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Physics and the Making of “The Big Bang” TV Comedy Series

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For the last three years I have served as the physics consultant for the popular television situation-comedy “The Big Bang Theory” which features physicists, astronomers, and engineers as its main characters. I will describe my role in the production. I will also describe the opportunities it has afforded for public outreach for physics and astronomy education. Based on my experience, I will discuss methods for interested scientists to get involved in the entertainment industry.