# Levon CHAKHMAKHCHYAN

# • PERSONAL INFORMATION

| Date and place of birth: | 12 December 1988, Yerevan, Armenia |
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| Nationality:             | Armenian                           |
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# • CURRENT POSITION

| August 2015 to present: <b>Postdoctoral fellow</b><br>Centre for Quantum In<br>Bruxelles, Belgium<br>Employed on H2020 I<br><i>on a photonic chip</i> )<br><b>Teaching assistant</b><br>for "Quantum informatheory" courses at the<br>Bruxelles | nformation and Communication, Université libre de<br>FET-ProActive project QUCHIP ( <i>Quantum simulations</i><br>ation and computation" and "Information and coding<br>Ecole polytechnique de Bruxelles, Université libre de |
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## • **PREVIOUS POSITIONS**

# August 2014 – July 2015: **Researcher**

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|                             | Alikhanyan National Science Laboratory, Armenia                            |
|                             | Institute for Physical Research, Armenia                                   |
| July 2011 – July 2014:      | PhD fellow   |
|                             | CNRS contract, through a competitive international fellowship co-funded by |
|                             | the Conseil Régional de Bourgogne, CNRS (France) & the State Committee of  |
|                             | Science (Armenia)  |
| May 2012 – August 2012:     | Early Stage Researcher   |
|                             | Ultrafast Quantum Optics and Metrology Group, University of Oxford, UK     |
|                             | Supervised by J. Nunn and A. Datta   |
|                             | Competitive funding by Marie Curie ITN project FASTQUAST (Ultrafast        |
|                             | control of quantum systems by strong laser fields)                         |
| January 2010 - June 2011:   | : Senior Laboratory Assistant  |
|                             | Alikhanyan National Science Laboratory, Yerevan, Armenia                   |

#### • EDUCATION

| July 2011 – July 2014:                                | <b>Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)</b><br>under joint supervision between Université de Bourgogne (France) and the<br>Institute for Physical Research (Armenia) – degree obtained with high honours<br>(mention très honorable)<br>Thesis title: <i>Entangled States and coherent interaction in resonant media</i> |
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|   | PhD defence at the Institute for Physical Research in January 2014<br>PhD defence at the Université de Bourgogne in July 2014  |
| August 2009 – May 2011: Master of Theoretical Physics |  |
|   | Faculty of Physics, Department of Theoretical Physics, Yerevan State University, Armenia   |
|   | Sole recipient of G. Sahakyan's scholarship for excellent academic achievements  |

#### September 2005 – May 2009: Bachelor of Physics

Faculty of Physics, Yerevan State University – graduated with honour Recipient of "The Knights of Vartan" scholarship for excellent academic achievements

## • INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES & GRANTS

| 2014 to present: | Involved in Marie Curie FP7 IRSES project <b>DIONICOS</b> ( <i>Dynamics of and in complex systems</i> )   |
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| 2012 - 2014:     | Involved in the Marie Curie FP7 ERA-WIDE project <b>IPERA</b> ( <i>Integrating the Institute for Physical Research of the Republic of Armenia into the European Research Area</i> )                                       |
| 2012 - 2013:     | French-Armenian project CNRS/SCS CLASSQUANT (Classical and quantum chaos)   |
| 2011 – 2016:     | Member of the International Associated Laboratory <b>IRMAS</b> ( <i>Interaction of light with matter: from atoms to solids</i> ) between CNRS (France) & State Committee of Science (Armenia)                             |
| 2010 - 2011:     | Early Career Support Program grant of the Armenian National Foundation of Science & Advanced Technologies, <i>Entanglement as a measure of quantum correlations in many-</i><br><i>body fermionic and bosonic systems</i> |
| 2010:            | Scientific research support grant of the Armenian National Science & Education Fund,<br>Entanglement as a measure of quantum correlations in many-body fermionic systems  |

