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## **My research:**

I have been exploring deep policy networks actions uncertainty estimation and failure detection, and long term planning based on latent forward models, which nicely deal with the stochasticity and multimodality of the surrounding environment.

## **My expertise is:**

Communicate abstract and complex concepts in simple terms with the aid of computer graphics.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

The accessibility and democratisation of AI, often obscured by unnecessarily cryptic math.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Pretty things and the creation of aesthetically pleasing pedagogical and informative content.

## **I want to know more about:**

3D animation of mathematical and physical drawings for educational purpose.



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# Ian Cosden

*Manager, HPC Software Engineering and Performance Tuning  
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## My research:

HPC software design, performance, and optimization.  
Academic software/programming support.  
Growing the nascent US-RSE community: <https://us-rse.org>

## My expertise is:

HPC code optimization and performance tuning.  
Parallel Programming.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

How to establish a team of Research Software Engineers (RSE) that can contribute to cutting-edge academic researcher in an meaningful and impactful way.

## I've got my eyes on:

Existing successful cross-disciplinary software collaborations.

## I want to know more about:

What software challenges are others facing?  
What opportunities exist for RSEs in the current and future research community.



# Peter Elmer

*Staff Researcher, Princeton University*

*CERN CMS Experiment Software & Computing R&D*

*Co-Coordinator*

*Executive Director and Lead PI for the Institute for Research and Innovation in Software for High Energy Physics (IRIS-HEP)*

*[Peter.Elmel@cern.ch](mailto:Peter.Elmel@cern.ch)*

## My research:

The CMS Experiment at CERN, as well as the R&D to prepare the software and computing systems required to operate and produce scientific results from the HL-LHC and other HEP experiments in the 2020s.



## My expertise is:

High Energy Physics (HEP) software and computing, large software/computing projects

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Recognizing echo chamber effects in our thinking and organizations, and finding ways to create more dynamic and sustainable research software collaborations to address our challenges.

## I've got my eyes on:

HEP challenges in the 2020s...

## I want to know more about:

Places where HEP problems overlap with the larger research community; ideas and prior experience which show how we might collaborate on those problems.





# Slava Krutelyov

*Research Scientist*  
*Department of Physics UCSD*  
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## My research:

- searches for new physics with disappearing tracks
- parallelization of KF tracking
- novel methods for tracking in HL-LHC.

Understanding interplay between tracking software and tracker detector design.

## My expertise is:

Software for collider events reconstruction at CMS and previously at CDF. Experimental HEP analyses with signatures in the standard model and beyond.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

## I want to know more about:



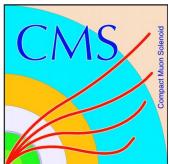


# David Lange

*Research Staff*  
*Department of Physics*  
*Princeton University*  
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## My research:

Software integration, analysis techniques,  
event reconstruction performance optimization,  
CMS experiment and DIANA project



## My expertise is:

- Event generation, detector simulation, event reconstruction techniques in HEP

## A problem I'm grappling with:

- Leveraging scientific python for HEP

## I've got my eyes on:

- The vast, but unknown to expert application developers, resource usage of analysis applications in HEP (or at least CMS)

## I want to know more about:

- Synergies of HEP techniques with academic+industry community developed tools and applications





# Steve Lantz

*Senior Research Associate  
Cornell University Center for Advanced Computing  
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## **My research:**

Computational research in applied physics, high performance computing

## **My expertise is:**

HPC code optimization, parallel programming

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

How to introduce performance-oriented techniques into scientific codes without obscuring the science; how to get researchers to care about code quality and maintainability (software engineering)

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Python, Jupyter, machine learning (so I'm a student here as well as a presenter)

## **I want to know more about:**

Physics - as it seems I spend nearly all my time on technology (willingly enough - I enjoy both)



**Cornell University**  
Center for Advanced Computing



# David Luet

*Linux System Administrator, Software and Programming Analyst*

*Dept. of Geosciences, Research Computing OIT,  
PICSciE.*

*Princeton University  
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## **My research:**

Adapting modern software development techniques used in the IT industry to scientific software development in academia.

## **My expertise is:**

Modern software development techniques:  
Continuous Integration/Continuous Testing,  
Source Code Management, Collaborative Software development, Agile software development.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Convincing Researchers to change the way they develop scientific codes.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Julia: the ease of Matlab with the speed of compiled language. At least that's the promise.

## **I want to know more about:**

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning especially in their applications to science and engineering.



# Sudhir Malik

*Professor of Physics: University of Puerto Rico  
Mayaguez*

## My research:

Experimental Particle Physics, related computing and software, education, outreach

**My expertise is:**  
particle detectors, software

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Know more about Machine Learning

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Application of Machine Learning in high luminosity tracking at the HL-LHC and Data Quality Monitoring of Silicon Tracker

**I want to know more about:**  
Parallel Programming





# Tim Mattson

*Intel labs Senior Principal Engineer and PI of Intel's Science and Technology center at MIT*

## **My research:**

Parallel programming ... both programming languages and parallel design patterns.

Array storage engines, polystore DBMS, and Graph Algorithms (the GraphBLAS).

AI to generate software and to replace key algorithms in data systems (my MIT collaboration)

## **My expertise is:**

All things “parallel computing”; from programming languages and hardware to parallel design patterns. I helped create both OpenMP and OpenCL.

Oh, and kayaking ... I am kayak-surf bum and a professional kayak coach.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Use abstract algebra to unify key-value, SQL, and array query notations and then wrap them around graphs in the language of linear algebra

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Modern C++ as a language for end-user communities to define their own Domain specific languages.

