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## EDUCATION

 **University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)**

Bachelor of Physics(Applied Physics Major)

2019-2023

**GPA:** 3.70/4.3(Major) 3.66/4.3(Overall)

**Average Score:** 87.75/100(Overall)

**Ranking:** 42/195(in Applied Physics Major) 30/91(in Condensed Matter Physics)

**Core courses:** College Physics Experiment: 96/100 Computational Physics: 92/100 Mechanics: 97/100

Electrodynamics: 99/100 Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics: 98/100 Atomic Physics: 93/100

## AWARDS

**National Inspirational Scholarship**(Top 5% among all students in USTC) 2022

**First Prize, The 12th China Undergraduate Physics Tournament**(National, Top 5%) 2021

**First Place, The 12th China Undergraduate Physics Tournament**(East China Division, Top 1%) 2021

**National Inspirational Scholarship**(Top 5% among all students in USTC) 2021

**Yang Ya Foundation Scholarship**(Top 5% among all students in USTC) 2020

**Chen Guoliang Scholarship**(Top 5% among all undergraduates in USTC) 2020

**Excellent Student Scholarship-Bronze**(Top 20% among all undergraduates in Department of Physics) 2019

## SKILLS & STANDARDIZED ENGLISH TEST

Programming	C, C++, Python, Linux, Shell, Mathematica, Matlab
Computational Expertise	VASP, Deepmd-kit, DPGEN
Experiment	XRD, STM, Magnetron Sputtering
TOEFL	100(Listening: 29 Reading:29 Writing:20 Speaking: 22)


## RESEARCH INTEREST

- *Atomic-scale Modeling of Functional Quantum Materials and Nanoscale Devices*
- *Observation and Characterization of Exotic Properties of Quantum Materials*
- *Design and Manufacture of High Performance Energy Materials*
- *First-principles Computation of Electronic Structure and Properties*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

 **Potential offset of diamond with electric intercalation layer** Report  
Instructor: **Prof. Boris Yakobson**, Rice University Apr.2022-Oct.2022

- Proposed a fast convergence Fourier analysis method to calculate the potential distribution of a 2D lattice.
- Numerically calculated the spatial potential distribution of different crystal planes by different summation methods in real space and reciprocal space respectively.
- Derived the theoretical formula for offset of different crystal orientations, which is consistent with DFT results.

 **Color calculation of two-dimensional materials with different layers** Report  
Instructor: **Prof. Boris Yakobson**, Rice University Jun.2022-Aug.2022

- Calculated the color of 2D materials based on electronic structure and transfer matrix method.
- Explained the real physical mechanism behind the interesting "oscillation" of the optical color of 2D materials with the number of layers by establishing a multi-beam interference model.

## ⊛ 7 × 7 Reconstruction of Si surface under machine learning potential

Instructor: *Prof. Zhenyu Zhang*, USTC

*Jul.2022-Present*

- Generate deep learning potentials of Si by training a neural network with deepmd-kit.
- Simulate the 7×7 reconstruction of Si surfaces with far more atoms using ML Potentials.
- Explain the mechanism and conditions of reconstruction from thermodynamic and kinetic perspectives.

## ⊛ Thermochromic smart windows regulating radiative cooling and solar transmission simultaneously

Instructor: *Prof. Chongwen Zou*, USTC

*Dec.2022-Present*

- Designed intelligent windows combining the thermochromic discoloration of hydrogel and VO<sub>2</sub>.
- Intelligently and dynamically adjust the solar transmittance and infrared emissivity according to the external temperature to adjust the indoor temperature for energy conservation.
- Test the phase transition speed, cycle stability and optical modulation amplitude of the smart windows.

## ⊛ Monte Carlo simulation of the morphology evolution of vapor-deposited films during non-equilibrium growth

*Report*

Instructor: *Prof. Zhenyu Zhang*, USTC

*Nov.2021-Jan.2022*

- Developed a deposition-diffusion-aggregation(DDA) model to describe the process.
- Adapted a rational atomic dynamics process and an efficient direct algorithm.
- Predicted the topography evolution when changing the CVD parameters.

## ⊛ Preparation and optimization of electrochromic glass films with high discoloration rate and recyclability

*Report*

Instructor: *Prof. Chongwen Zou*, USTC

*Sept.2021-Dec.2021*

- Prepared and characterized WO<sub>3</sub> and NiO complementary electrochromic films.
- Compared the discoloration and cycle performance of the electrochromic glasses.
- Optimized parameters by changing the mid—frequency magnetron sputtering conditions.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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Teaching assistant in “thermodynamics and statistical physics”

*Sept.2022-Jan.2023*

Leadership of the campus alumni volunteer team

*Sept.2019-Sept.2022*

Communities volunteer for epidemic prevention and control

*Jan.2021-Mar.2021*