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Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Mathematical Physics, Analysis

Education

Ph.D. in Physics, 2000
Technion - Israel Institute of Technology
Field: Mathematical physics
Thesis: *Adiabatic theorems and their applications*
Adviser: Prof. J. E. Avron

M.S. in Physics, 1998
Technion - Israel Institute of Technology
Field: Mathematical physics
Thesis: *Adiabatic theorems without a gap condition*
Adviser: Prof. J. E. Avron

B.A. in Physics, 1994
Technion - Israel Institute of Technology

Research appointments

2019 – Present Professor, Department of Mathematics
Virginia Tech

2013 – 2019 Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics
Virginia Tech

9/2014 – 3/2015 Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics
University of California Irvine

2007 – 2013 Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics
Virginia Tech

2006 – 2007 Senior Lecturer, Department of Mathematics
Ben Gurion University at Negev

2003 – 2005 Instructor, Department of Mathematics,
Stanford University

2002 – 2003 Assistant Professor \ Courant Instructor, CIMS
New York University

06/07 2003 Visiting Professor, Department of Mathematics,
Université de Lille

2000 – 2002 Instructor, Department of Physics
Princeton University

Awards and Prizes

2019 *US National Science Foundation Grant # 1907435, PI (w/ M. Fraas), \$ 323,642*

2018 *US National Science Foundation Early Career and Student Support Grant # 1841860, PI (w/ M. Fraas), \$ 18,000*

2017 *The Simons Foundation Grant # 443529, \$ 42,000*

2012 *US National Science Foundation Grant # 1210982, Co-PI (w/ G. Hagedorn), \$ 344,188*

2009 *US National Science Foundation Grant # 0907165, Co-PI (w/ G. Hagedorn), \$ 337,000*

2007 *Israel Science Foundation Grant, sole PI, \$170,000*

2007 *US-Israel Binational Science Foundation Grant, # 2006021, Co-PI (w/ D. Cohen and T. Kottos), \$ 96,650*

2007 *Zvi and Zahava Friedenbergs award for the advancement of science and education, awarded by Israel Science Foundation.*

2003 Invited Speaker at International Congress in Mathematical Physics, International Association of Mathematical Physics.

Services

Referee for:

Annales Henri Poincaré
Communications in Mathematical Physics
Journal of Functional Analysis
Journal of Spectral Theory
Journal of Mathematical Physics
Journal of Physics A
Journal of Statistical Physics
Letters in Mathematical Physics
Mathematical Physics, Analysis and Geometry
Operators and Matrices
Quantum Information Processing
Probability Theory and Related Fields
Proceedings of the Royal Society A
Transactions of the American Mathematical Society
Waves in Random Media

Teaching Experience

Spring 2018 Linear Algebra II

Spring 2017 Invitation to Analysis

Fall 2014 Introduction to Linear Algebra, UC Irvine

Spring 2014	Matrix Analysis, Virginia Tech
Spring 2014	Multivariable Calculus, Virginia Tech
Spring 2013	Mathematical Foundations of Quantum Mechanics, Virginia Tech
2011, 2016	Linear Algebra I, Virginia Tech
2011 – 2012	Calculus of Several Variables, Virginia Tech
Fall 2010	Intermediate Differential Equations, Virginia Tech
2009 – 2018	Functional analysis, Virginia Tech
2007 – 2010	Introduction to Differential Equations, Virginia Tech
2009, 2016, 2018	Real analysis, part II, Virginia Tech
2008, 2015, 2017	Real analysis, part I, Virginia Tech
Fall 2006	Ordinary differential equations, Ben Gurion University
Fall 2006	Functional Analysis, Ben Gurion University
Spring 2006	Linear Algebra, Ben Gurion University
Fall 2005	Partial differential equations, Stanford University
2004 – 2005	Elementary Functional Analysis, Stanford University
Fall 2003	Complex Variables, Stanford University
2003 – 2004	Calculus I and II, New York University
Fall 2002	Algebra and Calculus with Applications, New York University
2000 – 2001	General Physics courses, Princeton University