## **I want to know more about:**

Physics is my passion. Computer Science is boring ... It's just a tool to help us understand physics.



**Data Systems for AI  
for Data Systems**





# Jim Pivarski

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*Princeton University*  
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## My research:

- Software tools for end-user physicists
- Interface between HEP software and Big Data/Machine Learning software from industry



## My expertise is:

Physics analysis, Big Data ecosystem, parallelization techniques, programming language design.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Developing columnar analysis tools for physics, such as awkward-array and uproot.

## I've got my eyes on:

The varied ways physicists work; determining what coding styles seem natural to physicists.

## I want to know more about:

High performance computing.



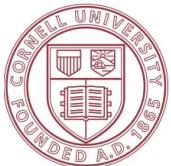


# Dan Riley

*Research Associate, Cornell University*

## **My research:**

Multi-threaded frameworks  
Parallelization and vectorization of HEP event reconstruction software (currently mostly tracking)  
High-availability clusters for experiment control and data acquisition



## **My expertise is:**

C++, threading, reliable communication protocols

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Identifying the bottlenecks in complex vector/parallel code

## **I've got my eyes on:**

How will consumer “AI” applications like self-driving cars change the hardware landscape?

## **I want to know more about:**

Machine learning, quantum computing



# Oksana Shadura

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Nebraska-Lincoln*  
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## My research:

I/O and compression algorithms  
Performance optimisation and profiling  
Build systems

## My expertise is:

I/O and compression algorithms, performance analysis, continuous benchmarking, build systems, adoption of C++ modules in software frameworks.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

ROOT I/O improvements.

## I've got my eyes on:

new generation of analysis tools (columnar analysis tools).

## I want to know more about:

high performance computing & machine learning in HEP.





# Henry Schreiner

*IRIS-HEP team member at Princeton University*  
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## My research:

- Teaching CMake, Python, and other tools
- CNNs for Primary Vertex Reconstruction
- Python bindings for Boost::Histogram
- Conda-Forge package for ROOT
- GPUs for fitting problems
- Python tools for analysis



## My expertise is:

Build systems for C++ and Python, software in HEP analysis, automation, real-time analysis, GPUs & parallel programming, CLI interfaces.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Separating a toy model and a neural network for use with different data sources and experiments.

## I've got my eyes on:

Numba and high-performance Python, JupyterLab, C++ advancements.

## I want to know more about:

Providing sustainable teaching materials for HEP computing.





# Savannah Thais

*Post-doctoral researcher for IRIS-HEP at Princeton*  
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## **My research:**

ML for particle identification online and offline, trigger optimization, and improved analysis design.

## **My expertise is:**

HEP software and its overlap with ML, particularly focused on offline particle ID

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

How to strengthen collaborations and information exchange between scientists and ML researchers (in academia and industry)

## **I've got my eyes on:**

The work OpenAI, AINow, and other groups are doing to ensure equitable and transparent public sector use of ML and AI

## **I want to know more about:**

Parallel computing and ML hardware implementations



# Vassil Vassilev

*PhD in Computing. Consultant at Princeton. ISO CPP member. Author of Cling. Tech evangelist. vvasilev@cern.ch*

## My research:

- [Automatic Differentiation](#);
- Compilers & Interpreters;
- Open, interactive and dynamic visual programming languages;
- Programming language design and implementation and software optimization.

**My expertise is:**  
[C++](#), [Cling](#), [LLVM](#), [Clang](#), [ROOT](#)

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Design and implement first class [C++ Modules](#) support in ROOT. Advance [clad](#) support of hessians.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Building the next generation I/O library based on C++ Modules and Cling supporting declarative programming languages.

**I want to know more about:**  
Tensorflow and Swift



**PRINCETON**  
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**iris  
hep**  
Institute for Research & Innovation  
in Software for High Energy Physics

  
**ROOT**  
Data Analysis Framework



# Bei Wang

*Ph.D. in computational science and engineering  
HPC Software Engineer for IRIS-HEP  
Research Computing/OIT at Princeton University  
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## My research:

- High performance computing
- High order particle-in-cell methods for kinetic equations

## My expertise is:

Code development and optimization on modern computing architectures, such as GPU and Intel Xeon processors. Parallel programming models, MPI, OpenMP etc

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Start learning tracking algorithms and their parallel implementations in HL-LHC

## I've got my eyes on:

Interdisciplinary research software collaborations

## I want to know more about:

High performance python, machine learning



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# Maureen Carothers

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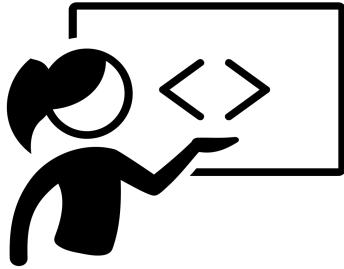
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# Andrea Rubinstein

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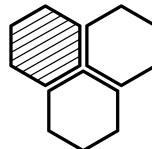
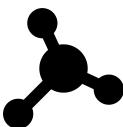
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## A problem I'm grappling with:

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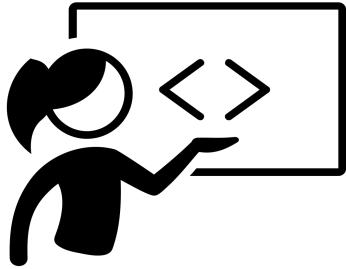
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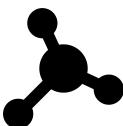
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# Rui An

PhD candidate, Illinois Institute of Technology

## My research:

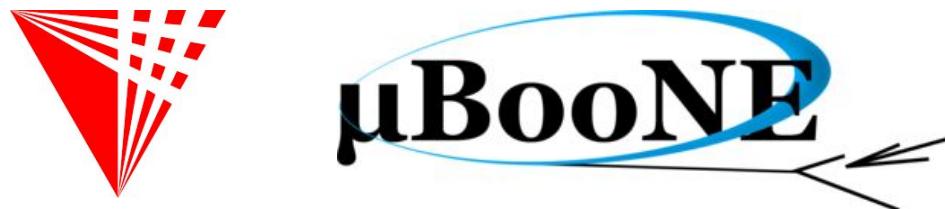
- Apply deep learning tools of CNN, MaskRCNN to MicroBooNE (LArTPC in general).
- Low energy excess observed by MiniBooNE.

