

## Annual Report 2024

### PHOTONICS RESEARCH LABORATORY



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# 1 Executive Summary

## 1.1 Activities of the research group

### 1.1.1 Organization

|                                                  |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Regular Members</b>                           | <b>5</b>  |
| <b>Adjunct Member</b>                            | <b>1</b>  |
| <b>Student Members</b>                           | <b>44</b> |
| <i><u>Doctor of Philosophy students (10)</u></i> |           |
| Physics                                          | 8         |
| Material Science and Engineering                 | 2         |
| <i><u>Master of Science students (9)</u></i>     |           |
| Physics                                          | 5         |
| Material Science and Engineering                 | 4         |
| <i><u>Bachelor of Science students (16)</u></i>  |           |
| Applied Physics                                  | 11        |
| Physics                                          | 5         |
| <i><u>Apprentices (9)</u></i>                    |           |
| BS Applied Physics                               | 5         |
| BS Physics                                       | 4         |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | <b>50</b> |

### 1.1.2 Mentoring

|                    | Number of Graduates |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| PhD Physics        | 1                   |
| MS Physics         | 1                   |
| BS Applied Physics | 3                   |
| BS Physics         | 6                   |
| Total              | 11                  |

## 1.2 Research highlights

|                                                                        |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Publications in ISI/SCI and Scopus indexed journals                    | 7  |
| Publication in local peer-reviewed journals                            | 1  |
| International conference presentations with full papers                | 2  |
| International conference presentations without full papers             | 1  |
| International conference presentations with full papers (locally held) | 33 |
| Chapter in books                                                       | 0  |
| Patents                                                                | 0  |
| NIP funded projects                                                    | 4  |
| Non-NIP funded projects                                                | 7  |
| Major equipment acquired                                               | 8  |
| Research travels abroad                                                | 2  |
| Visiting researchers                                                   | 0  |
| MOA's entered with local or foreign institutions                       | 0  |

### 1.3 Extension work highlights

|                                               |    |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| Extension work activities                     | 18 |
| Research interns/OJT for training held at NIP | 6  |

### 1.4 Main challenges encountered and proposed solutions

### 1.5 Awards or accreditations received/ positions of responsibility held and other accomplishments

|                                                                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| National awards or accreditation received, positions of responsibility held       | 0 |
| International awards or accreditations received, positions of responsibility held | 0 |
| Student awards                                                                    | 6 |

## 2 Technical Report

### 2.1 Activities of the research group

- The Photonics Research Laboratory continues to hold weekly group meetings. The three clusters of the laboratory also have separate research meetings every week.
- The group has participated in conferences held internationally and domestically.
- The group helped graduate 1 PhD Physics student.
- The group helped graduate 1 MS Physics student.
- The group helped graduate 6 BS Physics students.
- The group helped graduate 2 BS Applied Physics (Instrumentation) students.

## 2.1.1 Organization

### 2.1.1.1 Group members

#### Regular members (5)

1. Garcia, Wilson O.
2. Almoró, Percival F.
3. Hermosa, Nathaniel II
4. Zosa, Myles Allen H.
5. Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica F.

#### Adjunct member (1)

1. Dasallas, Lean (Material Science and Engineering Program, College of Science)

#### Doctor of Philosophy students

| Physics (8)                          | Years in Program | Cluster | Adviser      | Co-adviser |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------|--------------|------------|
| 1. Baybayon, Roel                    | 3                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa  |            |
| 2. Binamira, Jonel                   | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró   |            |
| 3. Buco, Christian                   | 4                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró   |            |
| 4. Cabanilla, Jayson                 | 6                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa  |            |
| 5. Emperado, Rommil                  | 9                | LSA     | Dr. Garcia   | Dr. Zosa   |
| 6. Miranda, Jessa Jayne              | 7                | LSA     | Dr. Zosa     |            |
| 7. Onglao, Mario III                 | 9                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró   |            |
| 8. Pablico, Dennis Angelo            | 2                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa  |            |
| Material Science and Engineering (2) |                  |         |              |            |
| 1. De Mata, Joy Kristelle            | 5                | LSA     | Dr. Dasallas |            |
| 2. Sagisi, Jenny Lou                 | 8                | LSA     | Dr. Dasallas |            |

