

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Expertise:

Computational physics, condensed matter physics, quantum many-body physics and strongly correlated systems, tensor networks, quantum phase transitions, conformal field theory, quantum simulators, quantum magnetism, chiral melting, constrained systems (non-abelian anyons, quantum dimers and quantum loops, supersymmetric fermionic models), low-dimensional quantum systems, Rydberg atoms, topological phases, systems with multi-component Hilbert space, comb tensor networks, disorder, infinite randomness

### Education:

- 04/13 – 04/17    Docteur ès sciences, Institute of Physics, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne,  
Supervisor: prof. Frédéric Mila  
Thesis Title: ***Dimerization and exotic criticality in spin-S chains***  
*Private defense: 21/02/2017; Public defense: 23/03/2017*  
**Distinction** from Doctoral School of Physics, EPFL
- 08/11 – 02/13    Master in Physics, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne,  
Supervisor: prof. Frédéric Mila  
Thesis Title: ***Topological phase transitions in spin ladders***
- 09/07 – 07/11    BSc in Applied Physics with First Class Honors, V.N.Karazin Kharkiv National  
University, Department of Theoretical Nuclear Physics  
Supervisor: Sergey I. Shevchenko; Thesis Title: *Description of the electrons-holes  
superfluidity in terms of the order parameter*
- 09/00 – 06/07    High School Certificate with First Class Honors

### Employment and scientific appointments:

- 05/24-now    **Associate Editor** of the Physical Review Research of American Physical Society
- 01/23-now    **Visiting professor**, Université Paul Sabatier, Toulouse, France
- 01/21-now    **Assistant professor**, Kavli Institute of Nanoscience, Faculty of Applied Sciences,  
Delft University of Technology, Netherlands
- 01/19-12/20    **Postdoc** in the group of **prof. P. Corboz** at the University of Amsterdam, Netherlands.  
The work has been supported by the Swiss National Science Foundation (grant

number P400P2\_183847) and by prof. Corboz's funds.

05/17-12/18 **Postdoc** in the group of **prof. S.R. White** at the University of California, Irvine, USA. The work has been supported by the Swiss National Science Foundation (grant number P2ELP2\_172271) and by prof. White's funds.

04/13 – 04/17 **Doctoral assistant** at the Chair of condensed matter theory, Institute of Physics, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Supervisor: prof. Frédéric Mila

#### **Selected Awards:**

11/21 **Minerva prize** by Dutch Physics Council and Netherlands' Physical Society (<https://dutchphysicscouncil.nl/613-4>)

12/17 **Distinction from the Doctoral School of Physics**, EPFL for the thesis *Dimerization and exotic criticality in spin-S chains*

10/11 – 02/13 **Excellence scholarship** provided by École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

09/07 – 06/11 Government scholarships for university students with outstanding results

09/06 – 08/08 **2xPresident of Ukraine Scholarships**

09/03 – 06/11 Several diploma including 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes in Olympiads in Physics; 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Ukrainian Competition of Research projects

#### **Grants and funding (personal):**

01/24-12/25 USD 123k from **Julian Schwinger Foundation (USA)** for the project “Challenging the theory of Mott transitions”

01/24 1M CPU hours by SURFSARA national supercomputing cluster Snellius (EINF-8242)

02/23 GBP 9.5k from IQTN/EP SRC for the workshop “Tensor networks for constrained systems”;

08/22 1M CPU hours by SURFSARA national supercomputing cluster Snellius (EINF 3879);

02/22 100k CPU hours by SURFSARA national supercomputing cluster Lisa (EINF 2722);

02/22 Aspasia EUR 120k; Awarded by Dutch Research council **NWO**; not accepted by TUDelft.

02/21 500k CPU hours by SURFSARA national supercomputing cluster Cartesius (EINF 1137)

02/21 100k CPU hours by SURFSARA national supercomputing cluster Lisa (EINF 1137)

02/19-09/20 PostdocMobility by the **Swiss National Science Foundation**, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Project title: Further development of infinite Projected Entangled Pair States (iPEPS): network of clusters and hard constraints

04/17-09/18 EarlyPostdocMobility by the **Swiss National Science Foundation**, University of California, Irvine, USA. Project title: Efficient Density Matrix Renormalization Group (DMRG) algorithm for two-dimensional systems and its applications.

