# Carlos Alberto Gomez Gonzalez

Research chair in Data Science for Earth, Space and Environmental Sciences

# Personal details

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# Education

PhD in Computer Vision and Astrophysics STAR and Montefiore Institutes, Université de Liège, Belgium	2013-2017
MSc in Astrophysics Universidad Autónoma de Madrid and Universidad Complutense, Spain	2012-2013
Specialization in Software Development Universidad del Magdalena, Colombia	2011-2012
BSc in Astronomy and Astrophysics VV Sobolev Astronomical Institute, St. Petersburg State University, Russia	2002-2007

# **Experience**

Research chair in Data Science Grenoble Alpes Data Institute, Université Grenoble Alpes, France	2017-Present
Data science consultant Science to Data Science program, Pivigo Ltd	March 2017
<b>Technician in Geographic Information Systems</b> IGAC – Agustín Codazzi Geographical Institute, Santa Marta, Colombia	2011-2012
Scientific assistant at Planetarium of Medelliín Planetarium "Jesus Emilio Ramírez González", Medellín, Colombia	2009-2010
Junior researcher and lecturer for introductory Physics Technological University ITM, Medellín, Colombia	2009-2010

# **Honors and awards**

Grant for project "Exoplanet direct imaging meets Al" (14 k€) Grenoble Alpes Data Institute	2018-2019
1st Prize at the Phi-week startup bootcamp as part of the team "Amigrow" European Space Agency, Earth Observation Phi-Week	November 2018
PhD Scholarship under ARC grant for Concerted Research Action Université de Liège, Belgium	2013-2017
Scholarships for studies in Astrophysics ICETEX (Colombia) and CSIC International Campus of Excellence (Spain)	2001-2013

# **Outreach and mentoring**

2018	Mentor for a Software Carpentry workshop at the Université Grenoble Alpes
2018	Co-organizer of the Python for science and data analysis in Grenoble group
2016, 2018	Co-supervisor of two master theses on image processing
2009	Public outreach at the Planetarium of Medellín, Colombia

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## Skills

#### Data analysis and machine learning:

- Statistics, Monte Carlo methods, data cleansing, feature selection and problem formulation.
- Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing and Deep Learning (artificial neural networks).
- Machine Learning: supervised (regression and classification) and unsupervised (clustering, density estimation, dimensionality reduction and low-rank modeling).

### Scientific computing and software development:

- More than 5 years of experience with Python.
- Experience in open-source development and version control with Git (GitHub, BitBucket, GitLab) in team/distributed scenarios.
  - Author and lead developer of the open-source VIP Python package for astronomical highcontrast imaging. GitHub repository.
  - Author of the SODINN Python package for machine/deep learning applied to astronomical high-contrast imaging. GitHub repository.
  - Contributor to open-source scientific packages/projects. See my GitHub profile.
- Documentation and tutorials generation with Sphinx, readthedocs and Jupyter notebooks.
- Continuous integration with Travis CI and automated testing with pytest.
- Large experience with Python scientific libraries: Numpy, Scipy, Pandas, Jupyter, Astropy, Scikitimage, OpenCV, emcee, Dask, Matplotlib, Bokeh and Seaborn.
- Experience with ML/DL libraries: Scikit-learn, H2O, Keras, Tensorflow, Pytorch and Cupy.
- Experience with NLP libraries: NLTK and Spacy.
- Experience with GIS platforms: ArcGIS and QGIS.
- Large experience with bash (Unix-based systems) and LATEX.
- Basic knowledge of SQL, C, Fortran, Java, Octave/Matlab, R and HTML.

### Languages

Spanish Native

English Advanced reading (C1) and speaking (C1), upper-intermediate writing (B2)
Russian Advanced reading (C1), intermediate speaking (B1) and writing (B1)
French Intermediate reading (B2), basic speaking (B1) and writing (A2)

## Talks and workshops

Delivered talks at numerous research institutes such as Stanford, Caltech, ETH Zurich, NASA Ames and INRIA. Presented my work at Python-related events such as PyCon Spain and Scipy. Most of my talks are showcased on my personal website and my Speaker deck profile.

#### Selected events:

- ESA Earth Observation Phi-week (November 2018, Italy).
- PRAIRIE Artificial Intelligence Summer School (July 2018, France).
- NUMEDIART Deep Learning workshop (May 2017, Belgium).
- PyData Amsterdam (April 2017, Netherlands) and PyData Berlin (May 2016, Germany).

## **Publications**

Participated in over 20 scientific publications on peer-reviewed high-impact journals. For a complete list see my Google Scholar profile.

#### **Selected works:**

- Gomez Gonzalez, C. A., O. Absil, and M. van Droogenbroeck. *Supervised detection of exoplanets in high-contrast imaging sequences*. Astronomy & Astrophysics, 613:A71, May 2018.
- Gomez Gonzalez, C. A., O. Wertz, O. Absil, et al. *VIP: Vortex Image Processing Package for High-contrast Direct Imaging*. Astronomical Journal, 154:7, July 2017.

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