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EDUCATION	The University of Tennessee , Knoxville, TN Ph.D. in Physics, Department of Physics & Astronomy August 2015 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis title: <i>Nucleosynthesis in Self-Consistent Core-Collapse Supernova Models using Multidimensional Chimera Simulations</i> • Thesis committee: Dr. William “Raph” Hix (adviser), Dr. O. E. “Bronson” Messer, Dr. Michael W. Guidry, Dr. Thomas Papenbrock, Dr. Jack Dongarra • Area of study: Nuclear and computational Astrophysics • Interdisciplinary Graduate Minor in Computational Science M.S. in Physics, Department of Physics & Astronomy July 2012	
	Murray State University , Murray, KY B.S. in Engineering Physics, Department of Engineering and Physics May 2009 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> • Second major in Mathematics & Statistics 	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Computational Scientist January 2019 to present Science Engagement, National Center for Computational Sciences, Oak Ridge National Laboratory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exascale Computing Project (ECP): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ <i>ExaStar: Exascale Models of Stellar Explosions: Quintessential Multi-Physics Simulation</i> ◦ PI: Dr. Daniel N. Kasen • ORNL lead for OLCF-5 Scientific & Math Libraries • INCITE co-PI: Long term simulations of core-collapse supernovae Postdoctoral Research Associate April 2017 to December 2018 Science Engagement, National Center for Computational Sciences, Oak Ridge National Laboratory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisor: Dr. Judith Hill • Mentor: Dr. O. E. “Bronson” Messer • Center for Accelerated Application Readiness (CAAR) project: 	

- *Using FLASH for Astrophysics Simulations at an Unprecedented Scale*
- PI: Dr. O. E. “Bronson” Messer
- Utilize GPUs in the **FLASH** supernova code to enable increased physical fidelity and connect core-collapse supernova simulations to observational signatures
- Exascale Computing Project (ECP):
 - (*ExaStar*) Develop and implement shared multi-physics interfaces for **FLASH5**

Postdoctoral Research Fellow September 2015 to April 2017

Nuclear Science Division, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

- Supervisors: Dr. Daniel N. Kasen, Dr. Wick C. Haxton
- Exascale Computing Project (ECP):
 - (*ExaStar*) Develop new software ecosystem to exploit exascale systems to provide ground-breaking simulations of stellar explosions
 - Establish framework for extending supernova simulations with multiple codes
 - Effects of mass loss on supernova progenitor structure and explosion dynamics

Graduate Research Assistant January 2011 to August 2015

Department of Physics & Astronomy, University of Tennessee

- Supervisors: Dr. William “Raph” Hix (August 2013–August 2015), Dr. O. E. “Bronson” Messer (May 2012–July 2013), Dr. Michael W. Guidry (January 2011–April 2012)
- Core-collapse supernova nucleosynthesis

AWARDS

2022 R&D 100 Winner: Flash-X, a Multiphysics Simulation Software

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TECHNICAL SKILLS	<p>Code contributions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CASTRO<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GitHub: https://github.com/AMReX-Astro/Castro• CHIMERA• FLASH-X<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GitHub: https://github.com/Flash-X• THORNADO<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GitHub: https://github.com/endeve/thornado• WEAKLIB<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GitHub: https://github.com/starkiller-astro/weaklib• XNET<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GitHub: https://github.com/starkiller-astro/XNet <p>Computer Programming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fortran, C, Python, UNIX shell scripting, GNU Make <p>High-Performance Computing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CUDA, HIP, MPI, OpenMP, OpenACC, MAGMA, HDF5 <p>Visualization Software:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• FFmpeg, gnuplot, MATLAB, VisIt