#### **Collective grants and networks:**

08/2023 – now **The Kavli innovation award:** a consortium of 13 PI at TUDelft; <https://www.tudelft.nl/en/2023/tnw/5-million-in-quest-for-missing-link-in-quantum-communication>

10/22-now “Materials for the quantum age”, a consortium of 43 PIs and 34 PhD and postdocs, supported by Dutch research council (NWO), <https://qumat.org/people/>

02/22-now Partner of the **International Quantum Tensor Networks**, (seeding funds from EPSRC) <https://iqtn.phys.strath.ac.uk/>

01/2021-now Member of the **European Tensor Network** (quantumtensor.pks.mpg.de)  
2013-2017 Member of **MaNEP** network and Swiss National Science Foundation

## **Publications:**

31. **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*Realization of Wess-Zumino-Witten transitions with levels  $k=6$  and  $k=4$  in a frustrated spin-3 chain;*  
Phys. Rev. B 109, 214403 (2024)
30. **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*Tunable quantum criticality in multi-component Rydberg arrays;*  
**Phys. Rev. Lett.** 132, 076505 (2024)
29. **Natalia Chepiga**, Nicolas Laflorencie,  
*Resilient infinite randomness criticality for a disordered chain of interacting Majorana fermions;*  
**Phys. Rev. Lett.** 132, 056502 (2024)
28. Bernhard Lüscher, Frederic Mila, **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*Critical properties of the quantum Ashkin-Teller chain with chiral perturbations;*  
Phys. Rev. B 108, 184425 (2023)
27. Zakaria Jouini, **Natalia Chepiga**, Loic Herviou, Frederic Mila,  
*Emergent  $U(1)$  symmetry in non-particle-conserving 1D models;*  
Phys. Rev. B 108, 205145 (2023)
26. **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*Critical properties of the Majorana chain with competing interactions;*  
Phys. Rev. B 108, 054509 (2023)
25. **Natalia Chepiga**, Nicolas Laflorencie,  
*Topological and quantum critical properties of the interacting Majorana chain;*  
SciPost Phys. 14, 152 (2023)
24. **Natalia Chepiga**, Frédéric Mila,  
*Eight-vertex criticality in the interactive Kitaev chain;*  
Phys. Rev. B 107, L081106 (2023)
23. **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*From Kosterlitz-Thouless to Pokrovsky-Talapov transitions in spinless fermions and spin chains with next-nearest-neighbor interactions;*  
**Phys. Rev. Research** 4, 043225 (2022)
22. Ivo A. Maceira, **Natalia Chepiga**, Frédéric Mila,  
*Conformal and chiral phase transitions in Rydberg chains;*  
**Phys. Rev. Research** 4, 043102 (2022)
21. **Natalia Chepiga**,  
*Critical properties of quantum three- and four-state Potts models with boundaries polarized along the transverse field*

SciPost Phys. Core 5, 031 (2022)

