

CURRICULUM VITAE – ALESSIO GIAMPIETRI

Education and training

September 2017 - August 2020

Post Doc

Spectromicroscopy Beamline, Elettra-Sincrotrone Trieste S.C.p.A.

January 2014 - February 2017

Ph.D. School in Physics, Astrophysics and Applied Physics

Università degli Studi di Milano and Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Ph.D. thesis: Growth, local structural and electronic properties, and band alignment at SrTiO₃-based all-oxide heterojunctions

Tutor: Prof. Luigi Sangaletti

October 2011 - July 2013

Master degree in Physics - Laurea Magistrale

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Thesis: Proprietà elettroniche di eterostrutture a base di ossidi isolanti

Supervisor: Prof. Luigi Sangaletti

Final grades: 110/110 cum laude

October 2008 - September 2011

Bachelor degree in Physics - Laurea Triennale

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Thesis: Spettroscopia di fotoemissione da pnictidi superconduttori a base di Fe - Ir - As - O e terre rare

Supervisor: Prof. Luigi Sangaletti

Final grades: 110/110 cum laude

Career summary

Within his PhD research activity, Dr. Alessio Giampietri mainly worked on the growth and characterization of oxide thin films. The principal subjects of his bachelor and master degree theses were the study of iron pnictides, LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ and Al₂O₃/SrTiO₃ interfaces by X-ray photoemission spectroscopy (XPS) and X-ray photoelectron diffraction (XPD) techniques, while the PhD thesis research activity was mainly focused on the growth of oxide heterostructures by RF magnetron sputtering, namely BiFeO₃, Al₂O₃ and CuO epitaxial films grown on SrTiO₃, and on the band alignment analysis. The ability to tailor the film and substrate properties by various treatments (thermal annealing, chemical etching, ion sputtering, ...) was necessary for the production of high quality samples. The surface and interface properties of these heterostructures were studied by XPS, XPD, μ -Raman spectroscopy, atomic force microscopy (AFM) and piezoresponse force microscopy (PFM). Furthermore, the experience at several beamtimes and the attendance to a Synchrotron-radiation school helped Dr. Giampietri to learn the basics of synchrotron radiation techniques (mainly X-ray absorption spectroscopy, X-ray dichroism and resonant photoemission). During the Post Doc on the spectromicroscopy beamline, Dr. Giampietri improved his knowledge of the angle resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ArPES) technique and studied several 2D materials and single crystals within the support activity of users in beamtimes. The internal research activity was principally focused on the study of twisted bilayer graphene, a material which is currently a hot topic of modern physics.

Experimental skills

- Experience in UHV systems
- Thin film growth by RF magnetron sputtering deposition
- X-ray photoemission spectroscopy (XPS) and X-ray photoelectron diffraction (XPD)
- Angle resolved photoemission spectroscopy (ArPES)
- Synchrotron radiation based techniques: X-ray absorption (XAS), resonant photoemission (ResPES), X-ray linear dichroism (XLD) and X-ray magnetic circular dichroism (XMCD)
- Atomic force microscopy (AFM, contact and semi-contact modes) and piezoresponse force microscopy (PFM)
- μ -Raman spectroscopy and magneto optical Kerr effect (MOKE)

Computational skills

- Software for data analysis (Igor pro, Gwyddion)
- High-quality typesetting system (LaTeX)
- Software for crystal visualization (VESTA) and ab-initio density functional theory (ABINIT-basic level)

