

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Full-time engineer at Intel working in device and integration development. PhD graduate from UCLA's Electrical Engineering Department, worked in the field of device physics and spintronics. Ten years of experience in device characterization and fabrication in cleanroom with proficiency in device design and physics, test measurement setups, data analysis, and modelling.

## EDUCATION

**University of California, Los Angeles (Cumulative GPA 3.71)** **June 2018**

Ph.D. and Masters in Electrical Engineering, Physical and Wave Electronics at Device Research Laboratory.

**University of British Columbia (GPA 81%)** **April 2010**

Bachelor of Applied Sciences in Electrical Engineering, Microsystems and Nanotechnology Option.

<b>Courses</b>	Semiconductor Physics, Solid State Physics, Semiconductor Device Lab, Electron Microscopy, Microwave Semiconductor Devices, Integrated Circuits Fabrication Processes, Laser Theory, Microwave and Wireless Design
Graduate level	

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### Equipment

- Flash memory reliability and test
- Test equipment such as network analyzer, signal generator, spectrum analyzer, function generator, pulse generator, oscilloscope
- Micro/Nano fabrication using cleanroom facilities
- Thin film processes and characterization, CVD, ALD, e-beam evaporation, ICP etching, sputtering
- RF/Microwave device fab and test
- SEM, AFM, Veeco Wyko optical profiler, SQUID, Raman Spectroscopy, FMR
- Quantum Design Physical Properties Measurements System
- Graphene, MoS<sub>2</sub>, and other 2D material processing

### Software

MatLab, LabView, DesignCAD, COMSOL, Advanced Design Systems, Layout Editor

## TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

**Device and Integration Development Engineer at *Intel Corporation*** **August 2018 to Present**

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**Device Engineer Intern at *Western Digital Corporation*** **June 2017 to September 2017**

- Qualified and tested 128 Gb 3D NAND flash memory dies for strategic customer's mobile products
- Performed reliability measurements on several hundred NAND flash memory dies using test chambers
- Calibrated temperature of test chambers using thermocouples and LabView program along with temperature data collected by the memory controller to ensure accurate test environment
- Measured memory parameters including throughput, bad blocks, and latency under start and end-of-life conditions
- Analyzed memory block conditions after data retention, read disturb, and X-ray exposure

**Process Engineer Intern at *Active Layer Parametrics Inc.*** **July 2015 to March 2016**

- Prepared samples for a patented system which characterized semiconductor electrical parameters such as mobility and carrier density with respect to junction depth with Angstrom resolution
- Utilized ICP for etching III-V semiconductors such as GaAs and GaN
- Characterized electrical properties, surface roughness, mesa steps of thin films using Keithley 4200, Veeco Wyko optical profiler, AFM, and Dektak stylus profiler

**Research Assistant at *UBC Quantum Devices Group*** **May 2010 to May 2011**

- Worked on a method for fabricating a nano-scale, all-Carbon based, transistor
- Utilized carbon nanotubes and graphene to pattern graphene in to nanometer scale channels
- Developed a process to fabricate a BN-graphene stack for electron mobility enhancement on graphene

## PROJECT AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Enhancement of Spin-Wave Propagation Length in Planar YIG Devices January 2016 to June 2018

- Fabricated micrometer sized planar YIG/Pt and YIG/Topological Insulator (TI) heterostructures devices
- Used RF/Microwave tools such as VNA, spectrum analyzer, and signal generator to analyze device performance
- Devised and prepared experimental setup and LabView program to analyze spin-wave propagation
- Utilized spin current in Pt and TI to enhance the output signal power by 6 dB through the spin-orbit torque (SOT)
- Wrote a MatLab code to automate the data analysis of spin-wave propagation and the effect of TI
- Used theoretical models and collaborated with physicists to analyze and understand experimental data
- Performed COMSOL simulations to characterize excitation from coplanar waveguides
- Investigated using other materials such as anti-ferromagnets to increase spin-wave propagation length in YIG filters

### Efficient Excitation of Exchange-Dominated Spin-Waves January 2016 to February 2017

- Developed a new and efficient method to characterize exchange stiffness in ferromagnetic materials
- Fabricated spin-wave devices based on CoFeB and YIG films and utilized VNA to determine S parameters
- Achieved reducing the required magnetic bias field by an order of magnitude to excite spin-waves at 20 to 25 GHz
- Collaborated with other research groups to build a model for simulating magnetic oscillations in developed devices

### THz Radiation and Plasmonic Absorption by Graphene April 2013 to December 2015

- Established a new method for fabricating highly periodic sinusoidal silicon oxide substrate with periodicities as low as 500 nm and depths of 200 nm
- Achieved formation of sinusoidal graphene by transferring CVD graphene film on sinusoidal silicon oxide using heating methods for graphene conformation to substrate
- Analyzed radiation and plasmonic absorption of sinusoidal graphene in THz frequencies using silicon bolometer and studying electron transport, optical, and mechanical properties