20. **Natalia Chepiga**, Ian Affleck, Frédéric Mila,  
*From  $SU(2)_5$  to  $SU(2)_3$  Wess-Zumino-Witten transitions in a frustrated spin-5/2 chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 105, 174402 (2022); **Editors' Suggestion**
19. **Natalia Chepiga**, Jiří Minář, Kareljan Schoutens,  
*Supersymmetry and multicriticality in a ladder of constrained fermions*  
SciPost Phys. 11, 059 (2021)
18. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Lifshitz point at commensurate melting of 1D Rydberg atoms*  
**Phys. Rev. Research**, 3, 023049 (2021)
17. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Kibble-Zurek exponent and chiral transition of the period-4 phase of Rydberg chains*  
**Nature Communications**, 12, 414 (2021)
16. Mario Motta, Claudio Genovese, Fengjie Ma, Zhi-Hao Cui, Randy Sawaya, Garnet Kin-Lic Chan, **Natalia Chepiga**, Phillip Helms, Carlos Jimenez-Hoyos, Andrew J. Millis, Ushnish Ray, Enrico Ronca, Hao Shi, Sandro Sorella, Edwin M. Stoudenmire, Steven R. White, Shiwei Zhang (Simons collaboration on the many-electron problem)  
*Ground-state properties of the Hydrogen chain: insulator-to-metal transition, dimerization, and magnetic phases*  
**Phys. Rev. X** 10, 031058 (2020)
15. **Natalia Chepiga**, Steven R. White,  
*Critical properties of a comb lattice*  
SciPost Phys. 9, 013 (2020)
14. **Natalia Chepiga**, Ian Affleck, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Floating, critical, and dimerized phases in a frustrated spin-3/2 chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 101, 174407 (2020)
13. Laurens Vanderstraeten, Elisabeth Wybo, **Natalia Chepiga**, Frank Verstraete, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Spinon confinement and deconfinement in a spin-1 chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 101, 115138 (2020);
12. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Dimerization and effective decoupling in two spin-1 generalizations of the spin-1/2 Majumdar-Ghosh chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 100, 104426 (2019);
11. **Natalia Chepiga** and Steven R. White,  
*Comb tensor networks*  
Phys. Rev. B 99, 235426 (2019)
10. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*DMRG investigation of constrained models: from quantum dimer and quantum loop ladders to hard-boson and Fibonacci anyon chains*  
SciPost Phys. 6, 033 (2019);

9. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Floating phase versus chiral transition in a 1D hard-boson model*  
**Phys. Rev. Lett.** 122, 017205 (2019)
8. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Rigorous decoupling between edge states in frustrated spin chains and ladders*  
Phys. Rev. B 97, 174434 (2018)
7. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Exact zero modes in frustrated Haldane chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 96, 060409 (2017), **Rapid Communication**
6. **Natalia Chepiga** and Frédéric Mila,  
*Excitation spectrum and Density Matrix Renormalization Group iterations*  
Phys. Rev. B 96, 054425 (2017)
5. L.Wang, **N.Chepiga**, D.-K.Ki, L.Li, F.Li, W.Zhu, Y.Kato, O.S.Ovchinnikova, F.Mila, I.Martin,  
D.Mandrus, A.F.Morpurgo,  
*Controlling the topological sectors of magnetic solitons in exfoliated  $\text{Cr}_{1/3}\text{NbS}_2$  crystals*  
**Phys. Rev. Lett.** 118, 257203 (2017), Editor's Suggestion
4. **Natalia Chepiga**, Ian Affleck, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Spontaneous dimerization, critical lines, and short-range correlations in a frustrated spin-1 chain*  
Phys. Rev. B 94, 205112 (2016)
3. **Natalia Chepiga**, Ian Affleck, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Comment on "Frustration and Multicriticality in the Antiferromagnetic Spin-1 Chain"*  
Phys. Rev. B 94, 136401 (2016)
2. **Natalia Chepiga**, Ian Affleck, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Dimerization transitions in spin-1 chains*  
Phys. Rev. B 93, 241108 (2016), **Rapid Communication**
1. **Natalia Chepiga**, Frédéric Michaud, and Frédéric Mila,  
*Berry phase investigation of spin-S ladders*  
Phys. Rev. B 88, 184418 (2013)

#### **Pre-prints:**

1. Jose Soto Garcia, **Natalia Chepiga**, *Resolving chiral transition in Rydberg arrays with quantum Kibble-Zurek mechanism and finite-time scaling*; arxiv:2403.03081
2. **Natalia Chepiga**, *Probing universal critical scaling with scan-DMRG*; arXiv:2406.16594
3. Bowe La Riviere, **Natalia Chepiga**, *Z4 transitions in quantum loop models on a zig-zag ladder*; arXiv:2406.20093

#### **Invited conference talks (25+2 planned):**

09/25 (upcoming) ICTP-SAIFR workshop, São Paulo, Brazil

05/25 (upcoming) Entanglement in Many-body Quantum Matter: Dynamics, Dissipation, Equilibration, ESI, Vienna, Austria