## ACADEMIC VISITS

| August 2016 &           |   |  |
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| June 2017:              | invited visitor at Quantum Engineering Technology Labs at the University of<br>Bristol, UK, with Anthony Laing  |  |
| February 2015:          | invited visitor at the Centre for Quantum Information and Communication at the<br>Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium, with Nicolas Cerf                                       |  |
| November 2014,          |   |  |
| February 2015 &         |   |  |
| January 2018:           | invited visitor at the Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Carnot de Bourgogne at the<br>Université de Bourgogne, France, with Stéphane Guérin (within FP7 ERA-<br>WIDE project IPERA) |  |
| March & June 2014:      | invited visitor at the Department of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Florence, Italy, with Stefano Ruffo   |  |
| February – April 2014:  | seconded researcher within Marie Curie FP7 IRSES project DIONICOS at the Applied Mathematics Research Centre at Coventry University, UK   |  |
| July 2012 & April 2013: | invited visitor at Laboratoire de Physique Théorique at Université P. Sabatier,<br>France, with Dima Shepelyansky (within the CNRS/SCS project<br>CLASSQUANT)                     |  |

## • INVITED SEMINARS

- 1. *Developing quantum-inspired classical algorithms,* Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Carnot de Bourgogne, Université de Bourgogne Franch Comté, Dijon, France, January 2018
- 2. Boson sampling with Gaussian measurements, Quantum Engineering Technology Labs (QET Labs), University of Bristol, UK, June 2017
- 3. Quantum-optics inspired algorithm for estimating the permanent of Hermitian positive semidefinite matrices, Quantum Engineering Technology Labs (QET Labs), University of Bristol, UK, August 2016
- 4. *Efficient classical simulation of continuous-variable boson sampling*, invited tutorial at PCQC Tutorials in Quantum Information, Paris Centre for Quantum Computing (PCQC), Télécom ParisTech, France, December 2015

- 5. *Google tools for the analysis of social phenomena*, Frontiers of Modern Physics Seminar Series, Alikhanyan National Science Laboratory, Yerevan, Armenia, April 2015
- 6. Generation and distillation of continuous-variable entanglement in Raman-type quantum memories, Aarhus Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS), Aarhus University, Denmark, March 2015
- 7. *The Google matrix and models for opinion formation on social networks*, Centre for Quantum Information and Communication (QuIC), Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium, February 2015
- 8. Distillation of continuous-variable entanglement using realistic quantum memories, Centre for Quantum Information and Communication (QuIC), Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium, February 2015
- 9. Protocols for generating entanglement by means of light in systems of mutually coupled qubits, Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Carnot de Bourgogne, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France, November 2014
- 10. Entanglement distillation in realistic quantum memories and voter models on scale-free networks, Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Carnot de Bourgogne, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France, May 2014
- 11. PageRank opinion formation Models on Ulam Networks, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Florence, Sesto Fiorentino, March 2014
- 12. Compact continuous-variable entanglement distillation in quantum memories and opinion formation models on complex networks, Clarendon Laboratory, Oxford University, UK, February 2014
- 13. Entanglement and magnetic properties of spin-1/2 Ising-Heisenberg spin-lattice models, Applied Mathematics Research Centre, Coventry University, UK, February 2014
- 14. *Thermal entanglement of the triangulated Kagome spin lattice*, Department of General Physics, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, November 2013
- 15. *Entangled states and exactly solvable spin-lattice models*, Department of Theoretical Physics, Alikhanyan National Science Laboratory, Yerevan, Armenia, September 2013
- 16. Entanglement distillation in systems of interacting atoms and fields, Institute for Physical Research, Ashtarak, Armenia, October 2012
- 17. Quantifying entanglement in systems of qubits, Laboratoire Interdisciplinaire Carnot de Bourgogne, Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France, November 2011
- 18. *Q-state Potts model and the three-periodic window*, Theoretical Physics Department, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, November 2010

## • PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

- 1. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. J. Cerf, *Boson sampling with Gaussian measurements*, Phys. Rev. A 96, 032326 (2017).
- 2. N. J. Russel, L. Chakhmakhchyan, J. O'Brien, A. Laing, *Direct dialling of Haar random unitary matrices*, New J. Phys. 19, 033007 (2017).
- 3. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. J. Cerf, R. Garcia-Patron, *A quantum-inspired algorithm for estimating the permanent of positive semidefinite matrices*, Phys. Rev. A 96, 022329 (2017).
- 4. L. Chakhmakhchyan, T. N. Teles, S. Ruffo, *Ensemble inequivalence and absence of quasi*stationary states in long-range random networks, J. Stat. Mech. 063204 (2017).
- 5. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, *Chaotic spin-spin entanglement on a recursive lattice*, Phys. Rev. E 92, 022101 (2015).
- 6. L. Chakhmakhchyan, C. Leroy, N. Ananikian, S. Guérin, *Generation of Entanglement in Systems of Intercoupled Qubits*, Phys. Rev. A 90, 042324 (2014).
- 7. N. Ananikian, R. Artuso, L. Chakhmakhchyan, Superstable Cycles for Antiferromagnetic Q-State Potts and Three-Site Interaction Ising Models on Recursive Lattices, Commun. Nonlinear Sci. Numer. Simulat. 19, 3671 (2014).
- 8. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, J. Nunn, A. Datta, *A Compact Entanglement Distillery Using Realistic Quantum Memories*, Phys. Rev. A 88, 042312 (2013).