#### Master of Science students

| Physics (5)                  | Years in Program | Cluster | Adviser     |
|------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------|
| 1. Badlisan, Marsden         | 3                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa |
| 2. Grefal, Jesse Rudyll      | 2                | LSA     | Dr. Zosa    |
| 3. Ignacio, Emmanuel John    | 1                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa |
| 4. Logarta, Arrianne Norfela | 1                | LSA     | Dr. Zosa    |

|                                      |                  |         |              |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------|--------------|
| 5. Quimpo, Evangelos                 | 1                | LSA     | Dr. Zosa     |
| Material Science and Engineering (4) | Years in Program | Cluster | Adviser      |
| 1. Carillo, Patricia Mae             | 2                | LSA     | Dr. Dasallas |
| 2. Nagal, Danell Jeune               | 2                | LSA     | Dr. Dasallas |
| 3. Operaña, Jared Joshua             | 5                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa  |
| 4. Valdeavilla, Charlyn              | 1                | LSA     | Dr. Dasallas |

#### Bachelor of Science students

|                               |                  |         |             |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---------|-------------|
| Applied Physics (11)          | Years in Program | Cluster | Adviser     |
| 1. Aclan, Nicole              | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 2. Alipio, Miguel Lorenzo     | 5                | LSA     | Dr. Garcia  |
| 3. Armonio, Nathan            | 4                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 4. Borjel, Rusher             | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 5. Casupang, John Christian   | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 6. Clemente, Lance Veyonce    | 4                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 7. David, Justin Matthew      | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 8. Dumas, Danielle Louis      | 4                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 9. Reyes, Arianne             | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |
| 10. Villanueva, Luisito       | 5                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa |
| 11. Quiamjot, Allyn Christian | 4                | LSA     | Dr. Garcia  |
| Physics (5)                   |                  |         |             |
| 1. Estacio, Damien            | 4                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa |
| 2. Fernando, Aira Joie        | 4                | LSA     | Dr. Zosa    |
| 3. Leonor, Clara Patricia     | 5                | LSA     | Dr. Garcia  |
| 4. Mendoza, Maria Isabella    | 5                | SLA     | Dr. Hermosa |
| 5. Utsumi, Yoshi              | 5                | HCM     | Dr. Almoró  |

*\*Research Clusters:*

**HCM** (Holography and Coherent Metrology), **SLA** (Structured Light and Applications), and **LSA** (Laser Systems and Applications)

## Apprentices

| BS Applied Physics (5)       | Years in Program |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Cruz, Vanessa Angela      | 2                |
| 2. Ibay, Dominic Job         | 3                |
| 3. Pangilinan, Benedict      | 2                |
| 4. Romeo, Kal-El             | 2                |
| 5. Salenga, Rajah            | 2                |
| BS Physics (4)               |                  |
| 1. Ebron, Mark David         | 3                |
| 2. Obeña, Emmanuel Christian | 3                |
| 3. Sy, Ethan Lorenz          | 2                |
| 4. Tagapulot, Nathaniel Dave | 2                |

## 2.1.2 Mentoring

### 2.1.2.1 List of Graduates (11)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2023-2024 (5)

1. **Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica F.** (Ph.D. Physics)  
“Structured Light: Generation, Detection, and Application”  
(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa II, Ph.D.)
2. **Ambrosio, Benjamin Jose C.** (BS Applied Physics – Instrumentation, *Cum Laude*)  
“Locating the Sun Using a DIY Radial Polarizer”  
(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa II, Ph.D.)
3. **Buensuceso, Cedie E.** (BS Applied Physics – Instrumentation, *Magna Cum Laude*)  
“Gas Leak Detection Using DC Glow Discharge”  
(Adviser: Wilson O. Garcia, Ph.D.)
4. **Cabalar, Vincent A.** (BS Physics)  
“Simulation of Pulsed Laser Deposition on Eclipsed Substrate by DSMC Using Sparta”  
(Adviser: Wilson O. Garcia, Ph.D.)
5. **Cuadra, Marco L.** (BS Physics, *Magna Cum Laude*)  
“Faster Convergence in Multiple-Plane Phase Retrieval Using Particle Swarm

Optimization”

(Adviser: Percival F. Almoró, Ph.D.)