- 05/24 Theories, Experiments and Numerics on Gapless Quantum Many-body Systems, **KITP, Santa Barbara**, USA, *Tunable quantum criticality in multi-component Rydberg arrays*
- 05/24 “Bridging the Gap between Classical & Quantum Simulation”, **Lorentz Center**, The Netherlands; *Tunable quantum criticality: Challenging quantum computers with classical simulations.*
- 04/24 TUM-IAS workshop, Garching, Germany, *Resilient infinite randomness for interacting Majorana fermions*
- 01/24 **Plenary meeting of the International Quantum Tensor Network**, Glasgow, UK, *Tunable quantum criticality in multi-component Rydberg arrays*
- 11/23 “Chaos and information dynamics in quantum many-body systems”, **Ettore Majorana Center**, Erice, Sicily, *Resilient infinite randomness criticality for interacting Majorana fermions*
- 11/23 “Quantum information: theory and applications”, Paris, France, *Tunable quantum criticality in multi-component Rydberg arrays*
- 09/23 “Quantum many-body methods in cond-mat systems”, **RWTH Aachen**, Germany, *The power of Friedel oscillations. Critical properties of interacting Majorana chains*
- 09/23 **Korrelationstage 2023**, Dresden, Germany, *Resilient infinite randomness criticality for a disordered chain of interacting Majorana fermions*
- 08/23 **NG SCES 2023**, Lido di Fermo, Italy, *9 ½ phases of interacting Majorana chains*
- 08/23 Entanglement in strongly correlated systems, **Benasque**, Spain, *Critical properties of interacting Majorana fermions*
- 08/23 The Grete Hermann Network Workshop, Wuerzburg, Germany, *When Kosterlitz and Thouless meet Pokrovsky and Talapov*
- 07/23 JSF Workshop on the fermion sign problem, **Peyresq**, France, *An odd sequence of WZW criticalities in a frustrated spin-5/2 chain*
- 06/23 “Quantum Materials: Experimental Enigmas and Theoretical Challenges”, **Aspen**, USA, *When Kosterlitz and Thouless meet Pokrovsky and Talapov – a computational enigma*
- 06/23 “Exotic Phases, Gauge Field Theories and Dynamics in Systems with Constraints”, **Aspen**, USA, *Introduction to Constrained tensor networks*
- 11/22 “Entanglement Scaling and Criticality with Tensor Networks”, **Bernoulli Center**, Switzerland, *Critical properties of an interacting Majorana chain. The power of Friedel oscillations*
- 10/22 “Symmetry and Duality in Quantum Many-Body Systems,” Ghent, Belgium, *Dual boundary conditions in minimal models*
- 09/22 “Computational aspects of Tensor Networks”, **Erwin Schrodinger International Institute**, Austria, *Eight vertex criticality in interacting Kitaev chains*
- 01/22 **Physics@Veldhoven**, *Lifshitz point or Why the transition becomes chiral?*
- 10/21 **CECAM flagship** workshop: Computational materials discovery of unconventional magnets, Lausanne, Switzerland, *Floating phases in quantum spin chains*
- 02/21 Entanglement in Strongly Correlated Systems, Benasque, Spain, *Supersymmetric point in a ladder of constrained fermions*
- 12/20 European Tensor Network online series, *Chiral transitions in chains of Rydberg atoms*
- 11/19 Delta-ITP triangle meetings: Quantum and Topological Matter, University of Utrecht, The Netherlands, *Comb tensor networks*
- 03/19 **DPG Frühjahrstagung 2019**, Regensburg, Germany, *DMRG investigation of constrained models: from quantum dimer and quantum loop ladders to hard-boson and Fibonacci anyons*
- 02/19 Constrained Many-body Dynamics, **MPI PKS, Dresden**, Germany, *DMRG investigation of constrained models: from quantum dimer and quantum loop ladders to hard-boson and Fibonacci anyon Quantum many-body chains*
- 06/18 TOPMAT, Paris-Saclay, France, *DMRG investigation of quantum dimer ladders*

### Invited lectures at PhD schools (6+2 planned):

08/25 (upcoming) Course on Computational physics, **Weizmann institute**, Israel

09/24 (upcoming) **Les Houches** School “Frontiers of Condensed Matter”