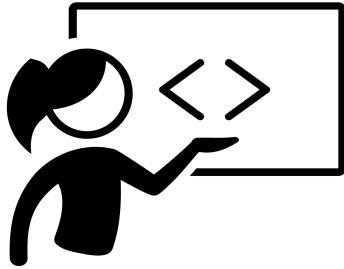
**My expertise is:**  
CNN, Mask RCNN for LArTPC.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Object detection/segmentation for concatenated particles.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Improve Mask RCNN for LArTPC.

**I want to know more about:**  
More about machine learning.



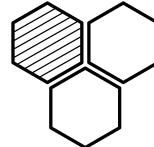
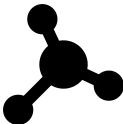


# Justin Anguiano

*Graduate student University of Kansas*  
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## My research:

Electroweak SUSY search with compressed scenarios,  
Electroweak precision measurement at ILD



**My expertise is:**  
HEP Data Analysis

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Trying to build scalable analysis to work in very large datasets

**I've got my eyes on:**  
NN, Scientific Python

**I want to know more about:**  
NN, Scientific Python





# Austin Baty

Postdoctoral researcher, Rice University  
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## My research:

- Study heavy ion collisions with CMS
- Interested in high-density QCD studies in archived data (LEP, HERA, etc.)
- Trying to improve Heavy Ion reconstruction with machine learning



## My expertise is:

- Tracking in high-density (HI) collisions
- Data analysis tools for HI

## A problem I'm grappling with:

- Trying to develop techniques for using neural network classification in heavy ions

## I've got my eyes on:

- New machine learning implementations
  - E.g. Energy Flow Networks

## I want to know more about:

- Parallel/GPU-assisted tracking for high-density collisions





# Jason Bono

*Postdoc, Fermilab*  
*jbono@fnal.gov*

**My research:**  
Precision muon physics

**My expertise is:**

Data analysis  
Hardware  
Mathematical modeling

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Frequency extraction of NMR signals

**I've got my eyes on:**

Using machine learning to improve signal processing

**I want to know more about:**

Machine learning algorithms with continuous output for time series data

 **Fermilab**





# Emma Castiglia

*Graduate Student, Yale University*  
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## My research:

- ATLAS VH, H->tautau Run 2 Analysis
- Tau Energy Scale Calibration

# Yale



## My expertise is:

HEP data analysis in python and ROOT  
BDT and BRT for triggers and signal separation for ATLAS and Mu2e (former work)

## A problem I'm grappling with:

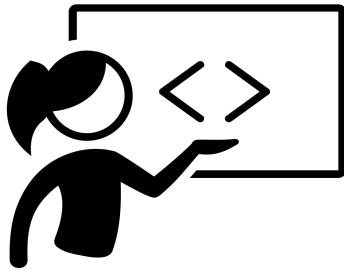
Finding the best format to store and analyze our data in a quick and memory efficient manner

## I've got my eyes on:

Applying ML algorithms to our analysis - optimizing our selection cuts for sig/bkg separation

## I want to know more about:

Reproducibility and Interpretability of ML Algorithms  
Parallel Programming

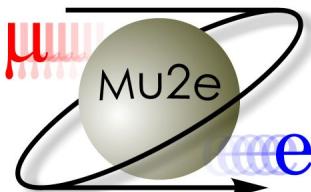


# Kate Ciampa

*Ph.D. Candidate, University of Minnesota*  
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## My research:

- Search for charged lepton flavor violation via neutrinoless muon to electron conversion with the Mu2e experiment
- Mu2e tracker prototyping (past), construction (current), and data analysis (just starting)



## My expertise is:

Detector instrumentation for the electron tracker in the Mu2e experiment; python

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Learning conventional track finding methods and machine learning image classification/segmentation methods

## I've got my eyes on:

Applying a deep convolutional neural network to the problem of finding tracks and classifying particles from images of hits in the Mu2e tracker

## I want to know more about:

Parallel computing; recent breakthrough neural network architectures

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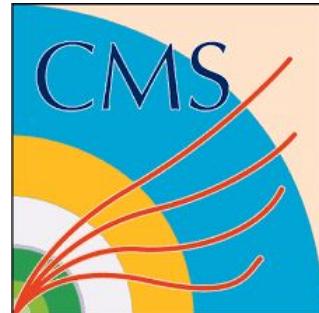


# Steven Clark

*Graduate Student in Physics at Rutgers University*

## **My research:**

Searches for new particles at the CMS detector at CERN. Searching for resonances decaying to 3 and 4 photons using Machine Learning techniques



**My expertise is:**  
Data Analysis in Python and ROOT

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Developing techniques to detect highly merged photons

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Machine Learning for particle physics

**I want to know more about:**  
General Machine Learning, Parallel Computing





# Leonardo Cristella

*Post-doctoral researcher for the CERN CMS experiment  
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## My research:

- Searches for exotic particles at the CMS detector at CERN
- R&D of the software and computing systems for remote CMS data analysis



## My expertise is:

HEP data analysis in Python, ROOT, CUDA.  
Parallel programming and distributed computing.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Signal/background classification with ML techniques.

