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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Condensed Matter PhysicsAugust 2011Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LADissertation: "Evolution of Structural and Physical Properties of Transition Metal Oxide $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$ $(0 \le x \le 0.7)$ with Mn Concentration"Supervisors: Prof. Ward Plummer & Prof. Rongying Jin

M.S. in Physics July 2005 Fudan University, Shanghai, China Thesis: "Stability of adatoms and islands on Ag(111) and Cu(111) surfaces"

Supervisor: Prof. Xi-Jing Ning

B.S. in Physics Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow	October 2011 – Present
Department of Mechanical Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin	Supervisor: Prof. Jianshi Zhou

- Grew single crystals of YTiO₃, high temperature superconductor $(La_{1-x}Sr_x)_2CaCu_2O_{6+\delta}$, colossal magnetoresistance manganite $La_{2-2x}Sr_{1+2x}Mn_2O_7$ via Float Zone (FZ)/ Traveling Solvent FZ method
- Characterized structural properties of $YTiO_3$, $(La_{1-x}Sr_x)_2CaCu_2O_{6+\delta}$, and $La_{2-2x}Sr_{1+2x}Mn_2O_7$ via XRD and Laue back diffraction
- Measured electrical, magnetic, thermopower and thermal conductivity properties of $YTiO_3$, $(La_{1-x}Sr_x)_2CaCu_2O_{6+\delta}$, and $La_{2-2x}Sr_{1+2x}Mn_2O_7$
- Concentration analysis of $La_{2\text{-}2x}Sr_{1+2x}Mn_2O_7$ using ICP-MS and thermal analysis of $La_{2\text{-}2x}Sr_{1+2x}Mn_2O_7$ using TG-TDA
- Set up a high concentration ozone generation apparatus to oxidize high temperature superconductors

Graduate Research Assistant

August 2005 – August 2011

July 2002

Department of Physics & Astronomy, The University of Tennessee/Oak Ridge National Laboratory & Louisiana State University Supervisors: Prof. Ward Plummer & Prof. Rongying Jin

Synthesis and Characterization of Transition Metal Oxides

- Grew high quality single crystals $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$ ($0.0 \le x \le 0.7$) and $Ca_{2-x}Sr_xRuO_4$ (x = 0.3, 1.0) via Floating Zone method
- Crystallographic structures of single-crystalline Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ via single-crystal x-ray diffraction (XRD)
- Resistivity, Specific Heat, Hall Coefficient, Thermo Transport measurements of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ based on PPMS (Model 6000, Quantum Design)
- Magnetic Susceptibility measurements under MPMS-XL (7T) and Vibrating Sample Magnetometer (14T) (Quantum Design)
- Constructed a phase diagram in $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$, showing metal-to-insulator transition and magnetic transition
- Determined magnetic structure of single crystal $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$ (x = 0.16) via elastic neutron scattering experiment
- Heat Capacity measurement under Dilution Refrigerate option on PPMS
- Surface topography and compositions of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ via Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) & Energy-dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy (EDS)
- High resolution Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) imaging of Sr₃Ru₂O₇

Surface science related work

- Investigated surface structure of ruthenate Sr₃Ru₂O₇ and iron pnictide superconductors BaFe_{2-x}Co_xAs₂ by quantitative Low Energy Electron Diffraction (LEED *I-V*) spectra
- Studied surface lattice dynamics of single layered ruthenate by High Resolution Electron Energy Loss Spectroscopy (HREELS, LK 2000)
- Participated in the design and build of an integrated system with LEED, HREELS (LK 5000), Variable Temperature Scanning Tunneling Microscopy (VT-STM, Omicron), Molecule Beam Epitaxy (MBE) and X-ray Photoemission Spectroscopy (XPS).
- Tested the new high resolution electron energy loss spectrometer (LK 5000) in a direct beam mode

Graduate Research Assistant				September 2002 - July 2005
Institute of Modern Physics,	Fudan University,	Shanghai,	China	Supervisor: Prof. Xi-Jing Ning

- Investigated decaying mechanism of adatom on solid surface via molecular dynamics (MD) simulation
- Simulated pulsed laser deposition (PLD) process of Cu clusters on Cu(111) surface via MD method

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Crystal growth

- Single crystal growth via Floating Zone method in **Optical Image Furnaces** with two halogen lamps (Model: Canon SC1-MDH20020; NEC SC-M15HD and NEC SC-M35HD) and four Xenon lamps (Model: FZ-T-12000-X-VPM-PC, Crystal Systems Corp.)
- Synthesis of polycrystals via conventional solid-state reaction
- Grow single crystals via self-flux method
- Czochralski (CZ) method and Bridgman technique
- Routinely operate and maintain high temperature furnaces and image furnaces
- Sample preparation in glove box