### Chemical Vapor Deposition of Graphene on Copper Film and Optimization of Graphene Quality February 2013 to June 2015

- Installed a furnace and the vacuum system for growth of monolayer graphene through chemical vapor deposition
- Optimized graphene film quality by tuning growth parameters
- Utilized Raman spectroscopy and electrical characterization to determine graphene quality
- Deposited thin oxide layer on graphene using ALD to modulate current and used data to determine carrier mobility
- Improved graphene carrier mobility from 300 cm<sup>2</sup>/V.sec to 2000 cm<sup>2</sup>/V.sec
- Performed low temperature measurements at 77 K to characterize carrier mobility at low temperatures
- Reduced intrinsic carrier concentration from 10<sup>13</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup> to 10<sup>11</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>, which is an indication of low impurities
- Increased graphene crystal grain size from 1 μm to nearly 50 μm

### Fabrication and Characterization of an All-Carbon Transistor May 2010 to May 2011

- Developed a method for fabricating a nano-scale graphene transistor
- Utilized carbon nanotubes and graphene to pattern graphene in to nanometer scale channels
- Used AFM to manipulate and reposition carbon nanotubes on the graphene channel to act as gate
- Developed a process to fabricate a BN-graphene stack for electron mobility enhancement on graphene

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Introduction to Nanoelectronics, Teaching Assistant Spring 2014 and Winter 2015

- Covered topics such as quantum mechanics, electron tunneling, RTD, single electron transistor, and spintronics
- Led discussion sessions for students, answered students' questions on subjects covered in class
- Taught additional course subjects and supplementary materials

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- LEADERSHIP ROLES**
- Co-founder of UCLA Electrical Engineering Graduate Students and Post-Docs Society (Since April 2016)
  - Chairman of UBC IEEE Student Branch (September 2008 to April 2010)

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## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PATENT

- S. Cakmakyapan, P. K. Lu, A. Navabi, M. Jarrahi, "Gold-Patched Graphene Nano-Stripes for High-Responsivity and Ultrafast Photodetection from the Visible to Infrared Regime," to be published in *Light: Science and Applications*, April 2018

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- **A. Navabi**, Y. Liu, P. Upadhyaya, G. Yu, M. Yazdani, K. Murata, M. Montazeri, F. Ebrahimi, P. Khalili Amiri, K. L. Wang, "Spin-wave Amplification in YIG/Pt System: Frequency and Bias Magnetic Field Dependencies," To be presented at *Magnetism and Magnetic Materials Conference*, Pittsburg PA, November 2017
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- T. Suhara, K. Murata, **A. Navabi**, K. O. Hara, Y. Nakagawa, C. T. Trinh, Y. Kurokawa, T. Suemasu, K. L. Wang, Noritaka Usami, "Postannealing effects on undoped BaSi<sub>2</sub> evaporated films grown on Si substrates," *Japanese Journal of Applied Physics*, 56, 5S1, 05DB05, April 2017
- Q. Shao, C. Tang, G. Yu, **A. Navabi**, H. Wu, C. He, J. Li, P. Upadhyaya, S. A. Razavi, Q. L. He, Y. Liu, L. Pan, X. Han, Y. Tserkovnyak, J. Shi, K. L. Wang, "Saturation magnetization dependent spin torque efficiency in tungsten/magnetic insulator bilayers," Under Review in *Physical Review Letters*, March 2017
- **A. Navabi**, C. Chen, A. Barra, M. Yazdani, G. Yu, M. Montazeri, M. Aldosary, J. Li, K. Wong, Q. Hu, J. Shi, G. P. Carman, A. E. Sepulveda, P. K. Amiri, and K. L. Wang, "Efficient Excitation of High-Frequency Exchange-Dominated Spin Waves in Periodic Ferromagnetic Structures," *Physical Review Applied*, 7, 34027, February 2017
- H. Medina, J.G. Li, T.Y. Su, Y.W. Lan, S.H. Lee, C.W. Chen, Y.Z. Chen, A. Manikandan, S. Tsai, **A. Navabi**, X. Zhu, Y.C. Shih, W.S. Lin, J.H. Yang, S. R. Thomas, B.W. Wu, C.H. Shen, J.M. Shieh, H.N. Lin, A. Javey, K. L. Wang, Y.L. Chueh, "Wafer-Scale Growth of WSe<sub>2</sub> Monolayers Toward Phase-Engineered Hybrid WO<sub>x</sub>/WSe<sub>2</sub> Films with Sub-ppb NO<sub>x</sub> Gas Sensing by a Low-Temperature Plasma-Assisted Selenization Process," *Chemistry of Materials*, 29, 4, 1587, February 2017
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## HOBBIES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Cycling, Scuba Diving, Hiking, Swimming, Snowboarding