Invited seminars and colloquia

- 2019 April Mittag-Leffler Institute, Sweden
- 2016 March - *UAB Math Colloquium*, Birmingham
September - *VT Applied analysis seminar*, Blacksburg
- 2015 May - *Technion PDE and Applied Mathematics Seminar*, Israel
September - *VT Math Colloquium*, Blacksburg
October - *VT Applied analysis seminar*, Blacksburg
- 2014 October - *UCI Mathematical Physics Seminar*, Irvine
October - *UCI Mathematical Physics Seminar*, Irvine
- 2010 May - *Tufts Seminar*, Boston
- 2008 October *UAB Math Colloquium*, Birmingham
- 2007 January - *VT Math Colloquium*, Blacksburg
October - *UVA Mathematical Physics Seminar*, Charlottesville
June - *HUJI PDE Seminar*, Jerusalem
June - *BGU Operator and System Theory Seminar*, Beer Sheva
- 2006 May - *BGU PDE and Applied Math Seminar*, Beer Sheva
- 2004 December - *Technion PDE and Applied Math Seminar*, Haifa
December - *GAGA Seminar*, Tel Aviv
December - *HUJI PDE Seminar*, Jerusalem
November - *UCI Mathematical Physics Seminar*, Irvine
January - *Joint Applied Math and Probability Seminar*, Stanford
- 2003 December - *Technion Mathematical Physics Seminar*, Haifa
December - *U. of Chicago Computational and Applied Mathematics Seminar*, Chicago
- 2002 November - *UAB Math Colloquium*, Birmingham
- 1998 October - *TU Munich Mathematical Physics seminar*, Munich
September - *TU Berlin Mathematical Physics seminar*, Berlin

Invited lectures at workshops and conferences

- 2019 August - *From Many Body Problems to Random Matrices*, Banff, Canada
- 2018 February 36th Western States meeting of Mathematical Physics, Irvine, CA
November Spectral Theory of Quasi-Periodic and Random Operators, Montreal, Canada
December Random Physical Systems, Patagonia, Chile
- 2017 March Fisher-Hartwig asymptotics, Szego expansions, and applications to statistical physics, San Jose, CA
May Mathematical Aspects of Disordered Systems, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2016 October *QMath13: Mathematical Results in Quantum Physics*, Atlanta, GA
June *Great Lakes Mathematical Physics Meeting*, East Lansing, MI

- 2015 February *33rd Annual Western States Mathematical Physics Meeting*, Pasadena, CA
 June *Random and other ergodic problems*, Cambridge, UK
- 2014 March *AMS Sectional Meeting*, Knoxville
 December *The Mathematics of Quantum Disordered Systems*, St. Petersburg, Russia
- 2013 March *Nonlinear Evolution Equations and Wave Phenomena*, Athens, GA
 July *Quantum Spectra and Transport*, Jerusalem
- 2012 October *AMS Sectional Meeting*, Tucson
- 2011 March *35th SIAM Southeastern Atlantic Section Conference*, Charlotte
- 2010 March - *AMS sectional meeting*, Lexington
 October - *SEARCDE-30*, Blacksburg
- 2009 December - *Modeling and Understanding Random Hamiltonians*, Oberwolfach
 April - *Random Schrödinger Operators*, Banff
- 2008 March - *Disordered Systems*, Oberwolfach
- 2007 February - *Partial Differential Equations and Spectral Theory*, Jerusalem
- 2006 February - *Mathematical Aspects of Quantum Adiabatic Approximation*, Waterloo
- 2005 January - *Quantum spectra and dynamics*, Rehovot
 Open Quantum Systems, Vienna
- 2004 September - *QMath9 International Conference*, Giens
 July - *Spectral Theory of Schrödinger Operators*, Montreal
- 2003 August - *XIV International Congress on Mathematical Physics*, Lisbon
- 2001 November - *AMS Sectional Meeting*, Irvine
 August - *Workshop on Mathematical Physics*, Mambucaba
- 1999 June - *Open Classical and Quantum Dynamical Systems*, Lille
 June - *Miniconference on Quantum Chaos, Dissipation and Adiabaticity*, Haifa
 May - *Spectral and Scattering Theory Workshop*, Jerusalem
- 1998 June - *Workshop in Mathematical Physics*, Haifa

