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Superconductivity | Quantum Physics | Materials Science | Mechanical Engineering

## INVENTION PATENTS

### *United States Invention Patent*

Continuously Variable Transmission

US 10030745 B2

- This self-adaptable, positive motion CVT is able to transmit power by way of engagement.
- Able to transmit a torque density **8 times** larger than the traditional design.

### *Taiwan Invention Patent*

Continuously Variable Transmission

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## PUBLICATIONS

### *The Effect of Critical Coupling Constants on Superconductivity Enhancement*

*Nature Scientific Report 13, 6475 (2023)* (Impact Factor: 4.997)

- The theory of critical coupling constants **unifies** the effects of the phonon frequency  $\Omega$ , the carrier number  $Z$ , and the pressure  $P$  on superconductivity.
- Demonstrate **general zigzag methods** for  $T_c$  enhancement.

### *Low Speed Wind Tunnel Study of Variable Tandem Wing Aircraft Design*

*A.A.S.R.C Conference (2014)*

- The variable tandem wing design can **increase 33%** lifting force.

## LABORATORY AUTOMATION

### *Resistivity-Temperature $\rho$ - $T$ Measurement Automation*

- Temperature 70K~400K, resistivity  $1\mu\Omega \cdot \text{cm} \sim 1\text{G}\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$
- Program LabVIEW codes to control and collect information from the instruments, including Keithley, HP, Stanford Research Systems, and Cryo-Con.

### *Chemical Powder Mixture Preparation Automation*

- Prepare 96 different mixtures within 14 hours and 40 types of powder for selections.

## EXPERIENCE

National Tsing Hua University (NTHU)

2024.03–Now

**Postdoc** in Materials Science and Engineering

## EDUCATION

National Tsing Hua University (NTHU)

2016.09–2024.01

**Ph.D.** in Materials Science and Engineering

National Tsing Hua University (NTHU)

2012.09–2016.06

**B.S.** in Power Mechanical Engineering

**Minor** in Physics

## TEACHING ASSISTANT

*NTHU Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award (2019)*

TA Courses:

- General Relativity I & II
- Classical Mechanics
- Theoretical Mechanics II
- Statistical and Thermal Physics I & II
- Fluid Dynamics
- General Physics I & II

## COURSES WITH GOOD PERFORMANCE

Studied across various subjects, including **materials science**, **mechanical engineering**, **physics**, and **mathematics**. Capable of **integrating and applying knowledge from multiple fields**.

**Materials Science:**

- Phase Equilibria of Materials (A+)
- Thermodynamics of Solid State (A)
- Ceramic Materials (A)
- Transmission Electron Microscopy (A)

**Power Mechanical Engineering**

- Thermal and Fluid Science I (A+)
- Introduction to Nuclear Engineering (A+)
- Electric Circuits (A+)
- Kinematics of Machinery (A)
- Vehicle Power System (A)
- Programming Language (A+)
- Engineering Mathematics II (A+)
- Heat and Mass Transfer (A)
- Manufacturing Processes (A)
- Energy Engineering (A)

**Physics:**

- String Theory (A+)
- Elementary Particle Physics I (A+)
- Theoretical Mechanics II (A+)
- Statistical Mechanics II (A)
- Fluid Dynamics (A+)
- Nonlinear Dynamics and Chaos (A+)
- Quantum Field Theory (A)

**Mathematics:**

- Advanced Calculus I (A+)

## SKILLS

- LabVIEW
- AutoCAD
- 3D Printing
- Arduino
- MATLAB
- Python
- VBA
- C

## CERTIFICATE

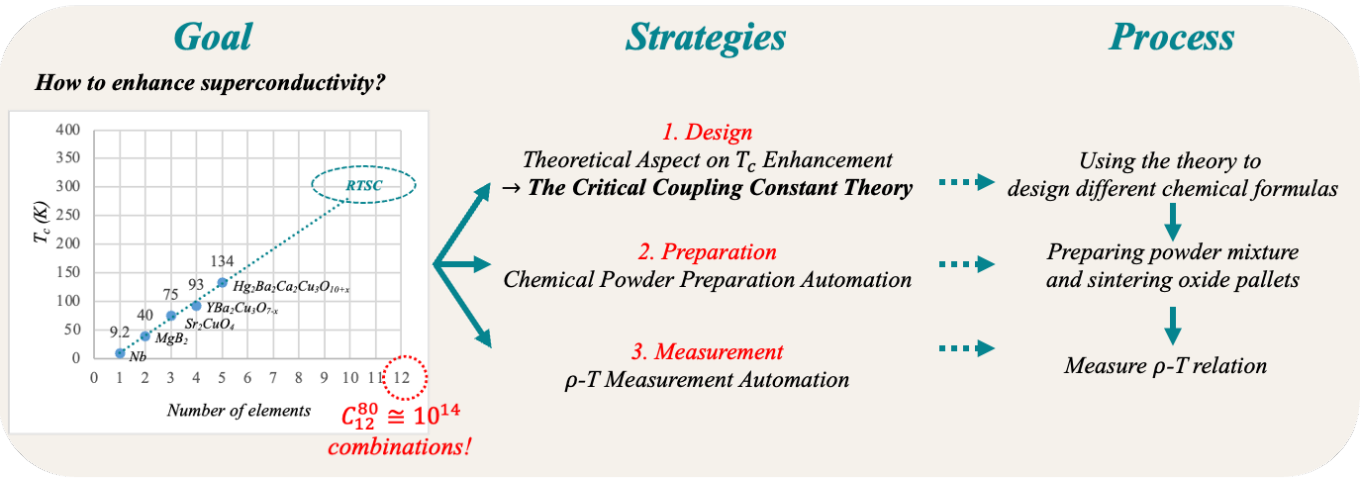
- TOEIC 880 (Gold)