2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2023-2024 (5)

1. **Manuel, Maria Janelle G.** (MS Physics)  
“Spiral Spectrum of Starlight”  
(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa, Ph.D.)
2. **Ignacio, Emmanuel John E.** (BS Physics, *Summa Cum Laude*)  
“Engineering Polarization Singularities with Multiple-Pinhole Diffraction”  
(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa II, Ph.D.)
3. **Logarta, Arrienne Norfela A.** (BS Physics, *Magna Cum Laude*)  
“ $\Theta$ -Pinch Mechanism in Paisley Targets Using Relativistic Femtosecond Lasers  
Via Epoch Particle-in-Cell Code Simulation”  
(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)
4. **Loot, Angela Joyce T.** (BS Physics)  
“Simulating Coulomb Explosion Using Python-Fortran Hybrid Program”  
(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)
5. **Quimpo, Evangelhos D.** (BS Physics, *Magna Cum Laude*)  
“Micro-Pillar Surface Orientation and Its Effects on Proton Beams Generated Via  
Target Normal Sheath Acceleration”  
(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)

Midyear 2024 (1)

1. **Abenojar, Joshua** (BS Applied Physics)  
“Enhanced Single-Beam Multiple-Plane Reconstruction using Fresnel Impulse  
Response Propagation”  
(Adviser: Percival F. Almoró, Ph.D.)



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| BS Physics         | 6                   |
| Total              | 11                  |

## 2.2 Research highlights

### 2.2.1 Publications in ISI/SCI and Scopus indexed journals (7)

1. A. Tuico, J. P. Ferrolino, N. I. Cabello, I. C. Verona, **W. Garcia**, A. Salvador, H. Bardolaza, E. Estacio, and A. De Los Reyes, Polarization characteristics of Ni/Pt-based spintronic terahertz emitters based on spin electron dynamics, Jpn. J. Appl. Phys. 63, 062005 (2024). doi:10.35848/1347-4065/ad52d9
2. D. G. C. Banguilan and **N. Hermosa**, The use of a vortex beam to determine the limit of a digital micromirror device as an aperture, Optics & Laser Technology 179, 111250 (2024). doi:10.1016/j.optlastec.2024.111250
3. D. G. C. Banguilan and **N. Hermosa**, Vortex position detection using a scanning triangular aperture in a digital micromirror device, J. Opt. 26, 065602 (2024). doi:10.1088/2040-8986/ad3b16
4. **J. K. De Mata**, M. Valenzona, A. Lacaba, **W. Garcia**, and **L. Dasallas**, Low energy femtosecond pulsed laser ablation of Nd:YAG laser crystal in high-pressure oxygen and nitrogen background gas, Jpn. J. Appl. Phys. 63, 055503 (2024). doi:10.35848/1347-4065/ad3c01
5. **J. L. B. Sagisi**, **W. O. Garcia**, and **L. L. Dasallas**, Modification of the temporal laser source term in two-temperature model, Numerical Heat Transfer, Part A: Applications 1 (2024). doi:10.1080/10407782.2024.2350687
6. **J. L. Sagisi**, M. R. Casero, A. L. Floro, M. C. Salvador, R. Dizon, **W. Garcia**, and **L. Dasallas**, Modelling thermal energy transfer in a femtosecond pulsed laser ablation of metal using a coupled spring-mass oscillator, Phys. Scr. 99, 046101 (2024).

doi:10.1088/1402-4896/ad2f90

7. **M. J. S. Onglao** and **P. F. Almoró**, Accelerated phase retrieval using adaptive support and statistical fringe processing of phase estimates, *Opt. Lett.* 49, 3158 (2024).

doi:10.1364/OL.522321.

