

# Alexey Sergeev

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Personal Information

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### Education

2010–2012 **Non-degree studies in mathematics**, *Texas A&M University*, College Station, TX.

Graduate courses in topology, algebra, geometry, real variables, and algebraic topology. Grade Average 3.81.

1986 **Ph.D.**, *Petersburg State University*, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Thesis titled “Development of Analytical Methods of Perturbation Theory for Calculation of Atoms and Ions”. Advisor A. I. Sherstyuk.

1974–1980 **B.Sc. and M.Sc.**, *Petersburg State University*, St. Petersburg, Russia.

Diploma confirming the qualification of Physicist. Grade Average 3.70. Specialized in theoretical physics and quantum mechanics.

### Interests

**Perturbation methods** An approach to quantum mechanical problems based on asymptotic expansions. Problems in atomic and molecular theory such as atoms in strong fields,  $1/D$  and  $1/Z$ -expansions, Møller-Plesset perturbation theory, and more recently gradient expansions in density functional theory. Transitions between bound and quasistationary states as the model parameters such as nuclear charge change.

**Ab initio calculations in quantum chemistry** Writing a computer code and performing configuration-interaction calculations for a number of atoms and molecules with a continuously variable nuclear charge. Using electronic structure package Gaussian for Møller-Plesset and coupled-cluster calculations.

**CFD calculations** Numerical solutions of partial differential equations. Non-linear optics, simulating wind turbines and multi-phase flows using methods of computational fluid dynamics (CFD).

### Experience

2017–2019 **Researcher**, *Texas A&M University*, College Station, TX.

Numerical methods and simulations for applied problems. Non-linear Schrödinger equations. Advisor G. Chen. Two publications.

2014–2016 **Researcher**, *Qatar Environment and Energy Research Institute (QEERI)*, Doha, Qatar.

Density functional theory, developing a functional for kinetic energy without use of orbitals. CFD approach for cross-flow filtration. Advisor S. Kais. 4 publications.

- 2012–2014 **Researcher**, *Texas A&M University*, College Station, TX.  
Numerical solutions of Navier - Stokes equations. 3D simulations of wind turbines using OpenFoam package. Advisor G. Chen. Two publications.
- 2013 - 2014 **Researcher**, *Texas A&M University at Qatar*, Doha, Qatar.  
Numerical methods and CFD simulations of a realistic wind turbine. Counter-rotating wind turbines. Advisor G. Chen.
- 2010–2011 **Researcher**, *Texas A&M University at Qatar*, Doha, Qatar.  
Mathematical models in atomic and molecular physics. Numerical solutions of non-linear Schrödinger equation, full 3D simulations of solitons using open source software. Several conference presentations. Advisors G. Chen and M. Belić.
- 2007–2009 **Visiting Scholar**, *Texas A&M University*, College Station, TX.  
Molecular structure using novel semiclassical approaches. Group of M. Scully. Review article.
- 2005–2006 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Tulane University*, New Orleans, LA.  
Development of accurate and efficient semiclassical surface hopping methods. These methods are designed for large scale Monte Carlo calculations in quantum chemistry. The study was focused on a modification of the method that gives uniform accuracy. The method was verified and compared with existing methods numerically on a number of two-dimensional problems. Advisor M. Herman. 2 publications.
- Oct.–Dec. **Visiting Researcher**, *Cornell University*, Ithaca, NY.  
2005  $1/D$ -expansion and planetary states of helium, semiclassical theory. Group of G. Ezra.
- 2003–2004 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth*, MA.  
Møller-Plesset perturbation theory, its convergence. The study was focused on a mathematical hypothesis that explains convergence behavior of the theory. This conjecture was examined by performing large scale ab initio configuration-interaction calculations for a number of atoms and molecules with a variable nuclear charge and comparing the obtained critical charges with the convergence behavior of Møller-Plesset perturbation theory. Based on these results, we developed and tested novel methods of summation of the MP series. Advisor D. Goodson. 4 publications.
- 2000–2002 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Ben-Gurion University of the Negev*, Beer-Sheva, Israel.  
Radiationless transitions in molecules using the method of Wigner functions. Advisor B. Segev. 5 publications.
- 1998–1999 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Purdue University*, West Lafayette, IN.  
Transition from bound states to continuum spectrum, stability of atoms with varying nuclear charge, doubly negative ions. Advisor S. Kais. 3 publications
- Sept.–Dec. **Research Associate**, *University of Oklahoma*, Norman, OK.  
1996  $1/D$ -expansion for helium atom. Group of D. Watson
- 1996–1997 **Research Associate**, *Southern Methodist University*, Dallas, TX.  
 $1/D$ -expansion in atomic and molecular physics, methods of summation. Advisor D. Goodson. 5 publications
- 1980–2002 **Researcher**, *S. I. Vavilov State Optical Institute*, St. Petersburg, Russia.  
Screened Coulomb potentials, atoms in strong fields,  $1/n$ -expansion in quantum mechanics, theory of Padé approximants. Collaboration with group of V. S. Popov from ITEP, Moscow. More than 35 publications, prize of St. Petersburg Physical Society (1993).

## Publications

1. Sergeev A. V. and Sherstyuk A. I. (1982): Higher orders and structure of perturbation-theory series for screened Coulomb potential. *Sov. Phys. - JETP* 55, 625.
2. Sergeev A. V. and Sherstyuk A. I. (1984): High-order perturbation theory for the bound states of the Dirac-equation with a Yukawa-type potential. *Sov. J. of Nucl. Phys.* 39, 731.
3. Sergeev A. V. (1986): A recursive algorithm for Padé - Hermite approximations. *U. S. S. R. Comput. Maths. Math. Phys.* 26, 17.
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5. Vainberg V. M., Mur V. D., Popov V. S. and Sergeev A. V. (1987): Stark effect for the Rydberg states of the hydrogen atom. *Sov. Phys. - JETP Lett.* 46, 225.
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8. Mur V. D., Popov V. S., Sergeev A. V. and Shcheblykin, A. V. (1989): Stark resonances and scaling in Rydberg atoms. *Sov. Phys. - JETP* 69, 49.
9. Sergeev A. V. (1989):  $1/N$ -expansion for the three-body problem. *Sov. J. of Nucl. Phys.* 50, 589.
10. Krepostnov P. I., Sergeev A. V. and Utkin A. B. (1989): Optical properties of a dense xenon plasma in flashlamps. *Opt. Spectrosc.* 64, 315.
11. Mur V. D., Popov V. S., Sergeev A. V. (1990): The  $1/N$ -expansion in quantum mechanics. *Sov. Phys. - JETP* 70, 16.
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13. Popov V. S., Mur V. D. and Sergeev A. V. (1990):  $1/n$ -expansion and scaling for the Stark effect in Rydberg atoms. *Phys. Lett. A* 149, 425.
14. Vainberg V. M., Popov V. S. and Sergeev A. V. (1990): The  $1/n$ -expansion for a hydrogen atom in external field. *Sov. Phys. - JETP* 71, 470.
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17. Popov V. S., Mur V. D. and Sergeev A. V. (1991): Quantization rules for quasistationary states. *Phys. Lett. A* 157, 185.

18. Popov V. S., Mur V. D. and Sergeev A. V. (1991): Generalization of the Gamov formula to the multidimensional case. *Sov. Phys. - JETP Lett.* 53, 455.
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