## I've got my eyes on:

FPGA, GO, cross-disciplinary software collaborations.

## I want to know more about:

General Machine Learning, software-hardware relevant relation for parallel computing





# Pratyush (Reik) Das

*IRIS-HEP Fellow at Fermilab's LPC  
Undergraduate at Institute of Engineering &  
Management, Kolkata*

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**My research:**  
Reimplementing ROOT I/O in pure python.



**My expertise is:**  
Software development for High Energy Physics.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Modularity of data analysis tools, reproducibility of computation.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Transition of programming style in scientific analysis, programming language design for scientific computing.

**I want to know more about:**  
Programming language theory, reinforcement learning, high performance computing.





# Andrea Delgado

Graduate Student, Texas A&M University  
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## My research:

HEP: Heavy gauge boson resonance searches in all-hadronic final states.

QC: Quantum adiabatic memory recall for pattern matching in HEP.



**My expertise is:**  
HEP analysis, Jet energy corrections

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Private MC production for my physics analysis

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Quantum computing in high energy physics

**I want to know more about:**  
Machine learning, software developing tools for HEP, AI in general



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# Hongyue Duyang

*Postdoc, University of South Carolina*

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## **My research:**

Neutrino oscillation experiments;  
Neutrino cross-section measurements;  
Designing the next generation detector for future  
neutrino experiments.



## **My expertise is:**

Data analysis for neutrino experiments.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Model dependence in neutrino data analysis.  
Also no money to build my detector! (ok irrelevant)

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Usage of machine learning for neutrino  
reconstruction and data analysis.

## **I want to know more about:**

Everything about machine learning.





# Michael Eggleston

*PhD Candidate, Duke University (2020 expected)*

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## **My research:**

Searching for Vector-Like Quarks with data collected by the ATLAS experiment.

## **My expertise is:**

ATLAS simulation, data analysis in C++ and python

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Implementing modern software and design in analysis frameworks

## **I've got my eyes on:**

How to bring the frontier of scientific/computing research to solve industrial problems

## **I want to know more about:**

Use of machine Learning and big data outside of CERN



# Lucas Flores

*PhD candidate, The University of Pennsylvania*

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## **My research:**

Searching for trilepton resonances in a minimal SUSY  
B-L R parity Violating Model.

## **My expertise is:**

Electron ID, data analysis (python and C++)

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Analysis preservation with container images

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Reading this Deep Learning book

## **I want to know more about:**

Machine learning and parallel computing



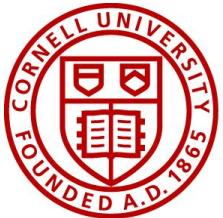


# Andre Frankenthal

*PhD Candidate in Physics, Cornell University*  
*Member of CMS and PADME collaborations*  
*as2872@cornell.edu*

## My research:

I search for dark matter with collider (CMS) and fixed-target (PADME) experiments. I also work on upgrade studies and do R&D work for the HL-LHC.



Cornell Laboratory for  
Accelerator-based Sciences  
and Education (CLASSE)

## My expertise is:

Reconstruction software and hardware development, MC simulations

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Doing template fitting on a noisy sample of pulses

## I've got my eyes on:

Machine learning and how to use it to improve current way of doing HEP things

## I want to know more about:

ML, big data scaling out techniques, true parallel processing, GPU programming





# Sudeshna Ganguly

*Postdoctoral research associate from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign working on Muon g-2 experiment at Fermilab*

## **My research:**

Measurement of muon anomalous magnetic moment provides a stringent test of the Standard Model and can suggest physics beyond SM. The Muon g-2 experiment at fermilab aims to measure muon magnetic anomaly to a ground-breaking precision of 140 parts per billion. Currently I am leading an analysis effort to understand the uncertainty in measurement of muon precision frequency due to muons falling out of the beamline, known as “lost muons” prior to decay.

## **My expertise is:**

HEP data analysis, DAQ, Online data quality monitor, Monte carlo simulation using C++, ROOT.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

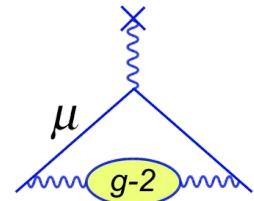
Creating large simulation sample without wasting too much CPU time to get a better understanding of the storage ring physics.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Machine learning and GPU parallel programming.

## **I want to know more about:**

Machine Learning and everything else as well.



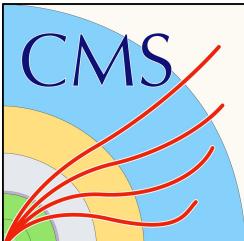


# Ali Garabaglu

*Undergraduate Student in Physics at Rutgers University*  
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## **My research:**

I have worked on a search for the clockwork model in diphoton final states and a search for hadronic RPV stop quarks decaying to 5 quarks. Currently I'm helping out with simulation in the MATHUSLA project and thinking about future analysis.



## **My expertise is:**

Data analysis in C++ and Python. And some jet physics.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Ways to use graphical models in high energy physics (like studying properties of jets).

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Bayesian networks, and Julia the programming language.

## **I want to know more about:**

Everything.



