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Education

- Ph.D. Physics, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory (1995).
Thesis title: *Dynamic Properties of Strongly Correlated Fermionic Systems*.
Thesis advisor: Elbio Dagotto.
- Vordiplom Physics, Technische Universität Berlin, Germany (1989).

Employment

- Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southern California (2006 - present).
- Associate Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southern California (2002 - 2006).
- Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southern California (1998 - 2002).
- Postdoctoral Research Associate, Theoretische Physik, ETH Zürich (1995-1998).
- Graduate Assistant, Department of Physics, National High Magnetic Field Laboratory and Supercomputer Computations Research Institute, Florida State University (1990-1995).

Administrative Appointments

- Chair, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southern California (2015 - present).

Accomplishments: implemented shared governance structure of department, engaging all stakeholders (faculty, postdocs, students, staff), hired five tenure track faculty members and three non-tenure track faculty member, thus strengthening the areas of biophysics, quantum information, astronomy and science pedagogy, increased diversity among faculty members, instigated appointment of eight joint faculty members, oversaw successful promotion of three faculty members, increased donations to department by \$150K over two years by reaching out to former members, engaged with nearby Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Carnegie Observatories to restart USCs astrophysics program, organized external review of department, resulting in substantially increased hiring authorizations (2 per year instead of 1 every other years), started bi-monthly departmental newsletter, initiated \$500K remodel of astronomy suite, established annual department retreat. Oversight: 31 faculty, 12 staff, annual operating budget: \$500K.

- Vice Dean for Research, Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, University of Southern California (2010 - 2012).

Accomplishments: hired 5 transformative faculty, secured \$400,000 for research instrumentation competition, enhancing research capabilities in molecular biology, biophysics and chemistry, developed research center proposals which got funded by NSF and DoE, oversaw research administration of \$75M grant volume, increased tech support for research core facilities (Center for Electron Microscopy and Micro-analysis, Molecular Genomics Core), obtained funding for major instrumentation (transmission electron microscope, high-end sequencing machines), participated in planning of new science-engineering building. Oversight: 400 faculty, 8 staff, annual operating budget: \$350K plus extra initiatives mentioned above.

- Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southern California (2006 - 2010).

Accomplishments: increased applicant pool from ,100 to ,150 candidates, grew PhD program from 65 to 80 graduate students, raised average subject GRE score to 850, modernized graduate curriculum, reduced average time to graduation from 6 to 5.2 years, organized graduate recruitment trips and open house events, wrote comprehensive guideline pamphlet for PhD students, reorganized departmental website, increased networking with former graduate students leading to high-quality job placements (Google, Amazon, Financial Industry). Oversight: 85 graduate students, annual operating budget: \$100K.

Current Research Interests

- Strongly Correlated Electrons: microscopic models and phenomenology of quantum many-body systems, quantum-to-classical crossover phenomena, phase transitions in open quantum systems, equilibration and thermalization .
- Quantum Magnetism: quantum phase diagrams, transport, thermodynamics and excitation spectra of low-dimensional quantum magnets.
- Impurities: disorder effects in superconductors and quantum magnets, impurity induced ordering, novel quantum glass phases.
- Quantum Information Theory: information geometry of quantum phase transitions, analysis of quantum phase transition using fidelity and entanglement measures.
- Quantum Devices: design of nanoscale devices by numerical optimization of atomic and molecular configurations that enable desired target response.

Teaching Experience

- Undergraduate Courses: Conceptual Physics, Physics for the Life Sciences, Calculus Based Physics: Mechanics and Thermodynamics, Electricity and Magnetism.
- Graduate Courses: Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics, Solid State Physics, Methods of Computational Physics, Advanced Solid State Physics.

Grants and Awards

- Grants from the National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Office of Naval Research, Airforce Research Office, Petroleum Research Fund and Zumberge Foundation.
- University of Southern California: Mellon Award for Excellence in Mentoring, Associates Award for Excellence in Teaching, Office of International Services: Faculty Recognition Award, College of Letters, Arts and Sciences: Raubenheimer Award, College of Letters, Arts and Sciences: General Education Award.
- Graduate Fellowships from the Supercomputer Computations Research Institute at the Florida State University and the Fulbright Foundation.
- Humboldt Foundation: Bessel Award.

Advisement and Outreach Activities

- Principal Investigator of the USC Computational Condensed Matter Research Group.
- Organizer of USC Condensed Matter Physics Seminar.
- Organizer of “Physics Instant Update - a Workshop for High School Teachers” .
- Organizer of CALTECH-USC-UCLA Joint Condensed Matter Seminar.
- Judge at California State Science Fair, Lecturer at USC Orientation Faculty Showcase and Summer Bridge Program for Underrepresented Freshmen, USC Liaison to Los Angeles Physics Teachers Association, Member of the USC Thornton School of Music Early Music Ensemble.

Publications

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Current Research

I am interested in topics related to nanoscience, quantum magnetism, and unconventional superconductivity. My research group investigates microscopic models of interacting electronic systems, using numerical techniques to study their phase diagrams, thermodynamics and excitation spectra. Recently, we have investigated field-induced phase transitions in quantum spin liquids, developed optimization algorithms to design nanoscale opto-electronic devices, and applied BCS theory to investigate the consequences of unconventional superconductivity in strongly correlated materials. Our work is connected to experiments in the fields of nano-photonics, quantum antiferromagnetism, and high-temperature superconductivity. Our numerical codes include the Stochastic Series Expansion Quantum Monte Carlo, which is based on a series expansion of the operator $\exp(-\beta \hat{H})$, the Dynamical Density Matrix Renormalization Group, which is a powerful technique to extract finite-frequency correlation functions of quasi-1D systems, and Genetic Optimization, which we have implemented on parallel computers to find broken-symmetry configurations that enable target response functions in nanoscale devices.

Quantum Percolation: Percolation is known to occur in a variety of contexts, ranging from blood vessel formation to clusters of atoms deposited on substrate surfaces. A fundamental question which forms the basis of this project is whether the classical picture of permeating networks also applies to systems whose behavior is dominated by strong quantum fluctuations. In this respect, low-dimensional quantum magnets offer an ideal testing ground to investigate the interplay between quantum fluctuations and geometric randomness. We use the Stochastic Series Expansion Quantum Monte Carlo method to investigate quantum phase transitions in the spin-1/2 Heisenberg antiferromagnet on square lattices with inhomogeneous bond dilution. Recently, we demonstrated that quantum fluctuations can be continuously tuned by inhomogeneous bond dilution, eventually leading to the destruction of long-range magnetic order on the percolating cluster.

Adaptive Quantum Design: It is now becoming possible to control the precise spatial positions of atoms and molecules using the experimental techniques now being developed by nanoscience. To utilize these emerging capabilities we are creating new computational tools to assist in the exploration of a potentially vast number of atom configurations and a corresponding enormous range of physical properties. In particular, we are developing adaptive quantum design algorithms to identify the best broken-symmetry spatial configurations of nanoscale building blocks such as atoms and molecules that enable desired target function responses. Recently, we have applied these techniques to tailor the quasiparticle density of states in atomic clusters, to achieve specific transmission profiles in dielectric structures for photonics, and to engineer many-body wave functions in quantum wells which can be used as excitonic modulators.