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## Education

- 2006–2010 **Ph.D. in Physics**, *Laboratoire de Mathématiques et Physique Théorique (LMPT)*,  
*Université François Rabelais*, Tours, France.  
*Superconducting Vortices in Weinberg–Salam theory.* (Advisor: Pr. Mikhail Volkov)
- 2004–2006 **Master of Science**, *Université François Rabelais*, Tours.  
*Non-linear Phenomena.* Research Training Period : Spinning Magnetic Monopoles.
- 2001–2004 **Bachelor of Science**, *Université François Rabelais*, Tours.

## Academic positions

### Research Positions

- Since 09/2014 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *KTH-Royal Institute of Technology*, Stockholm, Sweden .  
*Superconductivity, superfluidity, and topological defects* (Advisor: Dr. Egor Babaev)
- 11/2010–  
08/2014 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *University of Massachusetts*, Amherst MA, USA .  
*Topological defects in multi-component superconductors* (Advisor: Dr. Egor Babaev)

### Teaching Activities

- 2013 **Substitute teachings**, *KTH-Royal Institute of Technology*, Stockholm, Sweden.  
Graduate level Condensed matter course (including developing full set of lecture notes).  
See examples of my lecture notes at :  
<http://www.theophys.kth.se/~garaud/files/Lecture-notes/Lecture-notes-1.pdf>  
<http://www.theophys.kth.se/~garaud/files/Lecture-notes/Lecture-notes-2.pdf>
- 2011 **Substitute teachings**, *University of Massachusetts*, Amherst, MA.  
Undergraduate Electricity and magnetism
- 2006–2010 **Teaching Assistant (Lectures and Labs)**, *Université François Rabelais*, Tours, France.  
Undergraduate Mechanics, Electrodynamics, Fluid Mechanics, Electricity (total 290 h)

## Scientific Activity

### Online scientific profiles

- [Google Scholar] <http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=z2FrtfkAAAAJ&hl=en>
- [ArXiv] [http://arxiv.org/a/garaud\\_j\\_1](http://arxiv.org/a/garaud_j_1)

## Research coverage in general audience media

- [i] Based on J. Carlström, **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev [15] :  
*Physicists Unveil New Kind of Superconductivity* (2011) –  
<http://www.physorg.com/news/2011-10-physicists-unveil-theory-kind-superconductivity.html>,  
[http://www.cryogenicsociety.org/15558/news/theory\\_for\\_type\\_15\\_superconductivity/](http://www.cryogenicsociety.org/15558/news/theory_for_type_15_superconductivity/),  
<http://physicsforme.wordpress.com/2011/10/24/a-new-kind-of-superconductivity/>,  
find more links here: <http://www.theophys.kth.se/~garaud/news.html#nov2011>

## Publications

- [1] D. F. Agterberg and **J. Garaud**  
[Checkerboard order in vortex cores from pair density wave superconductivity](#)  
Submitted to *Phys. Rev. Lett.* [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1412.5101.
- [2] **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Vortex chains due to nonpairwise interactions and field-induced phase transitions between states with different broken symmetry in superconductors with competing order parameters](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **91**, 014510 (2015). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1411.6656.
- [3] **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Vortex matter in  \$U\(1\) \times U\(1\) \times \mathbb{Z}\_2\$  phase-separated superconducting condensates](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **90**, 214524 (2014). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1410.2985.
- [4] D. F. Agterberg, E. Babaev and **J. Garaud**  
[Microscopic prediction of skyrmion lattice state in clean interface superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **90**, 064509 (2014). [*Kaleidoscope*] [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1403.6655.
- [5] **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Topological defects in mixtures of superconducting condensates with different charges](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **89**, 214507 (2014). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1403.3373.
- [6] **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Domain walls and their experimental signatures in  \$s + is\$  superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **112**, 017003 (2014). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1308.3220.
- [7] **J. Garaud**, K. Sellin, J. Jäykkä and E. Babaev  
[Skyrmions induced by dissipationless drag in  \$U\(1\) \times U\(1\)\$  superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **89**, 104508 (2014). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1307.3211.
- [8] **J. Garaud**, E. Radu and M. S. Volkov  
[Stable Cosmic Vortons](#)  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **111**, 171602 (2013). [hep-th] arXiv:1303.3044.
- [9] **J. Garaud**, J. Carlström, E. Babaev and M. Speight  
[Chiral  \$CP^2\$  skyrmions in three-band superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **87**, 014507 (2013). [*Editors' Suggestion*] [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1211.4342.
- [10] **J. Garaud**, D. F. Agterberg and E. Babaev  
[Vortex coalescence and type-1.5 superconductivity in  \$Sr\_2RuO\_4\$](#)   
*Phys. Rev. B* **86**, 060513(R) (2012). [*Rapid Comm.*] [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1207.6395.
- [11] **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Skyrmionic state and stable half-quantum vortices in chiral  \$p\$ -wave superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **86**, 060514(R) (2012). [*Rapid Comm.*] [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1201.2946.
- [12] E. Babaev, J. Carlström, **J. Garaud**, M. Silaev and J. M. Speight  
[Type-1.5 superconductivity in multiband systems: magnetic response, broken symmetries and microscopic theory. A brief overview](#)  
*Physica C* **479**, 2–14 (2012). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1110.2744.
- [13] J. Carlström, **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Length scales, collective modes, and type-1.5 regimes in three-band superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **84**, 134518 (2011). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1107.4279.
- [14] **J. Garaud**, J. Carlström and E. Babaev  
[Topological solitons in three-band superconductors with broken time reversal symmetry](#)  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **107**, 197001 (2011). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1107.0995.

