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Cold Atoms Group in the Columbia University (New York)

Education

2004-2008

• **Ph.D. in the Laboratoire Kastler-Brossel**, École Normale Supérieure de Paris (ENS Ulm) *Atom Optics Group* led by Claude Cohen-Tannoudji (Nobel Laureate) Ph.D. thesis published as a book sold on amazon.com (see publications)

2001-2005

- Admission through competitive exams, and studies at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris :
 - Master degree in quantum physics
 - ♦ 3 months theoretical study in the Quantum fluid group of the LKB (ENS, Paris)
 - ⋄ 7 months experimental study in the Quantum Optics Laboratory (Humboldt Univ, Berlin)
 - ♦ 1 month experimental study in the Blackett Laboratory (Imperial College, London)

Skills

Research:

- Quantum atom optics (interation between light and ultracold atoms),
- Design and setup of various lasers, optics, vacuum systems
- Design of electronics circuits and intuitive user interfaces for controlling experimental setup

Quantitative:

- Numerical methods, probability theory
- Complex, rigorous analysis as well as back-of-the-envelope calculation

Programming:

- C++, data structures, class hierarchy design, design patterns, algorithm development
- Profiler, version control, Visual studio IDE, symbolic manipulation software (Maple)
- Frameworks : Qt, Boost, Wt (C++ web development)
- Numerical libraries : NLopt, AlgLib, GaLib & Evolving Objects (genetic optimizations)
- Keen interests: genetic algorithms, artificial neural networks
- Agile programming technique, Lean Startup paradigm

Professional Experience

Research:

2011-2012

• Associate Research Scientist in the department of physics at Columbia University (New York)

Optical Production of Stable Ultracold Sr88 Molecules, resulting in 1 article (see publications)

2008-2011

• Postdoc in the department of physics at Columbia University (New York)

Design and setup of the first ultracold atom experiment of the Columbia University

Design of original equipments and software for streamlining the research activity of the lab, resulting in 1 article (see publications)

2004-2008

• **Ph.D.** student in the *Cold Atoms Group* of the Laboratoire Kastler-Brossel (ENS, Paris): *Manipulation and evaporative cooling of ultracold atomic packets for the production of a continuous and intense beam in the degenerate regime*: towards the "continuous atom laser", under the direction of David Guéry-Odelin. (group supervised by Jean Dalibard and Nobel Laureate Claude Cohen-Tannoudji), published as a book in 2010 (see publications)

2004

• **Theoretical work in the** *Quantum fluid Group* of the LKB (ENS, Paris):

Long-lived quantum memory with nuclear atomic spins at room temperature: transferring the squeezing from a vacuum field to the nuclear spin of ³He, under the direction of Alice Sinatra, resulting in 2 articles (see publications)

2003

• Experimental work in the Nano-Optics Laboratory of the Humboldt University in Berlin (Germany):

Implementation of the BB84 quantum cryptography protocol using a source of single photons, under the direction of Oliver Benson, (2 articles related, see publications)

2002

• Experimental work on the Mega Ampere Generator for Plasma Implosion Experiments (MAG-PIE) of the Imperial College (plasma physics group) in London (Great Britain):

Implementation of a pulsed gas jet under vacuum in order to study the plasma jet auto-focalisation, under the direction of Jerry Chittenden

Professional Experience (continued)

Programming a framework for controlling laboratory experiments:

2005-2012

- Project single-handedly designed and coded Used in Columbia University atom-optics experiments
- Main characteristics and features:
 - ⋄ Fully object-oriented, multi-threaded, 30k+ lines
 - Very graphical and interactive user experience
 - Plugin enabled : API for integration of user defined components
 - 30 existing plugins used in atom-optics experiment, including several image processing modules
 - ♦ High degree of modularity and runtime inter-connectivity between components
 - ♦ Interfaces for numerical optimizations (gradient, non-gradient based and genetic)
 - Interface for image processing and shape fitting
 - ♦ Can be seen on vimeo.com/32183792 and vimeo.com/31039111

Reviewing work:

2006

• Establishing the state of the art in the field of atom-optics and atom lasers for the *Prospective Oriented Group on Lasers and Optronics (POLOQ)* within the French department of defense. Goals: participate in the development of technology roadmaps, analyze scientific and technological advances in optronics, highlight technological breakthroughs. (see publications)

Communications:

2010-2012 2007 20006-2008

- Poster presentations at the annual conference Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics
- Invited speaker at the conference *Quantum Engineering based on Atoms and Photons* in Hannover
- Presentations of results and achievements in internationally recognized groups in Canberra (Australia), Toronto (Canada), Berlin (Germany), Tokyo (Japan).