Graduate advising

Zhenwei Cao, Ph.D. student, 2009 - 2013

Daniel Schmidt, Ph.D. student, 2011 - 2015

List of Publications and Preprints

Publications in peer-reviewed journals

1. J. E. Avron and A. Elgart, "An Adiabatic Theorem without a Gap Condition: Two level system coupled to quantized radiation field" *Phys. Rev. A.*, **58**, 4300-4306, (1998).
2. J. E. Avron and A. Elgart, "Smooth adiabatic evolutions with leaky power tails" *J. Phys. A: Math. Gen.*, **32**, L537 (1999).
3. J. E. Avron and A. Elgart, "Adiabatic Theorem without a Gap Condition" *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **203**, 445, (1999).
4. J.E. Avron, A. Elgart, G.M. Graf, and L. Sadun, "Geometry, Statistics and Asymptotics of Quantum Pumps" *Phys. Rev. B*, **62**, R10618(R) (2000).
5. J.E. Avron, A. Elgart, G.M. Graf and L. Sadun, "Optimal Quantum Pumps" *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, **87**, 236601 (2001).
6. A. Elgart and J.H. Schenker "A strong operator topology adiabatic theorem" *Rev. Math. Phys.*, **14**, 569 (2002).
7. J.E. Avron, A. Elgart, G.M. Graf and L. Sadun, "Time-Energy coherent states and adiabatic scattering" *J. Math. Phys.*, **43**, 3415 (2002).
8. A. Elgart and B. Schlein, "Adiabatic Charge Transport and the Kubo Formula for Landau Type Hamiltonians" *Comm. Pure and Appl. Math.*, **57**, 590 (2004).
9. J.E. Avron, A. Elgart, G.M. Graf, L. Sadun and K. Schnee, "Adiabatic charge pumping in open quantum systems" *Comm. Pure and Appl. Math.*, **57**, 528 (2004).
10. J.E. Avron, A. Elgart, G.M. Graf and L. Sadun, "Transport and Dissipation in Quantum Pumps" *J. Stat. Phys.*, **116**, 425 (2004).
11. A. Elgart, L. Erdos, B. Schlein and H-T. Yau, "Nonlinear Hartree equation as the mean field limit of weakly coupled fermions" *J. Math. Pure Appl.*, **83**, 1241 (2004).
12. A. Elgart, G.M. Graf and J. H. Schenker, "Equality of the bulk and edge Hall conductances in a mobility gap" *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **259**, 185, (2005).
13. A. Elgart, L. Erdos, B. Schlein and H-T. Yau, "Gross-Pitaevskii Equation as the Mean Field Limit of Weakly Coupled Bosons" *Arch. Rat. Mech. Anal.*, **179**, 265, (2006).
14. M. Aizenman, A. Elgart, S. Naboko, J. H. Schenker and G. Stolz, "Moment Analysis for Localization in Random Schrödinger Operators" *Invent. Math.*, **163**, 343, (2006).
15. A. Elgart and B. Schlein, "Mean Field Dynamics of Boson Stars" *Comm. Pure and Appl. Math.* **60**, 500, (2007).
16. A. Elgart, "Lifshitz tails and localization in the three-dimensional Anderson model" *Duke Math. J.*, **146**, 331, (2009).
17. J. Aisenberg, I. Sela, T. Kottos, D. Cohen, and A. Elgart "Quantum decay into a non-flat continuum", *J. Phys. A: Math. Theor.* **43**, 095301, (2010).
18. J. Aisenberg, I. Sela, T. Kottos, D. Cohen, and A. Elgart "Anomalous decay of a prepared state due to non-Ohmic coupling to the continuum" *Phys. Rev. E* **81**, 036219 (2010).
19. A. Elgart, M. Tautenhahn, and I. Veselić "Localization via fractional moments for models on with single-site potentials of finite support", *J. Phys. A: Math. Theor.* **43**, 474021 (2010).
20. A. Elgart and G. Hagedorn, "An Adiabatic Theorem for Resonances", *Comm. Pure and Appl. Math.* **64**, 1029 (2011).
21. A. Elgart, M. Tautenhahn, and I. Veselić, "Anderson localization for a class of models with a sign-indefinite single-site potential via fractional moment method", *Ann. Henri Poincaré* **12**, 1571 (2011).
22. Z. Cao and A. Elgart, "On the efficiency of Hamiltonian-based quantum computation for low-rank matrices", *J. Math. Phys.* **53**, 032201 (2012).