- 9. L. Chakhmakhchyan, D. Shepelyansky, *Pagerank Model of Opinion Formation on Ulam Networks*, Phys. Lett. A 377, 3119 (2013).
- 10. L. A. Chakhmakhchyan, *Entanglement of Effectively Coupled Three Atoms*, Journal of Contemporary Physics (NAS of Armenia) 48, 193 (2013).
- N. S. Ananikyan, L. N. Ananikian, L. A. Chakhmakhchyan, O. Rojas, *Thermal Entanglement of Spin-1/2 Ising-Heisenberg Model on a Symmetrical Diamond Chain*, J. Phys. Condens. Matter 24, 256001 (2012).
- 12. G. Grigoryan, C. Leroy, L. Chakhmakhchyan, Y. Pashayan-Leroy, S. Guérin, H.R. Jauslin, Stimulated Raman Adiabatic Passage via Bright State in Λ Medium of Unequal Oscillator Strengths, Eur. Phys. J. D 66, 256 (2012).
- 13. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. Ananikian, L. Ananikyan, C. Burdik, *Thermal Entanglement of the* Spin-1/2 Diamond Chain, J. Phys: Conf. Series 343, 012022 (2012).
- 14. L. Chakhmakhchyan, G. Grigoryan, C. Leroy, Y. Pashayan-Leroy, S. Guérin, H.R. Jauslin, *Influence of Unequal Oscillator Strengths on Stimulated Raman Adiabatic Passage via Bright State*, Int. J. Mod. Phys.: Conf. Series 15, 147 (2012).
- 15. N. S. Ananikian, L. N. Ananikyan, L. A. Chakhmakhchyan, *Three-periodic Cyclic Window in Antiferromagnetic Potts and Ising Models on Recursive Lattices*, JETP Lett. 94, 39 (2011).
- 16. N. S. Ananikian, L. N. Ananikyan, L. A. Chakhmakhchyan, A. N. Kocharyan, Magnetic Properties and Thermal Entanglement on a Triangulated Kagome Lattice, J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 44, 025001 (2011).
- N. Ananikian, L. Ananikyan, L. Chakhmakhchyan, A. Kocharyan, *Thermal Entanglement and Critical Behavior of Magnetic Properties on Triangulated Kagome Lattice*, Acta Polytechnica 51, 7 (2011).
- L. N. Ananikyan, N. S. Ananikian, L. A. Chakhmakhchyan, Arnold Tongues and Feigenbaum Exponents of the Rational Mapping for Q-State Potts Model on Recursive Lattice: Q < 2, Fractals 18, 371 (2010).

## • TALKS AND POSTERS

- 1. L. Chakhmakhchyan, A quantum-inspired algorithm for estimating the permanent of positive semidefinite matrices, invited talk at the BQPi Belgian Quantum Physics Initiative meeting, Brussels, Belgium, 2017.
- 2. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "Boson sampling with Gaussian measurements", International Conference on Integrated Quantum Photonics, Rome, Italy, 2017.
- 3. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. Cerf, R. Garcia-Patron, "Approximating the permanent of Hermitian positive semidefinite matrices", TQC Theory of Quantum Computation, Communication and Cryptography, Berlin, Germany, 2016.
- 4. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. Cerf, R. Garcia-Patron, "A Classical linear-optical algorithm inspired by the boson sampling model", 3rd Seefeld workshop on Quantum Information, Seefeld, Austria, 2016.
- 5. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "A Classical algorithm inspired by the boson sampling model", Heilbronn and QALGO quantum algorithms meeting 2016, Cambridge, UK, 2016, book of abstracts, p.2.
- 6. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, N. Ananikian, "Preparation of Greenberger-Horne-Zeilinger and W States in Systems of Intercoupled Qubits", The 1st International Conference for Young Quantum Information Scientists – YQIS, Paris, France, 2015, book of abstracts, p.26.
- 7. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, N. Ananikian, "Preparation of two- and three-qubit entangled states in systems of mutually coupled qubits", International Conference and Workshop "Quanta and Matter: through Physics to Future Emerging Technologies", Yerevan Tsaghkadzor, Armenia, 2014, book of abstracts, p.17.
- 8. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "PageRank opinion formation models on Ulam networks", Summer School on Network Analysis and Applications, Luchon, France, 2014, available at <a href="http://www.quantware.ups-tlse.fr/ecoleluchon2014/program.html">http://www.quantware.ups-tlse.fr/ecoleluchon2014/program.html</a>.

