

# Changkai Zhang

## Curriculum Vitae

### Education History

- 2021 – now **PhD Candidate**, *Ludwig-Maximilian-Universität München*, München.  
Research Project: Tensor Network Simulations of Hubbard Model.
- 2019 – 2021 **Master of Science**, *Ludwig-Maximilian-Universität München*, München.  
Specialized in Theoretical Physics. Grading – 1.5/1.0.
- 2016 – 2018 **Bachelor of Science**, *The University of Manchester*, Manchester.  
Specialized in Theoretical Physics. Grading – First Class Honours.
- 2014 – 2018 **Bachelor of Science**, *Beijing Normal University*, Beijing.  
Specialized in Physics / Computer Science. Grading – 87/100

### Master Thesis

- Title **Symmetric iPEPS Study of Quantum Lattice Models**
- Supervisor Prof. Jan von Delft
- Description Infinite Projected Entangled-Pair State (iPEPS) is a type of tensor network state ansatz for two-dimensional quantum lattice models. Symmetries can be exploited to reduce numerical costs and study quantum states with distinct symmetries. Remarkably, our calculations show that an  $SU(2)$  symmetric uniform state of the  $t_1$ - $t_2$  Hubbard model is lower in energy than the previously found  $U(1)$  stripes.

### Bachelor Thesis

- Title **On the AdS/CFT Correspondence**
- Supervisor Prof. Niels Walet
- Description This thesis is a brief review of the AdS/CFT correspondence, including the original derivation and a modern implication of the AdS/CFT correspondence with a revealing introduction of the concepts used. Also presented are checks of this correspondence and how it can be applied in areas like computing the entanglement entropy.

### Teaching Experience

- 2019 **Lecture Series on Gauge/Gravity Duality**
- Lecture series given at Sustech including 4 lectures on some basic string theory and the gauge/gravity duality as well as its applications on holographic entanglement entropy and holographic superconductors.

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## Research Experience

- 2020 – 2021 **Tensor Network Study of Quantum Lattice Models.**  
One-year master's project on symmetric iPEPS study of various two-dimensional quantum lattice models on square lattices, especially  $t_1$ - $t_2$  Hubbard model.
- 2016 – 2017 **Path Integral Quantization of Fields.**  
One-year undergraduate research training program. Leader of a team of 3 members. Document is hosted by Readthedocs, accessible via [path-integral-project.rtdfd.io](https://path-integral-project.rtdfd.io)

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## Coursework

- 2016 **Measurement of Compton Cross Section.**  
Lab report on the measurement of the differential cross section of Compton scattering, available via DOI: 10.13140/RG.2.2.30861.23526
- 2018 **Nuclear and Particle Physics.**  
Lecture note on PHYS30121 Introduction to Nuclear and Particle Physics at the University of Manchester, available via <https://chx-zh.cc/NucParPhys-Online>

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## Computer Skills

- Language C/C++, Python, Haskell, Mathematica,  $\LaTeX$
- Utilities Linux & CLI tools, Vector Graphics e.g. Illustrator & Gravit Designer
- Algorithm Machine Learning, Deep Learning

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## Languages

- Chinese First language, simplified & traditional
- English Second language, oral & written, daily & academic
- Deutsch Third language, beginner's level, oral & daily

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## Interests & Hobbies

- Aviation All sorts of model aircraft, including fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters and rockets. Also interested in commercial flight safety.
- Network A web server hosted by a Raspberry Pi and several cloud computing instances running various web services.
- Music & Art Chinese traditional-style music & traditional instruments. Graphic design and web front-end interface design.
- PKM System Personal Knowledge Management, the methodology of managing computerized knowledge and creating efficient human-computer interaction.

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