- [15] J. Carlström, **J. Garaud** and E. Babaev  
[Semi-Meissner state and nonpairwise intervortex interactions in type-1.5 superconductors](#)  
*Phys. Rev. B* **84**, 134515 (2011). [cond-mat.supr-con] arXiv:1101.4599.
- [16] **J. Garaud** and M. S. Volkov  
[Stability analysis of Superconducting Electroweak Strings](#)  
*Nucl. Phys. B* **839**, 310–340 (2010). [hep-th] arXiv:1005.3002.
- [17] **J. Garaud** and M. S. Volkov  
[Superconducting non-Abelian vortices in Weinberg–Salam theory – electroweak thunderbolts](#)  
*Nucl. Phys. B* **826**, 174–216, (2010). [hep-th] arXiv:0906.2996.
- [18] **J. Garaud** and M. S. Volkov  
[Stability analysis of the twisted superconducting semilocal strings](#)  
*Nucl. Phys. B* **799**, 430–455, (2008). [hep-th] arXiv:0712.3589.

### Unpublished Works

- [19] **J. Garaud**  
[Superconducting vortices in Weinberg–Salam theory](#), Ph.D. thesis (2010). [tel-00544753].  
 Laboratoire de Mathématiques et Physique Théorique, Université de Tours.
- [20] **J. Garaud**  
*Spinning magnetic monopoles*, Master thesis (2006).  
 Laboratoire de Mathématiques et Physique Théorique, Université de Tours.

### Contribution to scientific libraries

- [21] **J. Garaud** and A. W. Steiner  
[ode\\_bv\\_multishoot.h](#) (included into O2slc), (2008).  
 A C++ abstract class template solver for Boundary Value Problems.  
 Included in the C++ scientific library O2scl (available at <http://o2scl.sourceforge.net>).  
 This is an advanced solver that I developed for boundary value Ordinary Differential Equations problems based on a multiple shooting scheme.

### Other Professional activities

Referee **for** *Physical Review Letters*, *Physical Review A*, *Physical Review B*, *Physical Review E*, and *Physics Letters A* .

### Invited talks

- Mar. 2014 **Probing unconventional superconducting states with topological defects**, *LPS*, Orsay.
- Feb. 2014 **Domain-walls and Skyrmions in multi-component superconductors**, *LMPT*, Tours.
- Apr. 2013 **Topological defects in multi-component superconductors**, *GREMAN*, Tours.
- Apr. 2013 **Topological defects in multi-component superconductors**, *LPTMC*, Paris.
- Mar. 2013 **Topological solitons in superconductors with BTRS**, *LPS*, Orsay.
- Dec. 2012 **Skyrmions in multi-component superconductors**, *LOMA*, Bordeaux.
- Oct. 2012 **Topological solitons in multi-component superconductors**, *KTH*, Stockholm.
- Apr. 2012 **Topological solitons in superconductors with BTRS**, *UMass*, Amherst.
- Sep. 2011 **Ground-states in multi-component superconductors**, *LMPT*, Tours.
- Apr. 2011 **Non-pairwise interactions in type–1.5 superconductors**, *UMass*, Amherst.
- Oct. 2010 **Superconducting vortices in electroweak theory**, *KTH*, Stockholm.
- Aug. 2010 **Superconducting electroweak vortices**, Oldenburg.
- Nov. 2006 **Spinning magnetic monopoles and vortices**, *MAPMO*, Orléans.

