Shu Huang

Research Interests

Computational materials science, machine learning applications in materials modeling, nuclear materials, multiferroic devices, and fusion energy research.

Education

- 2016–2022 **Ph.D. in Materials Science**, *University of California, Los Angeles*, Los Angeles, USA Dissertation: [Multi-Scale Modeling and Simulations for Materials Phenomena]
- 2014–2016 M.Sc. in Materials Engineering, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA
- 2010-2014 B.Sc. in Applied Physics, Hefei University of Technology, Hefei, China

Work Experience & Projects

- 2022-Present Software Engineer, Workday Inc., San Francisco Bay Area, USA
 - **O What-if Scenario Modeling & Simulation for Agile Business Planning**
 - Designed and implemented What-if Scenario Modeling and Simulation, leveraging data analysis, modeling, and database development to help businesses assess the impact of various coursecorrecting measures.
 - Integrated **analytics and reporting** features to generate **data-driven insights**, enabling organizations to visualize trends, identify opportunities, and mitigate risks.
 - 2017–2022 Research Assistant, Marian's Group, UCLA, Los Angeles, USA
 - Machine Learning Modeling on Tungsten Oxidation:
 - Developed databases, regression models (CNN, Random Forest, k-NN) to predict oxidation growth curves of Tungsten.
 - Kinetics Model of Multi-layer Tungsten Oxide:
 - Developed kinetics models in Java to simulate interface front trajectories using the Stefan model and partial differential equations for diffusion.
 - Conducted large-scale simulations on a distributed computing system to analyze the oxidation process
 of tungsten, a critical material for fusion reactor chambers.
 - Finite Element Methods on Multiferroic Devices:
 - Used FEM in C++ and COMSOL to analyze mechanical response in multi-ferroic materials consisting of a CFO and PZT.
 - Revealed that shear coupling at the interface significantly enhances the deformation in the piezoelectric effect, demonstrating the material's strong potential as a promising candidate for piezoelectric devices.
 - Modeling & Simulation of Fusion Irradiation Damage:
 - Derived analytical expressions for coagulation rates and absorption rates at sinks for species generated by irradiation damage, moving along 1D trajectories.
 - The analytical derivations were validated through Kinetic Monte Carlo simulations, demonstrating a more precise estimation compared to traditional reaction rate calculations.

2017-2020 Teaching Assistant, UCLA, Los Angeles, USA

 MSE 270 Computer Simulations of Materials: Conducted instructional sessions and led discussions on computational modeling methods, including basic statistical mechanics, classical molecular dynamics, and Monte Carlo methods. Assisted in designing, running, and analyzing more than 15 computer simulations of materials.

2016 Engineering Manager, Alpha Ring LLC, Los Angeles, USA

- $\odot\,$ Developed fusion reactor systems, vacuum cooling mechanisms.
- Optimized power input-output efficiency using LabVIEW, improving energy output ratio from 2.0 to 3.5.

Workshops & Summer Schools

- Oct, 2019 International Conference on Fusion Reactor Materials, University of California, Los Angeles
- Jul, 2019 Modeling Experimentation Validation Summer School, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN
- Jun, 2019 Integrated Computational Materials Education, National Science Foundation, UC Berkeley & University of Michigan
- Jul, 2018 Dislocation Dynamics with Kinetic Monte Carlo, Los Alamos National Lab

Key Skills

Modeling Ab initio (VASP), Finite Element Methods, Kinetic Monte Carlo, Molecular Dynamics

Programming Java, Python, C++, MATLAB, React, Bash

Machine Learning Data Analysis, Neural Networks, Feature Engineering

Characterization Corrosion Analysis, Semiconductor Device Physics

Publications

Huang, S., et al. *Multilayer Interface Tracking Model of Pure Tungsten Oxidation*. Modelling and Simulation in Materials Science and Engineering (2022).

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Huang, S., and Marian, J. *Rates of diffusion controlled reactions for one-dimensionally-moving species in 3D space*. **Philosophical Magazine** (2019).

Zhao, Y., Zhu, P., Wang, M., Huang, S. et al *A polymerization-assisted grain growth strategy* for efficient and stable perovskite solar cells. **Advanced Materials** (2020).

Jacobs, M., Zhou, X., Olivera, E., Sheil, R., Huang, S., ... and Marian, J. *Room temperature rectification in tapered-channel thermal diodes through nanoscale confinement-induced liquid-solid phase change.* Journal of Applied Physics (2021).

Zheng,S, Huang,J, Murali, N., Huang, S., Huang,Y., Jaime Marian, J., et al *New dispersion mechanism for oxide dispersion-strengthened steels by liquid metallurgy*. **Materialia** (2024).

Geng, Peng, Shu Huang, and Jaime Marian., *Stability of trivalent and hexavalent chromium oxide layers on aluminum substrates from electronic structure calculations*. **Physical Review Materials** (2024).