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## Education and training

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**Ph.D. in Condensed Matter Physics (defended on September 19, 2012)**

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**M.S. in Applied Mathematics and Physics (June 13, 2008)**

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**B.S. in Applied Mathematics and Physics (June 20, 2006), *summa cum laude***

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## Research and professional expertise

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**Associate Computational Scientist, DAMA group, NSLS-II, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY** (<https://www.bnl.gov>)

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**Research Associate (Postdoc), NSLS-II, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, NY** (<https://www.bnl.gov>)

2013.10–2015.12

**Postdoctoral Associate (Postdoc), Department of Geosciences, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY** (<https://stonybrook.edu>, <https://uspex-team.org/en>)

2007.06–2013.10

**QA Engineer, QA Team Leader, Applied Technologies Ltd., Chelyabinsk, Russia** (<http://www.appliedtech.ru>), a partner of Rocket Software Inc., USA (<https://www.rocketsoftware.com>)

## Software projects

- **Bluesky** — a library for experiment control and collection of scientific data and metadata, <https://blueskyproject.io/bluesky>.
- **Ophyd** — a device abstraction library, <https://blueskyproject.io/ophyd>.
- **Databroker** — a simple, user-friendly interface for retrieving stored data and metadata from multiple sources, <https://blueskyproject.io/databroker>.
- **Synchrotron Radiation Workshop (SRW)** — computer code for X-ray source and optics simulations, <https://github.com/mrakitin/SRW>.
- **Sirepo** — a cloud-based framework for SRW, <https://github.com/radiasoft/sirepo>.
- **Databroker extractor** — image processing and data visualization, <https://github.com/mrakitin/databroker-extractor>.
- **CRL simulator** — a code for simulation of a transfocator (compound refractive lenses (CRL) for X-ray focusing), <https://github.com/mrakitin/bnclrl>.
- **USPEX** — a code for evolutionary crystal structure prediction, <https://uspex-team.org/en>.

- **USPEX online utilities** — a set of pre- and post-processing tools for crystal structure simulations, <http://han.ess.sunysb.edu>.
- **USPEX manual** — [http://han.ess.sunysb.edu/uspex\\_manual](http://han.ess.sunysb.edu/uspex_manual).
- Utilities for DFT simulations
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