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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis (UC Davis), CA, USA

PhD, Physics

June 2012

Dissertation: “Computational Studies of Condensed Matter Systems: MnV_2O_4 and the 2D attractive Hubbard model with spin-dependent disorder”

Advisor: Prof. Sergey Savrasov

San Jose State University, San Jose, CA, USA

MS, Physics

August 2005

San Jose State University, San Jose, CA, USA

BS, Physics with minor in Math

May 2002

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Physics

Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Chennai, India: 11/2022 – 8/2023

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Brown University: 10/2017 – 6/2020

Supervisor: Prof. Brenda Rubenstein

1) Conducting computational physics research on the electronic structure of transition metal oxides and actinide compounds using methods such as density functional theory (DFT), full configuration interaction (FCI), and quantum monte-carlo (QMC).

2) I used custom physics codes to perform the research as well as wrote my own Python code to implement the Hartree-Fock algorithm of quantum chemistry.

Postdoctoral Research Associate

University of Illinois at Chicago: 8/2015 – 12/2016

Supervisor: Prof. Hyowon Park

- 1) Conducting computational physics research on the electronic structure of transition metal oxides using computational methods such as density functional theory (DFT) and charge self-consistent dynamical mean-field theory (DMFT).
- 2) Study of the structural and magnetic phase transitions in bulk and strained transition metal oxides.

Postdoctoral Research Associate

University of Notre Dame: 1/2014 – 5/2015

Supervisor: Prof. John Parkhill

- 1) Performed research on the electronic structure and molecular dynamics of photovoltaic materials, and non-radiative energy transfer in molecules using density functional theory, many-body excited state methods such as GW+BSE, and the Redfield equation.
- 2) Developed a method to propagate non-equilibrium electron and hole density matrices based on the Mukherjee-Kutzelnigg generalized normal ordering and the Redfield equation.
- 3) I wrote Python scripts to automate electronic structure job submissions to the HPC clusters, as well as for subsequent data collection for analysis.

Visiting Scholar

UC Davis: 4/2013 – 12/2013

Supervisor: Prof. Sergey Savrasov

Postdoctoral Scholar

UC Davis: 4/2012 – 4/2013

Supervisor: Prof. Sergey Savrasov

- 1) Investigating the electronic structure and computing exchange interactions of Uranium dioxide (UO₂).
- 2) Calculating spin-waves of UO₂ from a generalized Heisenberg model.

Graduate Student Researcher (GSR)

UC Davis: 9/2008 – 12/2009 and 9/2011 – 3/2012

- 1) Performed computational physics research involving simulation of the electronic structure of materials and calculation of various physical properties using first-principles codes.

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2) Calculated the exchange constants in magnetic materials using linear response; used the calculated parameters in a Heisenberg model and solved for the spin-waves of the materials.

3) Designed, implemented, tested, and used Fortran code to map the mean-field phase diagram of the 2D spin-dependent, disordered, attractive Hubbard model.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Physics

Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Chennai, India: 11/2022 – 8/2023

Teaching undergraduate courses in engineering physics and properties of materials

Visiting Lecturer

Brown University: 9/2019 – 5/2020

Developed and taught the graduate level quantum mechanics and quantum chemistry courses in the Department of Chemistry at Brown University during the 2019 – 2020 academic year.

Teaching Assistant

UC Davis: 9/2005 - 8/2008 and 1/2010 – 8/2011

1) Taught lower-division undergraduate physics labs for science and engineering majors, and for life-science majors.