# Guanqun Ge

Graduate student in Physics Department, Columbia University

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## My research:

- Investigate the ability of SBN program in light sterile neutrino oscillation search
- Supernova burst trigger study for DUNE
- Production test for SBND



**My expertise is:**  
Data analysis in C++

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Implement feldman-cousins method for all grid points in parameter space to get sensitivity curve for light sterile neutrino oscillation.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Deep learning

**I want to know more about:**  
Parallel Programming





# Hugo Becerril Gonzalez

*PhD candidate in Physics. University of Illinois at Chicago  
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**My research:**  
Search for high-mass resonances decaying to ttbar in  
the CMS experiment



**My expertise is:**  
HEP data analysis in C++ and Python

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Implementing ML techniques to monitor the  
quality of tracking reconstruction

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Machine Learning and Big Data Tools

**I want to know more about:**  
GPU Parallel programming and Machine  
Learning



# Cesar Gonzalez Renteria

*Graduate Student Researcher at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and graduate student at UC Berkeley*

## **My research:**

Verification of the design of the Pixel readout ASIC for the ATLAS and CMS collaborations at the LHC in CERN. Also currently working on setting up the analysis framework of a measurement using charm tagged jets.



## **My (very limited) expertise is:**

Verification Engineering using a combination of SystemVerilog and UVM of IC designs.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

How parallel computing and Machine Learning can be used to greatly increase the efficiency of charm tagging.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

How the interface of computer science, computer engineering, electrical engineering and physics come together to get the most out of data.

## **I want to know more about:**

Machine Learning and Parallel Programming





# Lauren Hay

*PhD Candidate, University at Buffalo  
(Expected 2022)  
CMS Experiment*

## **My research:**

Applying deep learning to jet classification  
ANN's. PF simulation in the forward region for  
CMS Phase 2 tracker linking to HF.



## **My expertise is:**

Building ANN's and performing simulation for detector upgrades.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Interpreting and visualizing LRP relevance scores; getting a better understanding of Particle Flow.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Deep Learning in all its forms, utilization of SIMD.

## **I want to know more about:**

Parallel computing, tracking algorithms.



# James Heinlein

*PhD Candidate at University of Pennsylvania*  
*Expected Graduation: 2023*

## **My research:**

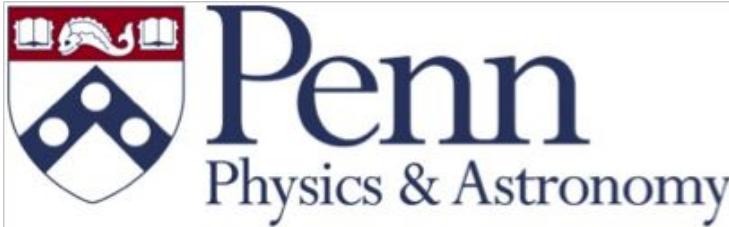
I work on ATLAS searching for B-L R-Parity Violating SUSY decays. I also work on verification and testing of HCCStar chips for ITk

**My expertise is:**  
Data Analysis using or C++ or Python.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Learning modern computational approaches and algorithms for efficient data analysis

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Ways that parallel computing could improve my work efficiency and computational time. How can ML improve my analysis

**I want to know more about:**  
Parallel computing. Machine Learning



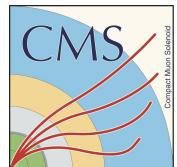


# Pradeep Jasal

Visiting Scientist , Fermilab , CMS Experiment  
Email : [pradeep.jasal@cern.ch](mailto:pradeep.jasal@cern.ch)

## My research:

Data Management in CMS experiment



## My expertise is:

Data Management in CMS experiment using PhEDEx ( Physics Experiment Data Export ) tool and data analysis using Python

## A problem I'm grappling with:

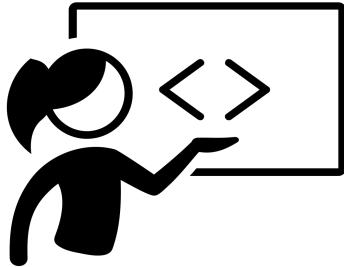
Moving the data management operations to recently adopted scientific data management tool called Rucio

## I've got my eyes on:

Using large scale data analysis and ML tools to in data management ( monitoring metrics implementation, replication)

## I want to know more about:

Big data tools , Real time machine learning inferencing with edge computing devices using AI accelerator ASIC's from google(Edge TPU) , intel etc. in High Energy Physics



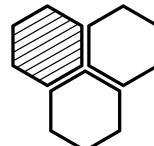
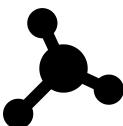
# Yeon-jae Jwa

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## My research:

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## My expertise is:

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## A problem I'm grappling with:

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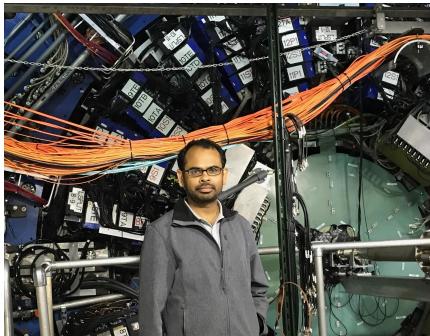
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## I want to know more about:

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# Latiful (Latif) Kabir

*Post-Doctoral Scholar, UC Riverside (Stationed at BNL)*

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## My research:

Working on the STAR experiment at the RHIC and the future Electron Ion Collider. My research focus is the nucleon structure, hadron spectroscopy, and the underlying symmetry.

## My expertise is:

OOP in C++/Java/Python, algorithm, data structure, multithreading, grid computing, data quality and development of scientific software.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

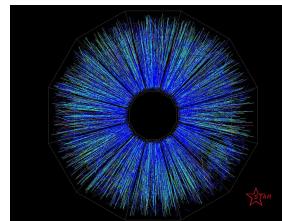
Perfect data/track reconstruction from malfunctioning detectors.