- 06/24 8th **Les Houches** School in Computational Physics: Variational Approaches for quantum matter in and out of equilibrium
- 09/23 Topological Quantum Matter School, Leipzig, **Germany**, *Chiral transitions in Rydberg atoms*
- 09/23 European Tensor Network school, Abingdon, **UK**, *Introduction to MPS*
- 05/23 DRSTP condensed matter theory school, Callantsoog, **The Netherlands**; *Quantum phase transitions (5 lectures, 1.5h each)*
- 04/23 JuniorClub lecture at the University of Paul Sabatier Toulouse, **France**, *bCFT with DMRG*
- 07/19 Computational Approaches to Quantum Many-body Problems, ISSP, Kashiwa, **Japan**, *Practical introduction to MPS + Comb tensor networks + DMRG for constrained models (in total: 3 hours of lectures)*

### Invited seminars (25):

- 03/24 Kharkiv National University, Ukraine; *Tunable quantum criticality in Rydberg atoms*
- 03/24 **Flatiron Institute**, USA; *Tunable quantum criticality in Rydberg atoms: challenging quantum simulators with classical computers*
- 03/24 **CEA-Saclay**, France; *Tunable quantum criticality in Rydberg atoms*
- 01/24 **TUWien**, Austria; *Tunable chiral transitions in Rydberg atoms*
- 01/24 University of **Goettingen**, Germany; host: S.Manmana; *(Tunable) chiral transitions in Rydberg atoms*
- 09/23 Seminar at **CNRS LPT** Toulouse, France, *(Tunable) chiral transitions in Rydberg atoms*
- 05/23 University of **Geneva**, Switzerland, *Critical properties of the interacting Majorana chains*
- 04/23 **CNRS LPT** Toulouse, France, *Critical properties of the interacting Majorana chains*
- 01/23 Vision Seminar at TUDelft; *When Kosterlitz and Thouless meet Pokrovsky and Talapov*
- 11/22 **CNRS LPT** Toulouse; host: Nicolas Laflorencie; *When Kosterlitz and Thouless meet Pokrovsky and Talapov*
- 11/22 Seminar at **Nijmegen**, The Netherlands; host: A.Bagrov; *When Kosterlitz and Thouless meet Pokrovsky and Talapov*
- 06/22 Physical Sciences Seminar at **ISTA**, Austria; host: Maksym Serbyn; *Supersymmetry and multicriticality in a ladder of constrained fermions*
- 06/22 **TUWien**, Austria; host: Julian Leonard; *Chiral transitions in chains of Rydberg atoms*
- 12/21 Utrecht Condensed Matter Theory Seminar, Netherlands; *Chiral transitions in chains of Rydberg atoms*
- 10/21 **Brookhaven National Laboratory**, USA, *Probing conformal towers of states with Density Matrix Renormalization Group algorithms*
- 02/21 **Harvard** Condensed Matter Theory Seminar, Harvard, USA; *Chiral transitions in chains of Rydberg atoms*
- 12/20 University of **Amsterdam**, The Netherlands; host: P.R.Corboz, *Constrained tensor networks: a new approach to quantum criticality*
- 02/20 TU Delft, The Netherlands; *Tensor network investigation of constrained models: from quantum dimer and quantum loop ladders to chains of Rydberg bosons*
- 06/19 **University of Nottingham**, UK; host: Juan P. Garrahan, *Constrained DMRG as a byway to investigate critical properties of frustrated magnets*
- 02/19 University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands; host: P.R.Corboz, *Floating phase versus chiral transition in constrained models*

- 10/18 University of California, **Irvine**, USA; host: Steven R.White, *Floating phase versus chiral transition in constrained models: from hard-boson chain to quantum dimer and quantum loop ladders*
- 03/18 HISKP, Universität **Bonn**, Germany; host: Corinna Kollath, *DMRG investigation of quantum dimer ladders*
- 02/18 **Max-Planck-Harvard** Institute for Quantum Optics, Garching, Germany; host: Ignacio Cirac, *Frustrated spin chains: exotic criticality, exact zero modes and quantum dimer model.*
- 11/17 **Perimeter Institute**, Waterloo, Canada; host: Guifre Vidal, *Spontaneous dimerization, critical lines and exact zero modes in frustrated spin-1 chain.*
- 10/17 University of **British Columbia**, host: Ian Affleck, *Exact zero modes in frustrated spin chains*