## Ph.D.

My doctoral research focused on **how to enhance superconductivity at ambient pressure through materials design**. Observing the critical temperature of superconductors, one finds that it increases with the diversity of compound compositions. Extrapolating from this trend, it is anticipated that oxides containing 12 or more elements could achieve room-temperature superconductivity. If we select 12 elements from a commonly used set of 80 elements, there would be at least  $C_{12}^{80} \cong 10^{14}$  possible combinations! I increased research efficiency from 3 aspects:

1. **Propose the theory of critical coupling constants**, using this theory to design chemical formulas.
2. **Automate the preparation of oxide powder compositions** to enhance efficiency.
3. **Automate the resistivity temperature  $\rho$ - $T$  measurements**, which can simultaneously measure multiple samples.



## ▶ **Theory of Critical Coupling Constants** published in *Nature Scientific Reports* (Impact Factor 4.997)

DOI:10.1038/s41598-023-33809-5

My Ph.D. thesis is “*The effect of critical coupling constants on superconductivity enhancement*”. In the thesis, it clearly elaborated that the **superconducting dome appears when the coupling strength approached to the critical coupling constants**. Varying the phonon spectrum  $\Omega$ , tuning the carrier number  $Z$ , and increasing the pressure  $P$  were three important approaches to enhance superconductivity  $T_c$ . I extended the **BCS-McMillan theory**:

$$\hat{H}|\Psi\rangle = \left[ \sum_{k\sigma} \xi_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{kk'} \frac{g_{eff}}{M\Omega^2} c_{k\uparrow}^\dagger c_{-k\downarrow}^\dagger c_{-k'\downarrow} c_{k'\uparrow} \right] |\Psi\rangle$$

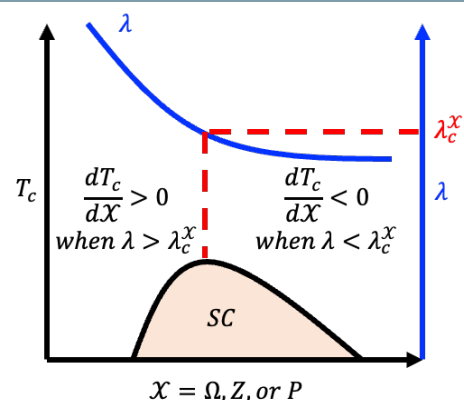
**to unify effects** of the phonon frequency  $\Omega$ , the carrier number  $Z$ , and the pressure  $P$  on superconductivity. I derived the explicit form of coupling constant  $\lambda$  and  $T_c$  the key result  $\frac{dT_c}{dx}$ :

$$\lambda = \frac{C^3 \sqrt{Z n_{ion}}}{M\Omega^2} \quad \text{and} \quad T_c \sim \Omega \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{M\Omega^2}{C^3 \sqrt{Z n_{ion}}} \right]$$

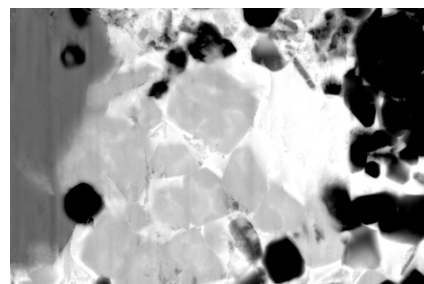
. These equations defined the **three critical coupling constants**  $\lambda_c$ :  $\lambda_c^\Omega = 2$ ,  $\lambda_c^Z = 5/3$ , and  $\lambda_c^P = 4/3$ .

These critical coupling constants *are consistent with experimental observations* and *quantitatively classify superconductivity into three categories: weak* ( $\lambda < \lambda_c^P$ ) , *intermediate* ( $\lambda_c^P < \lambda < \lambda_c^Q$ ) , and *strong coupling* ( $\lambda > \lambda_c^Q$ ) . Each category corresponds to different enhancement strategies. More precisely, the enhancement strategies for *weak and strong coupling regions are opposite*, but *both inevitably bring superconductivity into the intermediate coupling region*. For superconductors in the intermediate coupling region, for example, the superconductivity can be enhanced by increasing  $P$  or decreasing  $Z$  simultaneously. This *general zigzag strategies* can further enhance the superconductivity.