## I've got my eyes on:

Machine Learning, High Performance Computing, GPU and their applications in physical problems.

## I want to know more about:

Tools and techniques from Data Science and other communities.





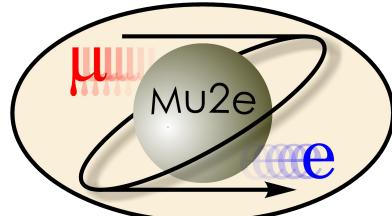
# Cole Kampa

Graduate Student at Northwestern University

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## My research:

- Modeling the Detector Solenoid magnetic field for the Mu2e experiment
- Study of the  $\mu^-$  to  $e^+$  conversion process (CLFV, LNV)



## My expertise is:

Data analysis in Python, GPU parallelization

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Learning modern computing techniques while also focusing on physics

## I've got my eyes on:

Visualization techniques and tools to clearly communicate information at varying levels (e.g. Plotly Dash)

## I want to know more about:

Machine Learning, Big Data



# Manolis Kargiantoulakis

Fermilab Research Associate, PPD/MD g-2 and Mu2e

## My research:

Tests of the Standard Model with muon precision physics, with the Muon g-2 and Mu2e experiments at Fermilab.

## My expertise is:

HEP data analysis and simulation, using C++ and python.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

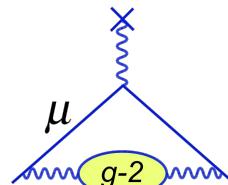
Fitting beam element field data in 3D toroidal coordinates; building MC phenomenological model of experimental observable.

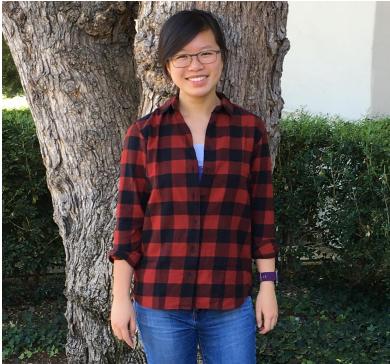
## I've got my eyes on:

Programming tools to extract information from noisy samples and other scientific analysis challenges.

## I want to know more about:

Machine learning, HPC





# Stephanie Kwan

2nd Year Graduate Student in Physics  
Princeton University  
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## My research:

I am developing hardware (FPGA) implementations of machine learning algorithms for identifying particles at the CMS Level 1 Trigger.



## My expertise is:

Particle identification; some low-level programming

## A problem I'm grappling with:

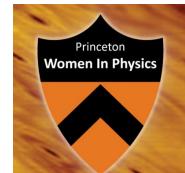
Quantifying ML algorithm performance; learning Vivado High-Level Synthesis

## I've got my eyes on:

Learning how to identify and carry out detector upgrades in order to enable/ enhance searches for new particles & precision measurements.

## I want to know more about:

The intersection of machine learning and high-performance hardware.





# Sicong Lu

1st year Ph.D.  
University of Pennsylvania  
ATLAS  
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**My research:**  
Characterization of AMAC performance in ATLAS ITk strips.  
SUSY search.

**My expertise is:**

Analysis basics in ROOT (Python, C++);  
Basic knowledge about TMVA, Keras.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**

Understanding the performance, optimization, and limit of computation.

**I've got my eyes on:**

Systematic understanding of the analyses and relevant theories.

**I want to know more about:**

Anything relevant to the above mentioned.



# Sara Nabili

*Graduate Student in Physics, Maryland University*  
*snabili@umd.edu*

## **My research:**

Study on CMS Level one trigger MET using HCAL  
EndCap depth segmentation



## **My expertise is:**

HEP Data analysis in Python, C++ and ROOT  
CMSSW package

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Finding the an algorithm to optimize L1 online trigger

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Applying ML algorithms to our analysis

## **I want to know more about:**

Learning Interaction network for hidden sector models.



# Panchali Nag

*PhD Candidate in (Applied) Mathematics, Duke University*

*M.Sc. (Theoretical) Physics*

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## **My research:**

Applications of harmonic maps and integrable systems to surface theory and machine learning

**Duke**  
UNIVERSITY

## **My current expertise/interest is:**

Applying geometry and representation theory to shape analysis, manifold learning and manifold reconstruction (from noise)

Data Analysis in Python

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Develop a variational theory for shape learning

## **I've got my eyes on:**

The interplay of machine learning and scientific computing in investigating “new physics” from large datasets

## **I want to know more about:**

High Performance Computing



# Gregory (Greg) Ottino

Ph.D. Student at LBNL/UC Berkeley  
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## My research:

Characterization of system level effects of radiation for the ATLAS ITK Strips Powerboard.

Improving charm jet tagging in ATLAS with a future focus on Higgs to charm decay and Higgs + charm associated production



## My expertise is:

Irradiation of IC's and data analysis with ROOT/C++

## A problem I'm grappling with:

How to integrate various methods for charm jet tagging into a single algorithm to maximize purity and yield

## I've got my eyes on:

Parallelization in the context of track reconstruction. ML improvements to heavy flavor tagging

## I want to know more about:

Incorporating modern software tools into HEP research, w/ an emphasis on ML and Parallelization





# Christos Papageorgakis

*Physics Graduate Student*  
*University of Maryland, College Park*  
*CMS Experiment*  
*cpapag@umd.edu*

## **My research:**

Radiation damage in plastic scintillators.  
Simulations of HGCAL using CMSSW and standalone code.