#### **Contributed talks (19):**

- 07/22 International conference on strongly correlated electron systems (**SCES**) 2022, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, *From  $SU(2)_5$  to  $SU(2)_3$  Wess-Zumino-Witten transitions in a frustrated spin-5/2 chain*
- 06/22 Highly Frustrated Magnetism (**HFM**) 2022, Paris, France, *From  $SU(2)_5$  to  $SU(2)_3$  Wess-Zumino-Witten transitions in a frustrated spin-5/2 chain*
- 01/21 Waiting for Highly Frustrated Magnetism 2021, Dresden, Germany, *Floating, critical and dimerized phases in a frustrated spin-3/2 chain*
- 12/20 Exploring quantum many-body physics with ultra-cold atoms and molecules, Bad Honnef, Germany, *Kibble-Zurek exponent and chiral transition of the period-4 phase of Rydberg chains*
- 02/20 Entanglement in Strongly Correlated Systems, Benasque, Spain, *Ashkin-Teller transition of Rydberg atoms with two-site blockade*
- 01/20 Physics@Veldhoven 2020, Veldhoven, The Netherlands, *Simulating constrained models with tensor networks*
- 09/19 Korrelationstage 2019, Dresden, Germany, *Comb tensor networks*
- 10/18 Topological phases in condensed matter and cold atom systems, Cargese, Corsica, France *Constrained DMRG as a byway to investigate critical properties of frustrated magnets*
- 06/18 Trends in quantum magnetism, Bad Honnef, Germany, *DMRG investigation of quantum dimer ladders*
- 02/18 Entanglement in Strongly Correlated Systems, Benasque, Spain, *DMRG investigation of quantum dimer ladders*
- 11/17 Novel Quantum States in Condensed Matter 2017, Kyoto, Japan, *Spontaneous dimerization, critical lines, and exact zero modes in a frustrated spin-1 chain*
- 06/17 Many Electron Collaboration Summer School, Stony Brook, USA, *Excitation spectrum and Density Matrix Renormalization Group iterations*
- 02/17 Entanglement in strongly correlated systems, Benasque, Spain, *Dimerization and exotic criticality in spin-S chains*
- 09/16 Recent Progress in Low-Dimensional Quantum Magnetism, Lausanne, Switzerland, *Critical lines and short-range correlations in a frustrated spin-1 chain*
- 07/16 Swiss Physical Society Meeting, Lugano, Switzerland, *Dimerization transitions in spin-1 chains*
- 07/16 Swiss Workshop on Materials with Novel Electronic Properties 2016, Les Diablerets, Switzerland, *Dimerization transitions in spin-1 chains*
- 05/16 Japan-Swiss Workshop 'Trends in Theory of Correlated Materials', PSI, Villigen, Switzerland, *Dimerization transitions in spin-1 chains*
- 10/14 Japan-Swiss Workshop 'Trends in Theory of Correlated Materials', Tokyo, Japan, *Berry*



07/14 *phase investigation of spin-S ladders*  
Swiss Physical Society Annual Meeting, Fribourg, Switzerland, *Berry phase investigation of spin-S ladders*

#### **Poster presentations (8):**

09/21 Quantum Field Theory at the Boundary, Mainz, Germany, *Boundary critical phenomena in the 4-state Potts model*  
04/21 Korrelationstage 2021, Dresden, Germany, *Chiral transitions in chains of Rydberg atoms*  
10/18 Topological phases in condensed matter and cold atom systems, Cargese, Corsica, France, *A comb tensor network*  
09/17 Korrelationstage 2017, Dresden, Germany, *Dimerization and exotic criticality in spin-S chains*  
09/16 8th International Conference on Highly Frustrated Magnetism, Taipei, Taiwan, *Dimerization transitions in spin-1 chains*  
01/15 Theory Winter School on New Trends in Frustrated Magnetism, Tallahassee, Florida, USA, *Frustration and spontaneous dimerization in spin-1 chain*  
10/13 School on Advanced Algorithms for Correlated Quantum Matter, Würzburg, Germany, *Berry phase investigation of spin-S ladders*  
07/13 Swiss Workshop on Materials with Novel Electronic Properties, Les Diablerets, Switzerland, *Berry phase investigation of frustrated quantum magnets*