2) One-on-one interactions with students during lab and office hours to facilitate their understanding of concepts and improve their problem-solving abilities

3) Graded assignments for several undergraduate physics courses

4) Reader for upper-division physics courses: Classical Mechanics, Quantum Mechanics

5) Reader for graduate physics courses: Electricity and Magnetism, Mathematical Methods

PUBLICATIONS

1) A Combined First Principles Study of the Structural, Magnetic, and Phonon Properties of Monolayer CrI₃

Ref: <https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0074848> – Published January 7, 2022

Authors: Daniel Staros, Guoxiang Hu, Juha Tiihonen, Ravindra Nanguneri, Jaron Krogel, M. Chandler Bennett, Olle Heinonen, Panchapakesan Ganesh, Brenda Rubenstein

2) First principles calculations of the electric field gradient tensors of Ba₂NaOsO₆, a Mott insulator with strong spin orbit coupling

Ref: [Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter, 32 405802](#) – Published July 3, 2020

Authors: Rong Cong, Ravindra Nanguneri, Brenda M. Rubenstein, V. F. Mitrovic

3) Evidence from first-principles calculations for orbital ordering in Ba₂NaOsO₆: A Mott insulator with strong spin-orbit coupling

Ref: [Physical Review B 100, 245141 – Published 24 December 2019](#)

Authors: Rong Cong, Ravindra Nanguneri, Brenda M. Rubenstein, V. F. Mitrovic

4) DFT+DMFT study of spin-charge-lattice coupling in covalent LaCoO₃

Ref: [Physical Review B 101, 195125 – Published 13 May 2020](#)

Authors: Hyowon Park, Ravindra Nanguneri, Anh T. Ngo

5) Ferromagnetism and Charge Order from a Frozen Electron Configuration

Ref: [Physical Review Letters 120, 197201](#) – Published 8 May 2018

Authors: G. E. Sterbinsky, Ravindra Nanguneri, J. X. Ma, J. Shi, E. Karapetrova, J. C. Woicik, H. Park, J.-W. Kim, and P. J. Ryan

6) How Electronic Dynamics with Pauli Exclusion Produces Fermi-Dirac Statistics

Ref: [Journal of Chemical Physics 142, 134113](#) – published 7 April 2015

Authors: Triet Nguyen, Ravindra Nanguneri, John Parkhill

7) Relaxation Between Bright Optical Wannier Excitons in Perovskite Solar Absorber CH₃NH₃PbI₃

Ref: [arXiv:1411.1110v1](#) [cond-mat.mtrl-sci]

Authors: Ravindra Nanguneri, John Parkhill

8) Anisotropic multipolar exchange interactions in systems with strong spin-orbit coupling

Ref: [Physical Review B 90, 045148](#) - published 31 July 2014

Authors: S.-T. Pi, Ravindra Nanguneri, S. Y. Savrasov

9) Calculation of Multipolar Exchange Interactions in Spin-Orbit Coupled Systems

Ref: [Physical Review Letters 112, 077203](#) - published 20 February 2014

Authors: S.-T. Pi, Ravindra Nanguneri, S. Y. Savrasov

10) Exchange constants and spin waves of the orbital ordered, non-collinear spinel MnV₂O₄

Ref: [Physical Review B 86, 085138](#) - published 24 August 2012

Authors: Ravindra Nanguneri, S. Y. Savrasov

11) Gapless inhomogeneous superfluid phase with spin-dependent disorder

Ref: [New Journal of Physics 15, 023023](#) – published 15 February 2013

Authors: M. Jiang, [Ravindra Nanguneri](#), N. Trivedi, G. G. Batrouni, R. T. Scalettar

12) Interplay of Superconductivity and Spin-Dependent Disorder

Ref: [Physical Review B 85, 134506](#) – published 9 April 2012

Authors: [Ravindra Nanguneri](#), M. Jiang, T. Cary, G. G. Batrouni, R. T. Scalettar

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Electronic Structure codes: VASP, LMTO, Quantum Espresso, Q-Chem, Berkeley GW, YAMBO, DFT+DMFT, Wannier90, QMCpack

Programming languages: Python, R, Java, C/C++, MATLAB, Fortran, Mathematica

Data analysis tools: Excel, Pandas, NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-Learn

Databases: SQL, PostgreSQL

GRADUATE COURSES

Classical Mechanics, Mathematical Methods,
Electromagnetic Theory, Quantum Mechanics,
Statistical Mechanics, Condensed Matter Physics,
Superconductivity, Quantum Magnetism,
Quantum Field Theory, Particle Physics,
Computational Physics, Numerical Methods

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Physical Society, 2019 – 2020

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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