- 9. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, J. Nunn, A. Datta, "Compact continuous-variable entanglement distillation using realistic quantum memories", 21st Central European Workshop on Quantum Optics CEWQO 2014, Brussels, Belgium, 2014, book of abstracts, p.165.
- L. Chakhmakhchyan, D. Shepelyansky, "PageRank voter models on complex Ulam networks", 39th Conference of the Middle European Cooperation in Statistical Physics – MECO39, Coventry, UK, 2014, book of abstracts, p.56.
- 11. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, "Solvable model for ultrastrong QED regime", IOTA Workshop on Cold Molecular Ions, Arosa, Switzerland, 2013, book of abstracts, p.19.
- L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. Ananikian, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, "Superstable cycles of antiferromagnetic Potts and Ising models on recursive lattices", 38th Conference of the Middle European Cooperation in Statistical Physics – MECO38, ICTP, Trieste, Italy 2013, list of poster presentations, p.1.
- 13. L. Chakhmakhchyan, A. Datta, J. Nunn, "A realistic quantum entanglement distillery", Laser Physics 2013, Ashtarak, Armenia, book of abstracts, p.2.
- 14. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "Entanglement properties of a spin-1/2 Ising-Heisenberg diamond chain", Control of Quantum Dynamics of Atoms, Molecules and Ensembles by Light CAMEL9, Nessebar, Bulgaria, 2013, book of abstracts, p.2.
- 15. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "Magnetic properties and entanglement of a spin-1/2 damond chain", XIV<sup>éme</sup> Journées de l'Ecole Doctorale Carnot-Pasteur, Dijon, France, 2013, book of abstracts, p.5.
- 16. L. Chakhmakhchyan, S. Guérin, C. Leroy, N. Ananikian, "Entanglement and termodynamic properties of three coupled atoms", Laser Physics 2012, Ashtarak, Armenia, book of abstracts, p.12.
- 17. L. Chakhmakhchyan, G. Grigoryan, C. Leroy, Y. Pashayan-Leroy, S. Guérin, H. R. Jauslin, "Influence of unequal oscillator strengths on stimulated Raman Adiabatic Passage through bright state", Laser Physics 2011, Ashtarak, Armenia, book of abstracts, p.63.
- 18. L. Chakhmakhchyan, "Thermal entanglement of the spin-1/2 diamond chain", The VII<sup>th</sup> International Conference Quantum Theory and Symmetries, Prague, Czech Republic 2011, book of abstracts, p.9.
- 19. N. S. Ananikyan, L. N. Ananikian, L. Chakhmakhchyan, A. N. Kocharyan, "Thermal entanglement and critical behavior of magnetic properties on a triangulated Kagome lattice", The XIX<sup>th</sup> International Colloquium on Integrable Systems and Quantum symmetries, Prague, Czechia, 2010, book of abstracts, p.3
- 20. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. S. Ananikian, L. N. Ananikyan, A. N. Kocharyan, "Common features of magnetic properties and thermal entanglement on a triangulated Kagome lattice", Workshop on Principles and Design of Strongly Correlated Electronic Systems, Miramare-Trieste, Italy, 2010, book of abstracts, p.71.
- 21. L. Chakhmakhchyan, N. S. Ananikian, L. N. Ananikyan, "Chaotic behavior of the Q-state Potts model on a recursive lattice: Q < 2", Pseudochaos and Stable-Chaos in Statistical Mechanics and Quantum Physics, Miramare Trieste, Italy 2009, book of abstracts, p.29.

#### • LANGUAGE SKILLS

| Armenian: | native     |
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| English:  | fluent     |
| French:   | proficient |
| Russian:  | fluent     |

## • HOBBY

Reading books Likes music, cinema, theater Likes/plays tennis and badminton