#### **Event organization:**

07/24-01/25 Chair of the focus session “Tensor Networks: bridging quantum and classical computing” at **NWOPhysics-2025** (aka [Physics@Veldhoven](mailto:Physics@Veldhoven))

07/23-07/24 Topic chair of the International conference of Magnetism ICM2024

10/23 The organizer of the IQTN/EPSCRC funded workshop “Tensor networks for constrained systems” (<https://iqtn.phys.strath.ac.uk>)

05/22-now The founder and the main organizer of **Delft Many-Body Workshop Series** (7 past workshops + 5 planned, to date 50 speakers); <https://ncchepiga.github.io/homepage/workshop> acquired funding from EPSRC (UK) and NWO (NL)

02/22-now Member of the program committee of International Quantum Tensor Network meetings (<https://iqtn.phys.strath.ac.uk>)

#### **Refereeing for journals:**

Nature, Nature Reviews, Nature Communications, Communications Physics;  
Physical Review Letters, Physical Review Research, Physical Review B;  
SciPost Physics; New Journal of Physics

#### **Referee and panel member for funding agencies:**

- Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- US Department of Energy (DOE)
- Dutch Research Council (NWO)
- National Foundation of Science and Technology of Vietnam (NAFOSTED)

#### **Teaching & supervision:**

12/23	Guest lecture in <b>Advanced Statistical Mechanics</b> (MSc) at TUDelft
05/23	Lecturer for the course on ' <b>Quantum Phase Transitions</b> ' at DRSTP postgraduate school, Callantsoog, Netherlands
02/22 – now	Lecturer in ' <b>Mechanics and Relativity</b> ' (1 <sup>st</sup> year BSc) at TUDelft
02/22 – now	Lecturer in ' <b>Fairy Tails of Theoretical Physics</b> ' (MSc) at TUDelft (advanced theory lectures on: supersymmetry; frustrated magnetism; duality)
09/14 – 01/17	Teaching Assistant in ' <b>Physique Statistique I</b> ' at EPFL
02/16 – 06/16	Teaching Assistant in ' <b>Mathematical Methods for Physicists</b> ' at EPFL
02/15 – 06/15	Teaching Assistant in ' <b>Physique Statistique II</b> ' at EPFL
09/13 – 12/13	Teaching Assistant in ' <b>Statistiques et probabilités</b> ' at EPFL
11/07 – 06/11	High School Teacher in Advanced Physics and Mathematics at Private Boiko School, Ukraine
08/08 – 08/09	Summer School Teacher for Granted Youth (supported by Kharkov City Council)

Courses on teaching skills (UTQ):

04/21	DEVELOP, TU Delft, ~40 hours on the development of own course from scratch
05/21	SUPERVISE, TU Delft, ~40 hours on how to manage the group and supervise students

### **Supervision**

#### **PhD students:**

- Julien Fitouchi, PhD thesis on unusual Mott transitions, funded by Julian Schwinger foundation, TU Delft, Netherlands
- Pietro Richelli, PhD thesis exploring edge effects with tree tensor networks, TU Delft, Netherlands
- Bowry La Rivière, PhD thesis on numerical investigation of non-magnetic quantum phase transitions with constrained tensor networks, TU Delft, Netherlands
- Jose Soto Garcia, PhD thesis on dynamical properties of exotic quantum phase transitions, TU Delft, Netherlands

#### **Undergraduate students:**

- Niels Pronk, “Non-magnetic transitions” TU Delft, Netherlands
- Wesley Brouwer “The effect of next-to-leading-order interactions in Majorana chains”; supervised together with Dr. Jonas Thies (Math department); TU Delft, Netherlands