### 2.2.2 Publication in local peer-reviewed journals (1)

1. MM Rosete, **MAH Zosa** and RV Sarmago, Effect of Cold-bath Quenching on Electrophoretically Deposited  $\text{Bi}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CaCu}_2\text{O}_8$  Films with Various Supporting Electrolytes, *Philippine Engineering Journal* 45, 02 (2024).

### 2.2.3 International conference presentations with full papers (2)

2. **J. F. Binamira** and **P. F. Almoró**, Removal of local phase errors in conventional speckle phase retrieval using random phase patch perturbation method, *Speckle 2023: VIII International Conference on Speckle Metrology* 77 (2024).  
doi:10.1117/12.3022655
3. **P. F. Almoró** and **C. R. L. Bucó**, Noise-robust phase compensation using principal component analysis with guided parameter adjustment, *Speckle 2023: VIII International Conference on Speckle Metrology* 69 (2024). doi:10.1117/12.3021808

### 2.2.4 International conference presentations without full papers (1)

1. **J.J.C. Miranda**, M. Murakami, **M.A.H. Zosa** and **W.O. Garcia**, “Magnetic field amplification in layered hollow cylindrical target” *Optics and Photonics International Congress (OPIC) 2024 – International Conference on High Energy Density Science (HEDS) 2024*, April 22-26, 2024, Yokohama, Japan. (Poster presentation)

### 2.2.5 International conference presentations with full papers (locally held) (33)

1. **ACI Quiamjot**, **MLM Alipio**, **LL Dasallas**, **MAH Zosa**, and **WO Garcia**, Radiographic imaging of aluminum objects at varying distances using Americium-241 decay, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas* 42, SPP-2024-PD-24 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-24>.

2. **AJM Fernando** and **MAH Zosa**, Electron distribution model in bilayered finite spherical plasmas, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-01 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-01>.
3. **ANA Logarta** and **MAH Zosa**, Demonstration of the  $\theta$ -pinch effect on double paisley targets using relativistic femtosecond lasers, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-3C-03 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-3C-03>.
4. **CE Buensuceso**, **JKC De Mata**, **LL Dasallas**, and **WO Garcia**, Gas leak detection using DC glow discharge, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-06 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-06>.
5. **CJC Andres**, **FR Gile**, **CYC Seki**, **RG Dizon**, **JKC de Mata**, **WO Garcia**, and **LL Dasallas**, Numerical study on the effects of directionality of argon background gas in the propagation of pulsed laser ablated materials, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-25 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-25>.
6. **CPP Leonor**, **JJC Miranda**, and **WO Garcia**, Viability of smartphone spectroscopy as an alternative for UV-Vis spectroscopy experiments, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PF-10 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PF-10>.
7. **CRL Bucu** and **PF Almoro**, Virtual wave propagation using a digital micro-mirror device with diamond pixel configuration, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-12 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-12>.
8. **DAL Pablico**, **NAZ Simon**, and **NP Hermosa**, Using light-dependent resistors to detect rotation of petal beams, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-23 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-23>.
9. **DMM Estacio**, **NZ Simon**, and **NP Hermosa**, Radon transform in OAM interference for sub wavelength displacement measurement, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-20 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-20>.