Publications

Refereed publications

- (1) P. Zhang, R. Noguchi, K. Kuroda, C. Lin, K. Kawaguchi, K. Yaji, A. Harasawa, S. Nie, H. Weng, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, Q. Li, G. D. Gu, S. Shin, T. Kondo, *Observation and control of the weak topological insulator state in $ZrTe_5$* , Nat. Commun. **12** (2021) 406
- (2) R. Noguchi, M. Kobayashi, Z. Jiang, K. Kuroda, T. Takahashi, Z. Xu, D. Lee, M. Hirayama, M. Ochi, T. Shirasawa, P. Zhang, C. Lin, C. Bareille, S. Sakuragi, H. Tanaka, S. Kunisada, K. Kurokawa, K. Yaji, A. Harasawa, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, T. K. Kim, C. Cacho, M. Hashimoto, D. Lu, S. Shin, R. Arita, K. Lai, T. Sasagawa, T. Kondo, *Evidence for a higher-order topological insulator in a 3D material built from van der Waals stacking of bismuth-halide chains*, Nat. Mater. (2021)
- (3) A. J. Graham, J. Zultak, M. J. Hamer, V. Zolyomi, S. Magorrian, A. Barinov, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Locatelli, F. Genuzio, N. Teutsch, T. Salazar, N. D. M. Hine, V. I. Fal'ko, R. V. Gorbachev, N. R. Wilson, *Ghost anti-crossings caused by interlayer umklapp hybridization of bands in 2D heterostructures*, 2D Mater. **8** (2020) 015016
- (4) S. Lisi, X. Lu, T. Benschop, T. A. de Jong, P. Stepanov, J. R. Duran, F. Margot, I. Cucchi, E. Cappelli, A. Hunter, A. Tamai, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, J. Jobst, V. Stalman, M. Leeuwenhoek, K. Watanabe, T. Taniguchi, L. Rademaker, S. J. van der Molen, M. Allan, D. K. Efetov and F. Baumberger, *Observation of flat bands in twisted bilayer graphene*, Nat. Phys. (2020)
- (5) S. Dash, H. Enomoto, T. Kajita, K. Ono, K. Horiba, M. Kobayashi, H. Kumigashira, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, F. Stramaglia, N. L. Saini, T. Katsufuji and T. Mizokawa, *Temperature-dependent evolution of Ti 3d spectral features at surface of $Ba_xTi_8O_{16+\delta}$* , Phys. Rev. B **100** (2019) 125153

- (6) T. Sugimoto, E. Paris, K. Terashima, A. Barinov, **A. Giampietri**, T. Wakita, T. Yokoya, J. Kajitani, R. Higashinaka, T. D. Matsuda, Y. Aoki, T. Mizokawa and N. L. Saini, *Inhomogeneous charge distribution in a self-doped EuFBiS₂ superconductor*, Phys. Rev. B **100** (2019) 064520
- (7) P. Nguyen, N. C. Teutsch, N. Wilson, J. Kahn, X. Xia, A. J. Graham, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, G. Constantinescu, N. Yeung, N. Hine, X. Xu and N. R. Wilson, *Visualizing electrostatic gating effects in two-dimensional heterostructures*, Nature **572** (2019) 220-223
- (8) M. Hamer, J. Zultak, A. V. Tyurnina, V. Zólyomi, D. Terry, A. Barinov, A. Garner, J. Donoghue, A. P. Rooney, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. J. Graham, N. C. Teutsch, X. Xia, M. Koperski, S. J. Haigh, V. I. Fal'ko, R. Gorbachev and N. R. Wilson, *Indirect to direct gap crossover in two-dimensional InSe revealed by ARPES*, ACS Nano **13** (2019) 2136-2142
- (9) R. Noguchi, T. Takahashi, K. Kuroda, M. Ochi, T. Shirasawa, M. Sakano, C. Bareille, M. Nakayama, M. D. Watson, K. Yaji, A. Harasawa, H. Iwasawa, P. Dudin, T. K. Kim, M. Hoesch, V. Kandyba, **A. Giampietri**, A. Barinov, S. Shin, R. Arita, T. Sasagawa and T. Kondo, *A weak topological insulator state in quasi-one-dimensional bismuth iodide*, Nature **566** (2019) 518-522
- (10) G. Drera, **A. Giampietri**, A. Febbrari, M. Patrini, M. C. Mozzati and L. Sangaletti, *Band offset and gap tuning of tetragonal CuO – SrTiO₃ heterojunctions*, Physical Review B **99** (2019) 075124
- (11) V. Kandyba, A. Al-Mahboob, **A. Giampietri**, J. T. Sadowski and A. Barinov, *Tuning electronic properties by oxidation-reduction reactions at graphene-ruthenium interface*, Carbon **138** (2018), 271-276
- (12) **A. Giampietri**, G. Drera, L. Sangaletti, *Band alignment at the heteroepitaxial perovskite oxide interfaces: Experiments, Methods, and Perspectives*, Advanced Materials Interfaces **4** (2017) 1700144
- (13) G. Drera, C. Cepek, L. L. Patera, F. Bondino, E. Magnano, S. Nappini, C. Africh, A. Lodi-Rizzini, N. Joshi, P. Ghosh, A. Barla, S. K. Mahatha, S. Pagliara, **A. Giampietri**, C. Pintossi, and L. Sangaletti, *Identification of Ni₂C electronic states in graphene-Ni(111) growth through resonant and dichroic angle-resolved photoemission at the C K-edge*, Phys. Rev. B **96** (2017) 165442
- (14) **A. Giampietri**, G. Drera, I. Piš, E. Magnano, L. Sangaletti, *Tracking the amorphous to epitaxial transition in RF-sputtered cubic BFO-STO heterojunctions by means of X-ray photoelectron diffraction*, Applied Physics Letters **109** (2016) 132903
- (15) G. Drera, **A. Giampietri**, I. Alessandri, E. Magnano, F. Bondino, S. Nappini, *Grain size and stoichiometry control over RF-sputtered multiferroic BiFeO₃ thin films on silicon substrates*, Thin Solid Films, **589** (2015) 551-555
- (16) G. Salvinelli, G. Drera, **A. Giampietri**, L. Sangaletti, *Layer-Resolved Cation Diffusion and Stoichiometry at the LaAlO₃/SrTiO₃ Heterointerface Probed by X-ray Photoemission Experiments and Site Occupancy Modeling*, ACS applied materials & interfaces **7** (2015) 25648-25657

