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I work on magnetic geophysical exploration techniques applied to archaeology and national heritage. I completed my PhD in Grenoble (France) on innovative superconducting optoelectronics for astrophysics, after which I chose to explore new horizons. I like working in projects involving several fields of expertise and bridge gaps to create new perspectives. I am particularly motivated by challenges requiring a high sense of initiative and adaptability. I have also invested myself in various associations and foundations, cultural and humanitarian, as I consider important to keep an open vision and be active on multiple levels.

CURRENT RESEARCH

Topic

Magnetic geophysical exploration for National Heritage: instrumentation and data analysis schemes

Methodology

- Remote sensing devices for archaeology
- Exploration geophysics
- Inverse problems
- Optimization problems
- Tensor analysis

After review of remote sensing devices and data analysis schemes, I develop innovative instrument concepts and algorithms.

Application

Near surface exploration geophysics: archaeological prospecting (ground and maritime), identification of sites of interest.

Possible applications in soil analysis for agronomy, or general geophysical prospecting (minerals...).

UKZN Publications

Past Researches

Applied physics between nanoelectronics, integrated optics and cryogenics; Worldwide 1st superconducting optoelectronical device, demonstration of light interference in-situ detection.

- "Light Interference Detection On-chip by Integrated SNSPD Counters": **P. Cavalier**, J.-C. Villegier, C. Constancias, P. Feautrier and A. Morand, *AIP Advances*, vol.1, 2011.
- "SWIFTS Waveguide Micro-Spectrometer Integrated on Top of a 1D-NbN SNSPD Array": **P. Cavalier**, C. Constancias, P. Feautrier, L. Maingault, A. Morand and J.-C. Villegier, *IEEE TAS*, vol. 21, 2011.

Future Interests

Research in interdisciplinary projects, Academia Consultancy, Participation in Research organization

Extra Interests

Sports (football, capoeira, boxing), Argentine Tango, Travels, Associative action