23. A. Elgart and G. Hagedorn, "A note on the switching adiabatic theorem", *J. Math. Phys.* **53**, 102202 (2012).
24. Z. Cao and A. Elgart, "The weak localization for the alloy-type Anderson model on a cubic lattice", *J. Stat. Phys.* **148**, 1006 (2012).
25. A. Elgart and A. Klein, "Ground state energy of trimmed discrete Schrödinger operators and localization for trimmed Anderson models", *J. Spectr. Theory* **4**, 391 (2014).
26. A. Elgart, M. Shamis and S. Sodin, "Localisation for non-monotone Schrödinger operators", *JEMS* **16**, 909 (2014).
27. A. Elgart and D. Schmidt, "Eigenvalue counting inequalities, with applications to Schrödinger operators". *J. Spectr. Theory* **5**, 251–278 (2015).
28. A. Elgart and A. Klein, "An eigensystem approach to Anderson localization." *J. Funct. Anal.* **271**, 3465 (2016).
29. A. Elgart and S. Sodin, "The trimmed Anderson model at strong disorder: localization and its breakup." *J. Spectr. Theory* **7**, 87 (2017).
30. A. Elgart, L. Pastur and M. Shcherbina, "Large block properties of the entanglement entropy of free disordered fermions." *J. Stat. Phys.* **166**, 1092 (2017).
31. A. Elgart, A. Klein, and G. Stolz, "Droplet localization in the random XXZ model and its manifestations." *J. Phys. A: Math. Theor.* **51**, 01LT02 (2018). * IOPselect paper
32. A. Elgart, A. Klein, and G. Stolz, "Many-body localization in the droplet spectrum of the random XXZ quantum spin chain." *J. Funct. Anal.* **275**, 211 (2018).
33. A. Elgart, A. Klein, and G. Stolz, "Manifestations of dynamical localization in the disordered XXZ spin chain." *Comm. Math. Phys.* **361** 1083 (2018).
34. A. Elgart and A. Klein, "Eigensystem multiscale analysis for Anderson localization in energy intervals." *J. Spectr. Theory*, **9**, 711 (2019).
35. A. Elgart and A. Klein, "Eigensystem multiscale analysis for the Anderson model via the Wegner estimate." *Ann. Henri Poincaré*. doi 10.1007/s00023-020-00926-0.

Conference Proceedings

1. J. E. Avron and A. Elgart, "An adiabatic theorem without a gap condition" *Mathematical results in quantum mechanics* (Prague, 1998), 3, Oper. Theory Adv. Appl., **108**, Birkhäuser, Basel, (1999).
2. G. Stolz, M. Aizenman, A. Elgart, S. Naboko, and J. H. Schenker, "Fractional moment methods for Anderson localization in the continuum" *XIVth International Congress on Mathematical Physics*, 619, World Sci. Publ., Hackensack, NJ, (2005).
3. G. M. Graf, A. Elgart, L. Sadun, and K. Schnee, "Transport in adiabatic quantum pumps" *XIVth International Congress on Mathematical Physics*, 171, World Sci. Publ., Hackensack, NJ, (2005).
4. A. Elgart, "Adiabatic transport, Kubo formula and Anderson localization in some lattice and continuum models" *XIVth International Congress on Mathematical Physics*, 163, World Sci. Publ., Hackensack, NJ, (2005).
5. A. Elgart, "Equality of the bulk and edge Hall conductances in $2D$ " *Mathematical physics of quantum mechanics*, 325, Lecture Notes in Phys., 690, Springer, Berlin, (2006).
6. A. Elgart, H. Krüger, M. Tautenhahn, and I. Veselić, "Discrete Schrödinger operators with random alloy-type potential", *Proceedings of Spectral Days 2010*, Santiago, Chile, (2011).

Submitted Papers and Preprints

1. A. Dietlein and A. Elgart, "Level spacing for continuum random Schrödinger operators with applications." [arXiv:1712.03925](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.03925).