# Dr David Wardrope



I am a data scientist with thirteen years of experience of advanced statistical analysis, machine learning, algorithm creation and software development. I have worked with one of Europe's largest online retailers to apply these techniques to commercial challenges. I am a proven problem-solver and team-leader, who can communicate with diverse audiences.

### EXPERIENCE

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### Visitina Fellow

ASOS AI, UK

Applying the latest machine learning techniques to answer real-world business questions, while carrying out research to further advance the field.

#### **Machine Learning**

Developing the first large-scale recommender system that uses hyperbolic geometry, which has been shown to better represent complex networks and hierarchically-structured data. Reductions in latency and improved product recommendations will increase customer satisfaction and sales.

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### Research Scientist

University College London, UK

Performing innovative particle physics research with petabyte-scale datasets from CERN's Large Hadron Collider.

#### **Data Analysis and Modelling**

Used advanced analytical and machine learning techniques to detect rare processes in large, complex datasets. Developed novel modelling techniques to obtain groundbreaking results.

#### Leadership

Managed a team of 30 scientists: defined research goals and priorities, administered resources, and monitored progress. Our results were 2x better than our competitors' and published 50% more frequently.

#### Communication

Interacted with other leaders and teams to coordinate research. Reported results at major international conferences with hundreds of participants. Published 13 scientific papers in prestigious journals.

#### **Informing Decision Making**

Performed and presented analyses to inform high-level strategic decision making, including a 300 MChf experiment upgrade project and the European master plan for particle physics over the next 20 years.

### 11/09 - 12/10 Research Scientist

Imperial College London, UK and CERN

Commissioning and early analysis of data from the Large Hadron Collider.

#### **Time-Critical Analysis**

Carried out non-routine, end-to-end analysis including data gathering, simulation and visualization to identify problems in data and ensure successful early experimental runs.

### **Algorithm Design**

Optimized pattern recognition algorithms for particle reconstruction, working closely with others to improve performance for end-users.

## **EDUCATION & SKILLS**

2005 - 2009 Ph.D. in Particle Physics

Imperial College London, UK and CERN

2001 - 2005 MSci (First Class Honours) Physics

Imperial College London

**LANGUAGES:** English, native speaker. German, Goethe B2 Zertifikat (90/100).