10. **ED Quimpo** and **MAH Zosa**, Micro-pillar surface orientation and its effect on laser-accelerated proton beam quality, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-2D-04 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-2D-04>.
11. **EJE Ignacio** and **NP Hermosa**, Generation of C-point and L-line polarization singularities with a 3-pinhole diffraction setup, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-09 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-09>.
12. **FMR Tortoza**, **N Simon**, **N Hermosa**, and **RC Simon**, Determining the slit dimensions of a double-slit aperture through measuring laser diffraction intensity with a light-dependent resistor, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-07 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-07>.
13. **JF Binamira** and **PF Almoró**, Accelerated unordered propagation phase retrieval using grid-like pattern as initial guess phase, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-05 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-05>.
14. **JJC Miranda** and **MAH Zosa**, Effects of laser polarization on magnetic field time evolution in gold-coated hollow cylindrical hydrogen targets, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-3C-01 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-3C-01>.
15. **JM Abenojar** and **PF Almoró**, Accelerated multiple plane phase retrieval using impulse response propagation method, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PF-19 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PF-19>.
16. **JP Cabanilla** and **NP Hermosa**, Beam waist dependence in mode projection of Hermite-Gaussian beams, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-21 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-21>.
17. **JRB Grefal** and **MAH Zosa**, Polarization effects on magnetic fields generated via relativistic laser interactions with escargot targets, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-11 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-11>.

- online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-11.
18. J Tuanquin, HR Bardolaza, **NP Hermosa**, AA Salvador, ICM Verona, and ES Estacio, Experimental demonstration of a Michelson interferometer involving far-infrared broadband ultrashort light pulses, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-22 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-22>.
  19. K Alaba, HR Bardolaza, **NP Hermosa**, and ES Estacio, Simulation of terahertz pulse with orbital angular momentum induced using spiral phase plate, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-08 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-08>.
  20. KC Agustin, PKC Emano, JL Lopez, ID Pelaez, GA Punay, **RN Baybayon**, and MMS Villamayor, Design and operation of an acrylic chamber feather in a vacuum experiment, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PF-16 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PF-16>.
  21. KJ Fernandez, RC Simon, HR Bardolaza, **JKC De Mata**, JDE Vasquez, R Andig, JMSC Arcilla, ICM Verona, AS Somintac, AA Salvador, ES Estacio, and CS Salang, Terahertz emission from AlN/Si-GaAs heterostructure investigated using transmission-geometry terahertz time-domain spectroscopy, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-1B-05 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-1B-05>.
  22. KMD Carnaje, RAT Ramos, AJA Tadea, CJ Ayala, and **LL Dasallas**, Assessment of low-cost alternative charcoal-based furnace in fabricating silicon carbide (SiC) nanostructures, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PA-16 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PA-16>.
  23. **LL Villanueva**, **NZ Simon**, and **NP Hermosa**, Polarization lattice from the superposition of two triangular optical lattices with opposite orientations, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-13 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-13>.
  24. **MIM Mendoza**, **N Hermosa**, and **N Zambale Simon**, Gaussian component of beams with fractional topological charge, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-2C-04 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-2C-04>.

25. MJG Manuel and **NP Hermosa**, Limits of vortex fiber nulling, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-19 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-19>.
26. **MJS Onglao** and **PF Almor**, Performance of multiple-plane phase retrieval using intensity patterns at various regions near the image plane, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PF-17 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PF-17>.
27. **NZ Simon**, **MI Mendoza**, and **N Hermosa**, Vortex beams from incomplete holograms and phases, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-17 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-17>.
28. **RB Emperado**, **MAH Zosa**, **LL Dasallas**, and **WO Garcia**, Kinetic modeling of plume-shockwave interactions during laser-produced plasma expansion in background gas, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-3C-02 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-3C-02>.
29. **RB Emperado**, VA Cabalar, **LL Dasallas**, and **WO Garcia**, Direct simulation Monte Carlo modeling of eclipsed pulsed laser deposition using grid mesh-type masks, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PA-17 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PA-17>.
30. **RN Baybayon**, LJT Baldonado, **MI Badlisan**, and **NP Hermosa**, Statistical properties of a laser pointer speckle field at different propagating distances, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-14 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-14>.
31. **RN Baybayon** and **NP Hermosa**, White noise analysis of a speckle field with optical memory effect, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas 42*, SPP-2024-PD-18 (2024). URL: <https://proceedings.spp-online.org/article/view/SPP-2024-PD-18>.
32. JP Ferrolino , **JK De Mata**, EC Casalme, R Andig, C De Luna, MA Tumanguil, and A Salvador, Growth of c-axis oriented aluminium nitride with Al buffer layer via RF magnetron sputtering at low RF power and room temperature, *Proceedings of the Samahang Pisika ng Visayas at Mindanao (2024)*.
33. GC Carillo, **JK De Mata**, JP Ferrolino, and A Salvador, Effects of etch stop layer thickness on the performance of piezo electric micromachined ultrasonic transducers simulated via finite element modelling, *Proceedings of the Samahang*