2006

2005

- Poster presentation at the conference *European-Australian Workshop on Quantum Atom-Optics* in Canberra (Australia)
- Poster presentation at the conference Quantum Optics in Les Houches (France)

Teaching:

2006-2008

• Scientific expert guide at the *Palais de la Découverte* (scientific museum) in Paris : *Public demonstrations on physics, and designing of new experiments*

2004-2005

- Examiner in preparatory classes for the Grandes Écoles
- Scientific guide in the *Cold Atoms Group* (ENS) for the students from preparatory classes to the Grandes Écoles

Additional information

Languages Hobbies

- Fluent in French and English, knowledge of German
- Avid rock climber (7.12d), making and flying model airplanes and helicopters, guitar, motorcycling

Publications

2012 • G. Reinaudi, C. B. Osborn, M. McDonald, S. Kotochigova & T. Zelevinsky Optical Production of Stable Ultracold Sr88 Molecules

Phys. Rev. Lett., 109, 115303 (2012)

• G. L. Gattobigio, A. Couvert, G. Reinaudi, B. Georgeot & D. Guéry-Odelin

Optically guided beam splitter for propagating matter waves

Phys. Rev. Lett., 109, 030403 (2012)

Selected for the American Physical Society "Spotlighting exceptional research"

2011 • G. Reinaudi, C. B. Osborn, K. Bega, & T. Zelevinsky

Dynamically configurable and optimizable Zeeman slower using permanent magnets and servomotors

J. Opt. Soc. Am. B, 160242 (2011)

2010 • G. Reinaudi, book publication of the Ph.D. Thesis

Manipulation d'atomes ultra-froids : vers un laser à atomes continu (Manipulation of ultra cold atoms : towards a continuous atom laser)

Editions Universitaires Europeennes, ISBN 978-613-1-50940-7 (2010)

2008 • A. Couvert, M. Jeppesen, T. Kawalec, G. Reinaudi, R. Mathevet, & D. Guéry-Odelin Quasi-monomode guided atom laser

Eur. Phys. News 39-Highlights, 6-14 (2008)

• A. Couvert, M. Jeppesen, T. Kawalec, G. Reinaudi, R. Mathevet, & D. Guéry-Odelin

A quasi-monomode guided atom-laser from an all-optical Bose-Einstein condensate

Europhys. Lett. 83, 50001 (2008)

Selected for the "Highlights" section in Eur. Phys. News 39

• G. Reinaudi & D. Guéry-Odelin

A Maxwell's demon in the generation of an intense and slow guided beam

Phys. Rev. A 78, 015401 (2008)

• A. Couvert, T. Kawalec, G. Reinaudi & D. Guéry-Odelin

Optimal transport of ultracold atoms in the non-adiabatic regime

Europhys. Lett. 83, 13001 (2008)

2007 • G. Reinaudi, T. Lahaye, Z. Wang & D. Guéry-Odelin

Strong saturation absorption imaging of dense clouds of ultracold atoms

Opt. Lett. 32, 3143 (2007)

• G. Reinaudi, A. Sinatra, A. Dantan & M. Pinard

Squeezing and entangling nuclear spins in ³He

J. Mod. Opt. **54**, 675-695 (2007)

• G. Reinaudi, Z. Wang, A. Couvert, T. Lahaye & D. Guéry-Odelin

A mirror to generate a beam

Eur. Phys. News 38-Highlights, 3-17 (2007)

2006 • G. Reinaudi & D. Guéry-Odelin

The atom lasers

DGA Edition, Bulletin bibliographique Prospective Oriented Group on Lasers and Optronics (POLOQ) n°2006-1, p. 165-172

• G. Reinaudi, Z. Wang, A. Couvert, T. Lahaye & D. Guéry-Odelin

A moving magnetic mirror to slow down a bunch of atoms

Eur. Phys. J. D 40, 405-410 (2006)

Selected for the "Highlights" section in Eur. Phys. News 38

• T. Lahaye, G. Reinaudi, Z. Wang, A. Couvert & D. Guéry-Odelin

Transport of Atom Packets in a Train of Ioffe-Pritchard Traps

Phys. Rev. A 74, 033622 (2006)

• G. Reinaudi, T. Lahaye, A. Couvert, Z. Wang & D. Guéry-Odelin

Evaporation of an atomic beam on a material surface

Phys. Rev. A 73, 035402 (2006)

• T. Lahaye, Z. Wang, G. Reinaudi, S.P. Rath, J. Dalibard & D. Guéry-Odelin

Evaporative cooling of a guided rubidium atomic beam

Phys. Rev. A 72, 033411 (2005)

• T. Aichele, V. Zwiller, M. Scholz, G. Reinaudi, J. Persson & O. Benson

Multiplexed quantum cryptography with single InP quantum dots

Proceedings of SPIE 5722, 30-44 (2005)

• A. Dantan, G. Reinaudi, A. Sinatra, F. Laloë, E. Giacobino & M. Pinard

Long lived quantum memory with nuclear atomic spins

Phys. Rev. Lett. 95, 123002(2005)

2004 • T. Aichele, G. Reinaudi & O. Benson

Separating cascaded photons from a single quantum dot: Demonstration of multiplexed quantum cryptography

Phys. Rev. B 70, 235329 (2004)

2005