According to the theory, I focused on the chemical design including high phonon frequency, multiple carriers, and small lattice constants. I synthesized a series of high-entropy oxides based on  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{Ca}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_x$  and  $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_x$  superconductors. The micro structure of the HE compounds was analyzed by **ZEISS Gemini SEM** and **Bruker D2 PHASER XRD**.



▲ The relation between the *critical coupling constant  $\lambda_c$*  and the *superconducting dome*.



▲ The **SEM** image of HEO.

## ► *The Chemical Powder Preparation Automation*

More details: [pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#EA-2](https://pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#EA-2)

The chemical powder mixture preparation automation can prepare **96 different mixtures within 14 hours**, which is **6 times faster** than manual preparation. The machine offers **40 types** of powder for selections. I designed components using **AutoCAD** and printed them with **Ender-3S 3D printer**. I also soldered electronic components onto circuit boards to control the step motors. 12 step motors controlled the XY motions of the powder boxes and the empty bottles. The weight of powder mixture is measured by **Shimadzu ATY-124** balance. The control program integrated **LabVIEW**, **Arduino**, and **VBA**. This machine can weigh the powder according to the user's experimental design and record any discrepancies.

## ► *The Resistivity Temperature $\rho$ -T Measurements Automation*

More details: [pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#EA-1](https://pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#EA-1)

The resistivity-temperature  $\rho - T$  measurement automation can measure **15 oxide or alloy pallets simultaneously** with the temperature range from **70K to 400K**. The range of resistivity covers  **$1\mu\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$  to  $1\text{G}\Omega \cdot \text{cm}$** . **LabVIEW** codes control and collect information from the instruments through **GPIB**. Instruments include **Keithley 237 and 617 meters**, **HP34420A meter**, **Stanford Research Systems SR830 Lock-in**, and **Cryo-Con 32B temperature controller**. The modular design of the measurement circuit allows for easy expansion and routine maintenance.





▲ Ph.D. in the *Department of Materials Science and Engineering* at NTHU.

► *Teaching Assistant in Physics and Recognized Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award*

**TA Award:** [mse.site.nthu.edu.tw/p/405-1298-182360,c16769.php?Lang=en](http://mse.site.nthu.edu.tw/p/405-1298-182360,c16769.php?Lang=en)

I am the teaching assistant in *statistical and thermal physics I & II, general relativity I & II, theoretical mechanics II, fluid dynamics*, classical mechanics, general physics I & II, etc. I was recognized with the *NTHU Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award* in 2019 due to dedicated teaching efforts.

The superconductivity is a *macroscopic quantum state*, typically explained through the concept of *symmetry breaking*. I studied *quantum field theory, statistical mechanics, and condensed matter physics* to further investigate superconductivity. Additionally, to understand symmetry breaking, I studied *elementary particle physics, gauge theory*, and even *principal bundle theory* from the Mathematics Department. The *Ginzburg-Landau (GL) theory* is one of the theories that explain superconductivity. I learned to use *MATLAB* to simulate the phase separation in GL theory during the course on *nonlinear dynamics and chaos*.

During my 12 years at NTHU, I studied across various disciplines, including *mechanical engineering, physics, materials science*, and *mathematics*. I *maintained curiosity* and *strong learning capabilities, integrating knowledge from multiple fields* to advance the formulation of superconducting theories, the automation of measurement, and the automation of powder mixing.

## Bachelor's Degree



▲ B.S. in *Department of Power Mechanical Engineering* at NTHU. Minor degree in *Department of Physics*.

### ► *Wind Tunnel Study of Variable Tandem Wing Aircraft*

More details: [pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#Tandem](http://pure-perspective.github.io/career/CV.html#Tandem)

I studied on *the aerodynamic of variable tandem wing aircraft*. The variable tandem wing design can change the center of lift to match the center of gravity. This design can **increase 33% lift and optimize the aerodynamic efficiency**. The model aircraft was set up in the wind tunnel, and measure the lift force and the drag force to investigate the aerodynamic performance. We summarized these result and published in *Aeronautical and Astronautical Society of the Republic of China (A.A.S.R.C) 2014 conference*.

### ► *Minor Degree in Physics*

Beside the major subject in power mechanical engineering, I also have minor degree in physics. I have taken the courses including *theoretical mechanics I & II, electromagnetism I & II, and quantum physics I*. I am interesting in the variational principle of least action and the Noether's theorem, which imply the relation between the symmetry and the conservation law. These elegant results showed the beauty of physics, leading me to further study more physics courses and become TA in physics during my doctoral studies.