing experience	Effelsberg-100m (remote), IRAM-30m (remote), APEX-12m (remote), ATCA (remote), PMO-13.7m (on site)

REFERENCES

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REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

A full list via ADS

First authored Publications:

5. Maser Investigation toward Off-Plane Stars (MIOPS): detection of SiO masers in the Galactic thick disk and halo
Wenjin Yang, Yuanwei Wu, Yan Gong, Nicolas Mauron, Bo Zhang, Karl M. Menten, Xiaofeng Mai, Dejian Liu, Juan Li, and Jingjing Li, [2024, ApJ, 961, 190](#)

4. ATLASGAL: 3-mm class I methanol masers in high-mass star formation regions
W. Yang, Y. Gong, K. M. Menten, J. S. Urquhart, C. Henkel, F. Wyrowski, T. Csengeri, S. P. Ellingsen, A. R. Bemis, J. Jang, [2023, A&A, 675, A112](#)

3. Redshifted methanol absorption tracing infall motions of high-mass star formation regions
W. J. Yang, K. M. Menten, A. Y. Yang, F. Wyrowski, Y. Gong, S. P. Ellingsen, C. Henkel, X. Chen, Y. Xu, [2022, A&A, 658, A192](#)

2. 44GHz Methanol Masers: Observations toward 95GHz Methanol Masers
Wenjin Yang, Ye Xu, Yoon Kyung Choi, Simon P. Ellingsen, Andrej M. Sobolev, Xi Chen, Jingjing Li, Dengrong Lu, [2020, ApJS, 248, 18](#)

1. A New 95 GHz Methanol Maser Catalog. I. Data
Wenjin Yang, Ye Xu, Xi Chen, Simon P. Ellingsen, Dengrong Lu, Binggang Ju, Yingjie Li, [2017, ApJS, 231, 20](#)

Co-authored Publications:

11. Discovery of widespread non-metastable ammonia masers in the Milky Way
Y. T. Yan, C. Henkel, K. M. Menten, T. L. Wilson, A. Wootten, Y. Gong, F. Wyrowski, **W. Yang**, A. Brunthaler, A. Kraus, and B. Winkel, [2024, A&A accepted](#)

10. Molecular Bubble and Outflow in S Mon Revealed by Multi-band Datasets
Dejian Liu, Ye Xu, YingJie Li, Zehao Lin, Chaojie Hao, **Wenjin Yang**, Jingjing Li, Xinrong Liu, Yiwei Dong, Shuaibo Bian, and Deyun Kong, [2024, ApJ, 964, 93](#)

9. Sulfur Isotope Ratios in the Large Magellanic Cloud
Y. Gong, C. Henkel, K. M. Menten, C.-H. R. Chen, Z. Y. Zhang, Y. T. Yan, A. Weiss, N. Langer, J. Z. Wang, R. Q. Mao, X. D. Tang, **W. Yang**, Y. P. Ao, M. Wang, [2023, A&A, 679, L6](#)

8. Protonated hydrogen cyanide as a tracer of pristine molecular gas
Y. Gong, F. J. Du, C. Henkel, A. M. Jacob, A. Belloche, J. Z. Wang, K. M. Menten, **W. Yang**, D. H. Quan, C. T. Bop, G. N. Ortiz-León, X. D. Tang, M. R. Rugel, S. Liu, [2023, A&A, 679, A39](#)

7. The Effelsberg survey of FU Orionis and EX Lupi objects II. H₂O maser observations
Zs. M. Szabó, Y. Gong, **W. Yang**, K. M. Menten, O. S. Bayandina, C. J. Cyganowski, Á. Kóspál, P. Ábrahám, A. Belloche, F. Wyrowski, [2023, A&A, 674, A202](#)

6. The Effelsberg survey of FU Orionis and EX Lupi objects. I. Host environments of FUors and EXors traced by NH₃
Zs. M. Szabó, Y. Gong, K. M. Menten, **W. Yang**, C. J. Cyganowski, Á. Kóspál, P. Ábrahám, A. Belloche, F. Wyrowski, [2023, A&A, 672, A158](#)

5. Widespread subsonic turbulence in Ophiuchus North 1
Yan Gong, Shu Liu, Junzhi Wang, Weishan Zhu, Guang-Xing Li, **Wenjin Yang**, Jixian Sun, [2022, A&A, 663, A82](#)

4. Light Deflection under the Gravitational Field of Jupiter-Testing General Relativity
Yingjie Li, Ye Xu, JingJing Li, Yuanwei Wu, Shaibo Bian, ZeHao Lin, **Wenjin Yang**, Chaojie Hao, DeJian Liu, [2022, ApJ, 925, 47](#)

3. Probing the electron-to-proton mass ratio gradient in the Milky Way with Class I methanol masers
S. A. Levshakov, I. I. Agafonova, C. Henkel, Kee-Tae Kim, M. G. Kozlov, B. Lankhaar, **W. Yang**, [2022, MNRAS, 511, 413](#)

2. Searching for further evidence for cloud-cloud collisions in L1188

Y. Gong, X. D. Tang, C. Henkel, K. M. Menten, R. Q. Mao, Y. Wang, M.-Y. Lee, W. S. Zhu, Y. Lin, S. B. Zhang, X. P. Chen, **W. J. Yang**, 2019, A&A, 632, A115

1. Molecular Gas toward the Gemini OB1 Molecular Cloud Complex. II. CO Outflow Candidates with Possible WISE Associations

Yingjie Li, Fa-Cheng Li, Ye Xu, Chen Wang, Xin-Yu Du; **Wenjin Yang**, Ji Yang, 2018, ApJS, 235, 15

PROCEEDINGS

3. ATLASGAL: methanol masers at 3 mm

W. Yang, Y. Gong, K. M. Menten, F. Wyrowski, J. S. Urquhart, C. Henkel, T. Csengeri, S. P. Ellingsen, A. R. Bemis, J. Jang, 2024, IAU, 380, 266

2. H₂O masers and host environments of FU Orionis and EX Lupi type low-mass eruptive YSOs

Zsófia Marianna Szabó, Yan Gong, **Wenjin Yang**, Karl M. Menten, Olga S. Bayandina, Claudia J. Cyganowski, Ágnes Kóspál, Péter Ábrahám, Arnaud Belloche, Friedrich Wyrowski, 2024, IAU, 380, 246

1. Searching masers from the Sagittarius stellar stream

Yuanwei Wu, Bo Zhang, Yan Gong, **Wenjin Yang**, Nicolas Mauron, 2024, IAU, 380, 128