Materials Characterization

- Investigation of electrical, magnetic and thermodynamic properties based on **PPMS** and **MPMS** (Quantum Design)
- Powder X-ray and Neutron diffraction; Single-crystal X-ray diffraction structural refinements using SHELXL-97 and FullProf program
- Concentration analysis via inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS)
- Study sample surface topography and element analysis via **SEM & EDS**
- High-resolution TEM imaging and routine TEM specimen preparation
- Investigation of surface topography via Scanning Tunneling Microscopy (STM) and Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM)
- Design and build new facility for *in situ* process on sample preparation in Ultra-high Vacuum (UHV) chamber
- Thin film growth on metal oxide surface using Pulsed Laser Deposition (PLD)
- Sample processing via Focused Ion Beam (FIB) technique
- Sample cleaning via sputter gun and coating process via ion beam sputtering (IBS)
- Electron-beam evaporation, Electrochemical etching

COMPUTING SKILLS

- Computer programming languages FORTRAN, C, perl, LabVIEW
- Engineering computing and designing using packages Matlab, AutoCAD
- Familiar with operation system Linux, Unix

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Physics of complex electron systems in bulk and surface or interface: Strongly correlated transition metal oxides (colossal magnetoresistive manganites, high temperature superconductors, strontium ruthenates, cobalt oxides)
- Synthesis and characterization of low dimensional materials, nanostructures for technological application (green materials)
- Novel crystal growth and materials characterization methodology

AWARDS AND HONORS

•	Ganesh Chanmugam Distinguished Dissertation A	ward Louisiana State University	2012
•	Sigma Pi Sigma Inductees	The University of Tennessee	2008
•	Excellent League Leader	Fudan University, China	2004
•	Academic Excellence Scholarship	Lanzhou University, China	1998 - 2000

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Refereeing for journal: Physical Review Letters; Physical Review B; Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics; Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter; Nanotechnology; Journal of Alloys and Compounds; International Journal of Modern Physics B

PUBLICATIONS

- Keeseong Park, Bing Li, Despina Louca, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Jianshi Zhou, John B. Goodenough, "Local distortions and orbital ordering in YTiO₃", proceedings of the 19th International Conference on Magnetism 2012, Journal of the Korean Physical Society (Submitted)
- 2. <u>Biao Hu</u>, E. W. Plummer, and R. Jin, "Field-Induced Metallicity in Insulating $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$ ", (To be submitted)
- V. B. Nascimento, J. W. Freeland, <u>Biao Hu</u>, E. W. Plummer and R. Jin, "Element-resolved electronic and magnetic properties of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇", (To be submitted)
- Dalgis Mesa, F. Ye, S. Chi, J. A. Fernandez-Baca, W. Tian, <u>Biao Hu</u>, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer and J. Zhang, "Single-bilayer *E*-type antiferromagnetism in Mn-substituted Sr₃Ru₂O₇: Neutron scattering study", *Physical Review B*(R) 85, 180410 (2012)
- <u>Biao Hu</u>, Gregory T. McCandless, V. O. Garlea, S. Stadler, Yimin Xiong, Julia Y. Chan, E. W. Plummer, and R. Jin, "Structure-property coupling in Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇", *Physical Review B*, 84, 174411 (2011)
- Biao Hu, Gregory T. McCandless, Melissa Menard, V. B. Nascimento, Julia Y. Chan, E. W. Plummer, and R. Jin, "Surface and bulk structural properties of single-crystalline Sr₃Ru₂O₇", *Physical Review B*, 81, 184104 (2010)
- Tae-Hwan Kim, M. Angst, <u>B. Hu</u>, R. Jin, X.-G. Zhang, J. F. Wendelken, E. W. Plummer, and An-Ping Li, "Imaging and manipulation of the competing electronic phases near the Mott metal-insulator transition", *Proceedings of National Academy of Sciences*, 107, 5272-5275 (2010)
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- F. C. Niestemski, Von Braun Nascimento, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Ward Plummer, J. Gillett, Suchitra Sebastian, Ziqiang Wang, V. Madhavan, "Unveiling the Atomic and Electronic Structure at the Surface of the Parent Pnictide SrFe₂As₂", arXiv: 0906.2761
- V. B. Nascimento, Ang Li, D. R. Jayasundara, Yi Xuan, J. O'Neal, Shuheng H. Pan, T. Y. Chien, <u>Biao Hu</u>, X. B. He, Guorong Li, A.S. Sefat, M.A. McGuire, B.C. Sales, D. Mandrus, M. H. Pan, Jiandi Zhang, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer, "Surface Geometric and Electronic Structure of BaFe₂As₂(001)", *Physical Review Letters* 103, 076104 (2009)
- Xiu-Fang Gong, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Xi-Jing Ning, and Jun Zhuang, "Decay mechanism of double-layer islands on close-packed surfaces: Silver on Ag(111) and copper on Cu(111)", *Thin Solid Films*, Vol. 493, Issues 1-2, P146-151 (2005)
- 12. <u>Biao Hu</u>, Xiu-Fang Gong, Xi-Jing Ning, "Dynamical Behaviour of Ag and Cu Double-Layered Islands on fcc (111) Surfaces", *Chinese Physics Letters*, Vol. 22, 427 (2005)