**My expertise is:**  
C++, compilers

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Applying multivariate regression correctly to mitigate for dead Si cells in HGCAL.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
ML techniques, optimization, parallelization.

**I want to know more about:**  
Applying ML more effectively. HPC.





# Mason Proffitt

*PhD student at the University of Washington*  
*masonlp@uw.edu*

## **My research:**

ATLAS long-lived particle search via displaced jets in the hadronic calorimeter; MATHUSLA (LHC surface level long-lived particle experiment); functional/declarative analysis languages as part of IRIS-HEP



## **My expertise is:**

\*nix operating systems, low-level programming (C/C++), ROOT, data analysis

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Buggy, inconsistent, or unimplemented features in Scikit-HEP Python packages

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Implementing a BDT or NN to help discriminate events with one displaced vertex and one LLP decaying promptly from background

## **I want to know more about:**

ML tools





# Andres Quintero

*Master in Electronics*  
[aquinter@fnal.gov](mailto:aquinter@fnal.gov)

## My research:

I work at CMS for Tier 0 operation, so I am in charge of creating new software to improve data acquisition from CMS detector.

## My expertise is:

Prototyping, 3d printing, FPGA, Data handling,  
Big data.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Extracting the configuration file from a previous run and recreate its harvesting job.

## I've got my eyes on:

Kubernetes integration with Rucio for file transfer.

## I want to know more about:

Machine learning applied to physics, specifically on how to replace tons of servers with some FPGAs.





# Aleena Rafique

*Postdoctoral Research Associate, Argonne National Laboratory*

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## My research:

Working on Michel electron search in ProtoDUNE experiment at CERN, Switzerland. I am also working on combining the charge (from Time Projection chamber) and light (from Photon Detector) information in liquid argon detectors.



## My expertise is:

Data analysis, data handling, data quality monitoring

## A problem I'm grappling with:

How to combine information from two separate detector subsystems (TPC and PD).

## I've got my eyes on:

The challenges of neutrino physics

## I want to know more about:

Machine learning



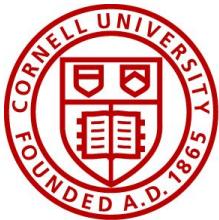


# Michael (Tres) Reid

*Physics Ph.D. Student  
Cornell University  
CMS Experiment Collaborator  
mgr85@cornell.edu*

## My research:

CMS experiment at CERN. I work on software upgrades for the CMS tracker and dark matter searches at CMS.



**Cornell Laboratory for  
Accelerator-based Sciences  
and Education (CLASSE)**

**My expertise is:**  
Data analysis in Python, C++ and ROOT.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Parallelization and vectorization of the CMS track reconstruction algorithms.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
GPU programming and parallel computing

**I want to know more about:**  
Computer architectures, parallel computing,  
Machine learning and data mining.





# Titas Roy

*Postdoctoral Research Associate,  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
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## My research:

Searching for top quark pair resonances using data collected by the CMS detector. I also work on the upgrade of the innermost part of our detector- the inner pixel tracker.



## My expertise is:

Data analysis using C++, Python, PyROOT.  
Working with hardware and developing software  
to analyse data from readout electronics.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Making my code more efficient.

## I've got my eyes on:

Using DNN in my new projects

## I want to know more about:

Machine Learning and ANN.





# Claire Savard

*Physics Ph.D. Student*  
*University of Colorado, Boulder*  
*CMS Experiment Collaborator*  
*claire.savard@colorado.edu*

## **My research:**

Applying machine learning to L1 trigger updates in the CMS detector. Currently working on particle identification.



## **My expertise is:**

Research and design and algorithm development for detector upgrades.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Implementing algorithms on FPGAs.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Really immersing myself in the ML world so that I can bring back what I've learned to HEP-Ex.

## **I want to know more about:**

Data mining, high performance computing, computing structures, parallel computing





# Xiaobing Shi

*Graduate Student in Physics*  
*Purdue University*  
*Mu2e experiment*  
*shi304@purdue.edu*

## **My research:**

1. Mu2e Extinction Monitor pixel readout and Processing
2. Mu2e track reconstruction

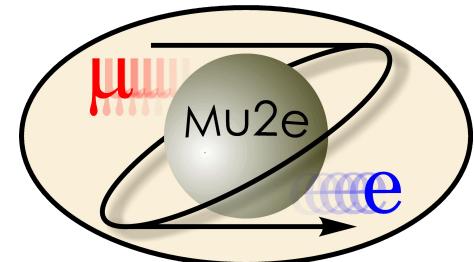


**My expertise is:**  
Data analysis in C++, Python

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Fast track reconstruction code for the Extinction Monitor in Mu2e

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Potential machine learning application in HEP experiment.

**I want to know more about:**  
Parallel programming and machine learning

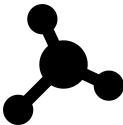




# Matthew Snyder

*Matt Snyder  
Brookhaven National Lab, Senior Data Analyst  
msnyder@bnl.gov*

**My research:**  
Implementing Rucio data catalog with Globus Online transfer tool.



**My (in)expertise is:**  
Data analysis, data movement and data modeling

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
ROOT.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Implementing travis on couple projects

**I want to know more about:**  
New to HEP. Here to listen, learn and do.





# Stefano Roberto Soletti

*Postdoctoral Fellow  
Harvard University  
MicroBooNE experiment*

## My research:

I currently work on the MicroBooNE experiment, a short-baseline neutrino detector whose main physics goal is to study MiniBooNE's low-energy excess of electron-like events, which could hint to the presence of a sterile neutrino.



