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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Modified/alternative theories of gravity, general relativity, black holes, cosmology, stellar astrophysics, nonlinear dynamical systems, chaos theory

#### **EDUCATION**

University of St Andrews, UK

Master of Science in Astrophysics, with Distinction

Supervisors: Dr. Keith Horne, Dr. Martin Dominik, Dr. Ian Bonnell

University of the Philippines Diliman, Philippines

Bachelor of Science in Physics, Summa Cum Laude

Supervisor: Dr. Ian Vega

2023 - 2024

GPA: 17.2

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GWA: 1.1471

Ateneo de Manila Senior High School, Philippines STEM Strand, Valedictorian, First Honors, STEM Strand Award 2016 - 2018

# PREPRINTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Yulo Asuncion M., Horne K., Kusano R., & Dominik, M., Structure of Kerr black hole spacetimes in Weyl conformal gravity, arXiv Preprint (2025)
- 2. Yulo JM. and Vega I., Strange attractors of long-period variable stars in a one-zone model of stellar pulsation, Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 39, SPP-2021-1C-04 (2021)

#### ACADEMIC RESEARCH PROJECTS

# School of Physics and Astronomy, University of St Andrews

**Title:** Structure of Kerr black hole spacetimes in Weyl conformal gravity **Supervisors:** Dr. Keith Horne, Dr. Martin Dominik

2024

We map the spacetime structures and extremal limits of solutions to the rotating Mannheim-Kazanas metric for varying values of the conformal gravity  $\beta, \gamma$ , and  $\kappa$  parameters.

-  $Preprint\ available$ 

Title: Accretion and the formation of high mass stars

2024

2020 - 2022

Supervisor: Dr. Ian Bonnell

We tackle the angular momentum problem of massive star formation by developing a semi-analytic criterion for the accretion of gas and apply it to an N-body simulation of a molecular cloud core.

# National Institute of Physics, University of the Philippines Diliman

**Title:** Dynamics and strange attractors of stellar pulsation in one-zone models of long-period variable stars

Supervisor: Dr. Ian Vega

We discover a phase space equilibrium curve and morphological similarities between the non-adiabaticity and  $\kappa$ -mechanism routes to chaos in one-zone models of variable stars.

- Second paper in preparation

Structure of Kerr black hole spacetimes in Weyl conformal gravity Contributed Talk ISAPP School: Neutrinos and Dark Matter	Bad Liebenzell, Germany	2024
Strange attractors of long-period variable stars in a one-zo of stellar pulsation [Link] Contributed Talk 39 <sup>th</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas (Philippine Physics Society) Con		2023
Intracellular biodiesel production and lipid characterization of microalgae isolated from local water environs in the Ate de Manila University Poster Presentation International Conference of the Korean Society for Molecular and Conference of the Korean Society	eneo	2017
ACADEMIC HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS		
Distinction Degree Classification University of St Andrews		2024
Dean's List University of St Andrews		202
Vice-Chancellor's International Scholarship (£2,000) Cardiff University Declined due to pursuing MSc Astrophysics at the University of St Andrew	Declined $vs$	202
Science and Enginering Global Excellence Scholarship (£2,0) Queen Mary University of London Declined due to pursuing MSc Astrophysics at the University of St Andrew	,	202
Summa Cum Laude University of the Philippines Diliman		202
Leticia Shahani Award for Best Undergraduate Thesis in E College of Science, University of the Philippines Diliman	Physics (₱10,000)	202
University and College Scholar College of Science, University of the Philippines Diliman (Semestral Award)	2018	- 202
Ateneo Freshman Merit Scholarship (₱200,000) Ateneo de Manila University Declined due to pursuing BS Physics at the University of the Philippines	$\begin{tabular}{ll} Declined \\ Diliman \end{tabular}$	201
SCHOOLS AND WORKSHOPS ATTENDED		
SIGRAV International School 2025 [Link] Italian Society for General Relativity and Gravitational Physics	Salerno, Italy	202
XVII Black Holes Workshop [Link] University of Aveiro	Aveiro, Portugal	202
ISAPP School: Neutrinos and Dark Matter [Link] Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	Bad Liebenzell, Germany	202

12 <sup>th</sup> Aegean Summer School [Link] National Technical University of Athens	Sifnos, Greece	2024
Advanced School on Quantum Spacetime [Link] University of Warsaw	Warsaw, Poland	2024
Star Clusters: The Gaia Revolution [Link] Institute of Cosmos Sciences, University of Barcelona	Online	2021
2 <sup>nd</sup> Gravity Group Workshop Gravity Group, National Insitute of Physics, University of the Philippines Dilim	Online	2020

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

# Digital Assets Manager, Canlubang Waterworks Corporation, Philippines 2022 - 2023

- Assisted in the web integration of this provincial utilities company.
- Executed quantitative calculations relating to water flow and distribution.

# Debate Coach, Ateneo de Manila Senior High School, Philippines 2018 - 2022 Trained and mentored high school students to become champions and top speakers of dozens of international, regional, and local parliamentary debate competitions.

#### **SKILLS**

# Programming Languages and Typesetting

Python, Mathematica, Fortran, LATEX

# Programming Packages/Libraries

numpy, matplotlib, pandas, astropy, MESA, xCoba, TikZ, etc.

#### Languages

English, Filipino

#### Miscellaneous

- Multi-awarded parliamentary debate speaker
- Operations head of numerous debate tournaments

#### REFERENCES

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