*Pisika ng Visayas at Mindanao (2024).*

**2.2.6 Chapter in books (0)**

**2.2.7 Patents (0)**

**2.2.8 NIP funded projects (4)**

**Almoro, Percival F.**

“Enhanced Phase Retrieval Using a Metaheuristic Algorithm”

Period: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Funding Source: NIP/ UP Diliman

Amount: ₱105,600.00

**Garcia, Wilson O.**

“Computer Modeling and Simulation of the Eclipsed PLD Method”

Period: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Funding Source: NIP/ UP Diliman

Amount: ₱105,600.00

**Hermosa, Nathaniel P. II**

“Fundamental Limit Vortex Fiber Nulling for Exoplanet Observation”

Period: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Funding Source: NIP/ UP Diliman

Amount: ₱105,600.00

**Zosa, Myles Allen H.**

“Relativistic laser-plasma interactions in microscale targets”

Period: January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024

Funding Source: NIP/ UP Diliman

Amount: ₱79,200.00

### 2.2.9 Non-NIP funded projects (7)

#### **Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica F.**

“Structured light: generation, detection and application”

Period: September 01, 2023 to May 31, 2024

Funding Source: UP OVCRD

Amount: ₱60,000.00

#### **Miranda, Jessa Jayne**

“Microbubble implosion in structured targets”

Period: September 09, 2024 to September 08, 2025

Funding Source: UP OVCRD

Amount: ₱100,000.00

#### **Emperado, Rommil**

“Direct simulation Monte Carlo modelling of laser-produced plasma: expansion, instabilities, and deposition”

Period: September 10, 2024 to September 9, 2025

Funding Source: UP OVCRD

Amount: ₱100,000.00

#### **Dasallas, Lean L.**

PhD Incentive award Y2

“Investigating the effects of background gas in the properties of thin film produced by pulsed laser deposition (Y2)”

Period: February 05, 2024 to February 04, 2025

Amount: ₱300,000.00

#### **Garcia, Wilson O.**

“Computational modelling via direct simulation Monte Carlo method of laser ablation and plasma expansion in relation to the deposited film characteristics on a substrate”

Period: May 02, 2023 to May 01, 2024

Funding Source: DOST PCIEERD



Amount: ₱780,440.00

**Hermosa, Nathaniel II P.**

“Quantifying Loss of Information with Spatial Mode Projection and Stokes Polarimetry and Blocked Self-healing Optical Beams with Nonfactorable Polarization States and Spatial Mode Components”

Period: October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2026

Funding Source: NRCF

Amount: ₱2,465,463.93

**Zosa, Myles Allen H.**

“Megatesla magnetic field generation”

Period: April 17, 2023 to April 16, 2025

Funding Source: UP OVPAA

Amount: ₱2,500,000.00

**2.2.10 Major equipment acquired (8)**

5x High-performance computers (16 cores, 32 GB RAM each)

2x High-performance computers (64 cores, 512 GB RAM each)

1x 0.75 mJ Fiber laser (MFP-30X) (1064 nm)

**2.2.11 Research travels abroad (2)**

**J. Binamira, R. Baybayon and R. Emperado**

“Summer School on Lasers and Laser Applications 2024 (SSOLLA 2024)”

Advanced Photonics Research Institute, Gwangju Institute of Science & Technology,  
Gwangju, South Korea.