HARVARD  
UNIVERSITY

## My expertise is:

Neutrino physics, isolation of small signals, algorithms for background rejection.

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Optimization and combination of boosted decision tree for significance enhancement.

## I've got my eyes on:

Numba, Machine Learning, parallel programming

## I want to know more about:

Scientific python, parallelized data analysis with uproot.





# Andre Stahl

Postdoctoral researcher,  
Rice University  
[andre.stahl@cern.ch](mailto:andre.stahl@cern.ch)

## My research:

- Analyze heavy-ion collisions at the LHC with CMS
- Study heavy-flavour hadrons and electroweak bosons in high-density QCD environments



## My expertise is:

- Data analysis tools based on ROOT
- Muon tracking in heavy-ion data

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Parallelizing data analysis tasks

## I've got my eyes on:

Machine learning for data analysis and particle identification

## I want to know more about:

Parallel programming and machine learning





# Mehreen Sultana

*Graduate Student in Physics*  
*University of Rochester*  
*sultana@fnal.gov*

## **My research:**

Searching for unmodeled multi-nucleon processes in the inclusive low recoil analysis in the MINERvA experiment



## **My expertise is:**

ROOT, C++, some python  
MS Powerpoint (joke)

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Efficiently mapping multiple clusters to a single point (grouping pion candidate clusters to a michel candidate position in the detector)

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Particle Identification, Machine learning, more data analysis via python

## **I want to know more about:**

Parallel programming, machine learning



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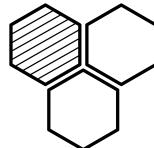
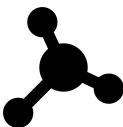


# Zachary (Zach) Warner

*Graduate Student in Physics: University of Kansas*  
*warner.zachary@ku.edu*

## **My research:**

CMS experiment at CERN. Specifically I am looking at jet signatures for comparison with QCD model predictions.



## **My expertise is:**

Data analysis with CMSSW and Root.

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

Hadronic jet reconstruction and analysis for jets characterized by dijets with large rapidity separation and decorrelation in azimuthal angle.

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Improving overall analysis skills, parallel programming, machine learning.

## **I want to know more about:**

Parallel programming and machine learning.





# Kai Wei

*Graduate Student in Physics  
The Ohio State University  
CMS experiment  
[Kai.Wei@cern.ch](mailto:Kai.Wei@cern.ch)*

## **My research:**

- Search for long-lived particle with disappearing track in CMS
- Dedicated trigger optimized for displaced objects for Run3 CMS

## **My expertise is:**

PdmV Monte Carlo contact, data analysis with CMSSW, Delphes

## **A problem I'm grappling with:**

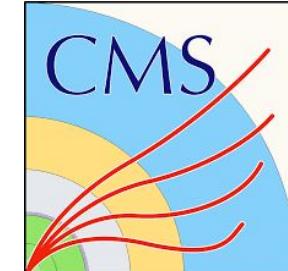
Analysis for disappearing track and its background estimation

## **I've got my eyes on:**

Simplified model and fast detector simulation.

## **I want to know more about:**

ML for trigger and tracking algorithm





# Daniel Wilbern

*Graduate Student*  
*University of Oklahoma*  
*ATLAS Experiment*  
*Daniel.Wilbern@cern.ch*

## My research:

- Search for vectorlike leptons (exotic particle)
- ATLAS ITK pixel detector upgrades

## My expertise is:

Data analysis with ROOT and python, scripting and automation

## A problem I'm grappling with:

Object definition and cut optimization for an exotic particle search

## I've got my eyes on:

FPGA programming to communicate with ATLAS pixel detectors

## I want to know more about:

Machine learning, parallelizing code



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EXPERIMENT



# Kak Wong

*PhD Candidate in Physics*  
*University of Maryland, College Park*  
*kakw@umd.edu*

**My research:**  
Search for Wgamma resonance in CMS experiment  
Tier-3 cluster management

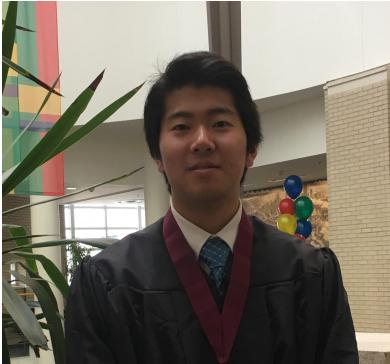


**My expertise is:**  
CMSSW, PyROOT, cluster management

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Managing MC samples over several years

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Parallelization, distributed computing, machine learning, containers, jupyter notebook

**I want to know more about:**  
Parallel coding paradigms



# Riley Xu

1st year Ph.D.  
University of Pennsylvania  
ATLAS  
[rileyx@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:rileyx@sas.upenn.edu)

## My research:

Writing simulation framework for the Hardware Tracking for Trigger (HTT) system, a run 4 upgrade. Writing firmware for HTT board SoCs and IPMI controllers.

**My expertise is:**  
Software development, C++

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Learning Verilog/Vivado

**I've got my eyes on:**  
GPU integration in distributed systems (i.e. the GRID)

**I want to know more about:**  
Machine learning



# Luis Felipe Gutierrez Zagazeta

*1st year PhD student*  
*University of Pennsylvania*  
*luisfgz@sas.upenn.edu*

**My research:**  
Develop logic tests and probe station software for the testing of AMAC in the ATLAS ITk.



**My expertise is:**  
HEP data analysis.

**A problem I'm grappling with:**  
Automatization of selection requirements.

**I've got my eyes on:**  
Machine learning for the optimization of selection requirements.

**I want to know more about:**  
Machine learning and parallel programming.