Publications in preparation

- (1) M. J. Hamer, **A. Giampietri**, V. Kandyba, F. Genuzio, A. Locatelli, R. V. Gorbachev, A. Barinov, and M. Mucha-Kruczyński, *Moiré superlattice effects and band structure evolution in near-30-degree twisted bilayer graphene*, submitted to Nano Letters
- (2) Y. Matsuzawa, T. Morita, M. Arita, **A. Giampietri**, V. Kandyba, A. Barinov, A. Takahashi, Y. Nagakubo, T. Adachi, Y. Koike, A. Fujimori, N. L. Saini, T. Mizokawa, *Fermi surface geometry and inhomogeneous electronic states in Pr_{1.3-x}La_{0.7}Ce_xCuO₄ (x = 0.05) with reduced superconducting volume fraction*, submitted to Journal of the Physical Society of Japan

PhD Thesis

Title: Growth, local structural and electronic properties, and band alignment at SrTiO₃-based all-oxide heterojunctions.
Tutor: Prof. L. Sangaletti; *Coordinator:* Prof. F. Ragusa; *Referee:* Prof. P. Galinetto and Dr. A. Verdini

Presentations at conferences and workshops

EMRS 2016 Fall Meeting

19-22 September 2016, Warsaw

Oral presentation - Novel multifunctional applications of RF-sputtered BiFeO₃/SrTiO₃; the influence of long range crystal order probed by X-ray photoelectron diffraction

TRENDOXIDES2015

12-18 November 2015, Brescia

Poster presentation - Epitaxial growth of BiFeO₃ thin films by RF sputtering: effects of substrate termination and grain-size control

XIII School on Synchrotron Radiation: Fundamentals, Methods and Applications

14-25 September 2015, Grado (GO)

Poster presentation - Epitaxial growth of BiFeO₃ thin films by RF sputtering: effects of substrate termination and grain-size control

SuperFOx 2014

24-26 September 2014, Roma

Poster presentation - Characterization of multiferroic BiFeO₃ polycrystalline thin films grown by RF sputtering

Partecipation at schools

Online Symposium on Emergent Phenomena in Moiré Materials

6-17 July 2020, Barcelona

XXVI Elettra Users' Meeting – SciSyn X and TREES workshops

3-5 December 2018, Trieste

Labview (Basic Level) – Training Course

26 April-18 May 2018, Trieste

TRENDOXIDES2015

12-18 November 2015, Brescia

XIII School on Synchrotron Radiation: Fundamentals, Methods and Applications

14-25 September 2015, Grado (GO)

Synchrotron-based spectromicroscopy

26 February 2014, Milano

References

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