PRESENTATIONS, POSTERS AND ABSTRACTS

- <u>Biao Hu</u>, E. W. Plummer, R. Jin, "Suppression of an antiferromagnetic insulating phase in Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ by magnetic field", American Physical Society March Meeting, February 27 March 2, Boston, MA (2012)
- Jing Teng, Chen Chen, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Jiandi Zhang, Rongying Jin, E. W. Plummer, "Surface dynamics and electronic properties of parent and Mn doped Sr₃Ru₂O₇", American Physical Society March Meeting, February 27 March 2, Boston, MA (2012)
- Ward Plummer, Guorong Li, Qing Li, Minghu Pan, <u>Biao Hu</u>, V. B. Nascimento, Jiandi Zhang, Rongying Jin, "STM study of the Mn-dopants on the Surface of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ (x = 6%, 16%)", American Physical Society March Meeting, February 27 March 2, Boston, MA (2012)
- Dalgis Mesa, Feng Ye, Songxue Chi, Jaime A. Fernandez-Baca, V. O. Garlea, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Rongying Jin, E.

W. Plummer, Jiandi Zhang, "Anomalous *E*-type antiferromagnetism in the ground state of Mn-substituted $Sr_3Ru_2O_7$ ", American Physical Society March Meeting, February 27 – March 2, Boston, MA (2012)

- <u>Biao Hu</u>, Gregory T. McCandless, V. O. Garlea, S. Stadler, E. W. Plummer, R. Jin, "Correlation between structural and magnetic properties in Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ single crystals", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 21 25, Dallas, TX (2011)
- V. B. Nascimento, J. W. Freeland, <u>Biao Hu</u>, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer, "Element-resolved electronic and magnetic properties of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 21 25, Dallas, TX (2011)
- <u>Biao Hu</u>, Gregory T. McCandless, E. W. Plummer, R. Jin, "Doping dependence of physical, electrical and magnetic properties of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ single crystals", 77th Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Section of American Physical Society, October 20 23, Baton Rouge, LA (2010)
- <u>Biao Hu</u>, Gregory T. McCandless, E. W. Plummer, R. Jin, "Evolution of physical properties with Mn content in Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇ single crystals", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 15 19, Portand, OR (2010)
- V. B. Nascimento, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Rongying Jin, E. W. Plummer, "The structure of the (001) surface of Sr₃(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)₂O₇", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 15 19, Portand, OR (2010)
- <u>Biao Hu</u>, V. B. Nascimento, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer, Minghu Pan, An-ping Li, David Mandrus, Shuheng Pan, "Structural analysis of the surface of bilayered ruthenate Sr₃Ru₂O₇", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 16 20, Pittsburg, PA (2009)
- Teyu Chien, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Shuheng Pan, V. B. Nascimento, E. W. Plummer, "LEED structural analysis of strongly correlated systems: reaching the limit of the instrumentation?", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 16 20, Pittsburg, PA (2009)
- Haizhong Guo, Yi Li, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Rongying Jin, E. W. Plummer, Jiandi Zhang, D. Urbina, Tijiang Liu, David Fobes, Zhiqiang Mao, "Dimensionality and doping effect on the core-level X-ray photoemission satellites in layered ruthenates", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 16 20, Pittsburg, PA (2009)
- Tae-Hwan Kim, M. Angst, R. Jin, X. G. Zhang, J. F. Wendelken, A. P. Li, <u>B. Hu</u>, E. W. Plummer, "Real-space imaging of electronic phase separation in a Mn-doped bilayered ruthenate", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 16 – 20, Pittsburg, PA (2009)
- V. B. Nascimento, X. B. He, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer, T. Y. Chien, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Guorong Li, M. H. Pan, J. F. Wendelken, A. S. Sefat, M. A. McGuire, B. C. Sales, D. Mandrus, Ang Li, D. R. Jayasundra, Yi Xuan, J. O'Neal, Shuheng Pan, "Structural investigation of the BaFe₂As₂(001) surface using LEED and STM", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 16 20, Pittsburg, PA (2009)
- <u>Biao Hu</u>, V. B. Nascimento, R. Jin, E. W. Plummer, Manuel Angst, Ovidiu Garlea, David Mandrus, "Doping-induced structural and physical properties changes in $Sr_3(Ru_{1-x}Mn_x)_2O_7$ ($0 \le x \le 0.2$) single crystals", American Physical Society March Meeting, March 10 – 14, New Orleans, LA (2008)
- Xiu-Fang Gong, <u>Biao Hu</u>, Xi-Jing Ning, "Decay mechanism of double-layer Cu/Ag islands on Cu/Ag(111) surfaces", Poster on International Conference on Physics Education & Frontier Research in the 4th OCPA Joint Meeting of Chinese Physicists World-Wide, Shanghai, China Jun 28 Jul 1, 2004

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