## Contributed talks

- Sep. 2015 **Vortex matter in nanostructured superconductors (VORTEX IX)**, Rhodes.  
TBA
- Jun. 2014 **New Horizon of Strongly Correlated Physics (NHSCP2014)**, ISSP, Tokyo.  
Topological defects and their experimental signature in  $s+is$  superconductors
- Sep. 2013 **Vortex matter in nanostructured superconductors (VORTEX VIII)**, Rhodes.  
Topological excitations in  $s + is$  superconductors and their experimental signatures
- Aug. 2013 **Workshop Superconductivity: the Second Century**, Nordita, Stockholm.  
Topological excitations in  $s + is$  superconductors
- Mar. 2013 **March meeting of the APS**, Baltimore, MD.  
Chiral  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  skyrmions in three-band superconductors and layered superconducting structures
- Dec. 2012 **Quantized flux in tightly knotted and linked systems**, *Newton Institute*, Cambridge.  
 $\mathbb{C}P^2$  baby-skyrmions in three-component superconductors (talk and poster)
- Mar. 2012 **March meeting of the APS**, Boston, MA.  
Topological solitons in three-band superconductors with broken time reversal symmetry
- Sep. 2011 **Vortex matter in nanostructured superconductors (VORTEX VII)**, Rhodes.  
Magnetic response of multi-component type-II and type-1.5 superconductors (poster)
- Mar. 2011 **March meeting of the APS**, Dallas, TX.  
Ground states of multi-band type-I and type-1.5 superconductors and interlaced type-I/type-II layered superconducting structures in external magnetic field
- Nov. 2008 **Workshop knots and vortons III**, *LMPT*, Tours.  
Superconducting vortices in electroweak theory
- May 2007 **Workshop knots and vortons II**, *LMPT*, Tours.  
Stability of superconducting semilocal vortices

## Scientific and technical skills

### General mathematical expertise

Modelisation and numerical simulations of complex systems – Linear/non-linear Partial Differential Equations – Finite elements – Finite differences – Optimization – Monte Carlo simulations – Parallel tempering

### Computer skills

Scientific Progr.	: C/C++, FreeFem++.	System Progr.	: bash, perl, sbatch, qsub.
Libraries	: FreeFem++, Boost, FFTW, Qt4.	Parallelism	: MPI.
Devel.	: autotools, svn.	Vizualization	: Gnuplot, VTK, Paraview, Qt4.
OS	: Linux, Mac OS X.	Software	: Mathematica, Maple.
Other	: $\text{\LaTeX}$ , $\text{\LaTeX}$ , html/css, Doxygen.		

### Spoken languages

French	<b>Mother tongue</b>
English	<b>Fluent</b>
Spanish	<b>Basic knowledge</b>

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## Recent research interest

I am interested in various aspects of superconductivity, cold atomic systems and magnetism. I am in particular interested in the physical properties and observability of various kind of topological defects that may be created during phase transitions occurring therein. Associated with broken symmetries, topological defects are ubiquitous in physics, as they arise in a very broad context including early universe cosmology, particle physics, solid state, condensed matter physics and more. They are believed to drive certain phase transitions in many physical system, as for example vortices in superfluids and superconductor, dislocation in liquid crystals, domain-walls or skyrmions in magnets, and much more. During my earlier works, as Ph.D. student in high-energy physics, dealt with vortex solutions of the Weinberg–Salam theory of electroweak interactions, that may have been produced during early universe phase transitions.

After graduating four years ago, I have been working in the fields of superconductivity and cold atomic systems. I have been interested there, in studying topological defects and their observational properties in systems with multiple broken symmetries, such as multi-component superfluids, exotic superconducting states and more. These are typically modelled by multiple order parameters or order parameters with multiple components. Due to the existence of multiple length-scales and higher broken symmetries, the subtle interplay between multiple these order parameters or their components yields a very rich physics that is typically absent in single-component systems. The resulting properties may in general help to probe the underlying physics, as for example pairing mechanisms of new or unconventional materials.