#### **Former students:**

- Rik Mulder, undergraduate, “Exact zero modes in chains of interacting Majorana fermions” TU Delft
- Bernhard Luescher, intern, “Critical properties of the chiral Ashkin-Teller model”, TU Delft
- Ivo Maceira’s PhD project on chiral transitions in Rydberg atoms, EPFL, Switzerland (co-supervised);
- Randy Sawaya’s PhD project on Hubbard model with long-range interactions, University of California Irvine (co-supervised);
- Robin Kaech’s MSc thesis on critical Ising chains, EPFL (co-supervised);
- Guillaume Meyrat’s MSc project on quantum dimer model, EPFL (co-supervised);
- Samuel Gozel’s MSc thesis on dynamics in spin-3/2 chain, EPFL (co-supervised)

#### **Member of committees:**

09/23	Member of the poster prize committee at CT.QMAT 2023 school, Leipzig, Germany
08/23	Member of the poster prize committee at NG SCES 2023, Lido di Fermo, Italy
01/23	Member of the Minerva prize 2022 committee, The Netherlands
06/22	Member of the poster prize committee at Highly Frustrated Magnetism 2022, Paris, France

01/20 Member of the poster prize committee at Physics@Veldhoven 2020, Veldhoven, Netherlands  
04/24 Appointment committee for a Delft Technology Fellowship at QuTech, TUDelft  
07/21 Appointment committee for an assistant professor position at Kavli Institute, TUDelft  
10/23-now Member of the work-group “Education and outreach”, TUDelft

#### PhD committees:

06/24 Alvaro Donis Vela, University of Leiden, Netherlands (supervisor – C.Beenakker)  
03/21 Member of Schelto Crone’s, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands (supervisor – P.Corboz)

#### Undergraduate:

07/24 Matthijs Ates, TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisors – J.Thijssen)  
06/24 Esther Teng, TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisors – S.Otte)  
06/24 Sander de Bruyn, TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisors – N.Budko, J.Thijssen)  
12/23 Member of Pelle Poelmann’s defense committee at TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisor – A.Artaud)  
11/22 Expert at Luka van der Heiden’s defence, TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisor – E.Pulvirenti)  
07/22 Expert at Huang Tianyue’s MSc defence, EPFL, Switzerland (supervisor – A.Lauchli)  
07/22 Expert at Baptiste Demazure’s MSc defence, EPFL, Switzerland (supervisor – F.Mila)  
07/21 Expert at Bernhard Luescher’s MSc defence, EPFL, Switzerland (supervisor – F.Mila)  
06/21 Member of Isabel Postmes’ MSc defense committee at TU Delft, Netherlands (supervisor – S.Conesa-Boj)

#### Outreach, volunteer and mentoring activities:

02/24 **Press release** on “*Tunable quantum criticality in multi-component Rydberg arrays*”  
12/23 **SURF** advanced computing day, public talk “Challenging quantum simulators with classical computers”  
11/23 Article by Kenna Hughes-Castleberry for “**Women of Quantum Technology**”,  
<https://www.insidequantumtechnology.com/news-archive/women-of-quantum-technology-dr-natalia-chepiga-of-delft-university-of-technology/>  
10/23 DelftBlue **HPC summit**, public talk “*9 ½ phases of interacting Majorana chains*”  
[www.tudelft.nl/en/events/2023/dcse/user-summit-2023](http://www.tudelft.nl/en/events/2023/dcse/user-summit-2023)  
05/2023 **Interview** in honor of DelfBlue HPC anniversary  
[www.tudelft.nl/en/stories/articles/supercomputing-power-for-racing-cars-and-quantum-states](http://www.tudelft.nl/en/stories/articles/supercomputing-power-for-racing-cars-and-quantum-states)  
01/2022 **Interview** for Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Natuurkunde

Since 2023: The member of Grete Hermann network of females in condensed matter physics  
Since 2022: **The mentor** in EPFL’s Alumni mentoring program

2016-2020 4 public lectures at the Boiko School, Kharkiv, Ukraine:  
08/10 Environmental volunteer program in Vichy, France  
07/10 Camp leader in the international volunteer project, Lyubotin, Kharkiv district, Ukraine  
08/09 Volunteer in Summer Camp in Spangenberg, Germany  
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