Period: July 15, 2024 – July 19, 2024

**Zosa, Myles Allen H.**

Collaborative research visit with Prof. Masakatsu Murakami

Osaka University, Japan

Period: August 3, 2024 – August 17, 2024

#### **2.2.12 Visiting researchers (0)**

#### **2.2.13 MOA's entered with local or foreign institutions (0)**

### **2.3 Extension work highlights (1)**

**Hermosa, Nathaniel II**

Speaker

The 10th HugNayan: Space Science Fora

Philippine Space Agency

March 20, 2024

#### **2.3.1 Extension work activities (18)**

**Almoro, Pervical (2)**

- Section Editor of Optik
- Guest Editor, Optical Engineering Special Section: Lensless Imaging in Optical Metrology Optical Engineering, Vol. 63, Issue 11, 111801 (November 2024)

**Binamira, Jonel (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Buco, Christian (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Cabanilla, Jayson (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Dasallas, Lean (1)**

- Topical Editor 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**De Mata, Joy (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Emperado, Rommil (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Hermosa, Nathaniel II (6)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas
- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas
- Reviewer, Journal of the Optical Society of America A
- Reviewer, Optics & Laser Technology
- Reviewer, Optics Letters
- Reviewer, Optics Communications

**Miranda, Jessa Jayne (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Onglao, Mario (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

**Zosa, Myles Allen (1)**

- Reviewer, 42<sup>nd</sup> Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas

### **2.3.2 Research interns/OJT's (6)**

**Baldonado, Leslie Joy**

UNP (University of Northern Philippines)

Date: April 03, 2024 to May 31, 2024 **(480 hours)**

(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa II, Ph.D.)

**Bernados, Franklyn Ortiz**

MSU (Mindanao State University) - Marawi

Date: June 18, 2024 to July 31, 2024 **(240 hours)**

(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)

**Daque, Jhoana Jean Ibabao**

MSU (Mindanao State University) - Marawi

Date: June 18, 2024 to July 31, 2024 **(240 hours)**

(Adviser: Nathaniel P. Hermosa II, Ph.D.)

**Legaspi, Rafael Yrjosmiel U.**

MAPUA University

Date: March 4, 2024 to May 07, 2024 **(240 hours)**

(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)

**Magtolis, May Ann Sacmar**

MSU (Mindanao State University) - Marawi

Date: June 18, 2024 to July 31, 2024 **(240 hours)**

(Adviser: Myles Allen H. Zosa, Ph.D.)

**Rangaig, Aina Azis**

MSU (Mindanao State University) - Marawi

Date: June 18, 2024 to July 31, 2024 **(240 hours)**

(Adviser: Percival F. Almor, Ph.D.)

### **2.3.3 Extension Projects (1)**

**Hermosa, Nathaniel II**

“Establishment of an Optics Teaching Laboratory at the University of the Northern Philippines”

Period: August 1, 2024 to July 31, 2025

Amount: ₱150,000.00

## **2.4 Main challenges encountered and proposed solutions**

Due to the more restrictive overleaf policies involving collaborative editing, we plan on having an overleaf and file server.

## **2.5 Awards or accreditations received/positions of responsibility held and other accomplishments**

### **2.5.1 Student Awards (6)**

**Ambrosio, Benjamin Jose C.**

Best Thesis

BS Applied Physics

**Baybayon, Roel**

Best Poster GSRC 2024

**Nagal, Danell Jeune**

Best Poster GSRC 2024

**Manuel, Maria Janelle G.**

Most Outstanding M.S. Student

National Institute of Physics

**Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica F.**

Most Outstanding Ph.D. Student

College of Science and National Institute of Physics

**Zambale-Simon, Niña Angelica F., Mendoza, Maria Isabella, Hermosa, Nathaniel II P.,**

Best Poster

Samahang Pisika ng Pilipinas Conference 2024

### 3 Appendices

#### 3.1 Photos



Photonics Group, NIP UP Diliman, February 26, 2024