Giving valuable insight on the (unconventional) broken symmetries and phase transitions, the topological defects I have been studying, as for example vortices, domain-walls, skyrmions, etc, may be used as observable markers that signal multiple broken symmetries related to unconventional states of superconductors, superfluids, ultra-cold atoms, magnets and more.

### Brief summary of recent results

- Prediction of a field-induced charge density wave order originating in competing pair density wave and *d*-wave superconducting states [1]. This order provides strong evidence for pair density wave order in the pseudogap phase of the cuprates.
- Investigation of magnetization properties of superconducting systems with competing order parameters [2, 3]. That is, superconductors with phase separation driven by intercomponent density-density interaction. We demonstrate there, that multi-body intervortex interactions can be strongly non-pairwise.
- Prediction of unconventional magnetic response in interface superconductors with a strong Rashba spin-orbit coupling [4]. We demonstrate microscopically that in the clean limit interface superconductors, such as  $\text{SrTiO}_3/\text{LaAlO}_3$ , are ideal candidates to observe defects characterized by homotopy invariants of  $S^2 \rightarrow S^2$  maps, in addition to those of  $S^1 \rightarrow S^1$  maps.
- Identification of topological properties of flux-carrying topological defects in mixtures of charged condensates that have different (commensurate) electric charges [5]. Such situation is expected to appear for example in liquid metallic deuterium.
- Prediction of experimental signatures of domain wall structures in superconductors with broken time-reversal symmetry originating in *s+is* gap structure [6]. This could apply in particular to  $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$  at certain doping. We discuss experimental set-ups to stabilize domain walls and measure their influence on the magnetization processes.
- Discovery of stable vortons within Witten model [8]. These are vortex loops stabilize against collapse by permanent currents along the vortex line. These objects potentially apply to various condensed matter physics systems but also to early universe cosmology or high density QCD.
- Prediction of a new phase in  $U(1) \times U(1)$  superconductors with interspecies dissipationless drag [7]. The dissipationless current interaction renders vortices unstable in favour of skyrmions whose long-range interaction substantially modifies magnetization processes.
- Explanation of vortex coalescence in  $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$  [10]. We argued that observed vortex coalescence in  $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$  can be explained by non-monotonic interactions originating in multiband nature of  $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$ .

These predictions received recently strong experimental support from  $\mu$ SR measurements in [Phys. Rev. B 89, 094504 \(2014\)](#).

- Prediction of skyrmionic state in chiral  $p$ -wave superconductors [11].
- Discovery of new kind of stable topological solitons in three-component superconductors with spontaneously Broken Time-Reversal Symmetry [14, 9]. These flux carrying topological defects, characterized by  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  topological invariants are skyrmions. Their formation could signal BTRS, for example in some iron based superconductors, as well as in Josephson-coupled bi-layers of  $s_{\pm}$  and ordinary  $s$ -wave superconductor.
- Findings of a new kind of collective mode in three-band superconductors with broken time reversal symmetry [13]. This collective mode is associated with mixed phase-density collective excitations. Thus it is different from the Legget's mode.
- Finding new kind of multibody intervortex forces in multiband superconductors [15].

## Details of academic works

### Ph.D. thesis – Defended September 29, 2010

- Title *Superconducting vortices in Weinberg–Salam theory*
- Supervisor Professor M. S. Volkov
- Referees Prof. C. Bachas, Prof. M. Shaposhnikov, Prof. P. Sutcliffe.
- Jury Prof. C. Bachas, Dr. M. Chernodub, Dr. P. Grandclément, Prof. A. Niemi,  
Prof. M. Shaposhnikov, Prof. M. S. Volkov.
- Abstract This dissertation provides a detailed analysis and a subsequent discussion of the stability properties of new vortex-like solutions of the bosonic sector of the electroweak theory. The new solutions are current carrying generalizations of embedded Abrikosov–Nielsen–Olesen vortices. Such vortices carry an electric current whose typical scale is the *billion* of Ampères.
- <http://tel.archives-ouvertes.fr/tel-00544753/fr/> (in French)

### Master thesis – Defended June 26, 2006

- Title *Spinning magnetic monopoles*
- Supervisor Professor M. S. Volkov
- Abstract This dissertation discuss the possibility to construct generalizations of the 't Hooft–Polyakov magnetic monopole, in Yang–Mills–Higgs theory. Static axially symmetric deformations are considered.