# Colin Dietrich

#### Master Student in Engineering Physics

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# **Education**

Research MS in Engineering Physics Polytechnique Montreal

Montreal, CA 2022-2024

**GPA**: 4.0/4.0

Coursework: Quantum Optics, Quantum Information, Ultrafast Photonics, A.I.: methods and algorithms,

Quantum Field Theory (McGill University).

MS in Engineering Physics École Polytechnique de Bruxelles

Brussels. BE 2021 - 2024

Grade: 18.62/20

Coursework: Quantum Mechanics II, Laser Physics, Numerical Methods, Plasma Physics, Digital Electronics,

Nuclear Physics.

BS in Engineering Physics École Polytechnique de Bruxelles

Brussels, BE 2018 - 2021

Honors: Magna Cum Laude

Coursework: Quantum/Statistical Physics, Linear Algebra, Semiconductor Physics, Object-oriented programming.

# Work and Associative Experience

#### **Student Research Associate** (Laboratoire des Fibres Optiques)

Montreal, CA 2022 - 2024

Full-time research focused on developing a bright entangled photon source, contributing to the experimental validation of "band conditioned states" (Virally et al.). The project involved injecting femtosecond pulses into an SHG crystal to seed SPDC, generating high-rate entangled photon pairs, and utilizing balanced homodyne detection with intensity post-selection for quantum state engineering. (Supervisor: Dr. Virally).

# **Laboratory Instructor and Teaching Assistant** (Polytechnique Montreal)

Montreal, CA 2023 - 2024

Led teams and assessed physical engineering projects (PHS1903) on topics such as pulse oximeters, infrared thermometers, wireless energy transfer systems, and laser sensing. Additionally, evaluated coursework for Statistical Physics (PHS2111) and Biophotonics (GBM8802) courses.

#### **Development Cooperation Project** (Codepo, CAMESKIN)

Kinshasa, RDC 2021 - 2022

Engineered a solar energy monitoring system tailored for the Democratic Republic of Congo's rural regions, programming microcontrollers, developing a Kalman filter for enhanced accuracy, and implementing a MQTT-based remote monitoring app. The system was successfully installed in Kinshasa to monitor solar panels and batteries essential for medical storage.

#### Youth Scout Leader (Rosaire)

Brussels, BE 2018 - 2021

Coordinated events and programs for 8-12-year-olds, fostering teamwork and outdoor skills. Led summer camp planning and logistics.

# **Projects**

#### **Poster Presentation** (7th Montreal Photonics Networking Event)

Montreal, CA 2022 - 2024

Presented at the 7th Montreal Photonics Networking Event: Developed a genetic algorithm for the inverse design of second order nonlinear materials to generate pure entangled photon pairs via SPDC. (Supervisor: Dr. Virally).

#### Design of a Low-Noise Ultrafast Fiber Laser System (Polytechnique Montreal)

Montreal, CA 2023

Developed an ultrafast fiber laser system for quantum optics applications, incorporating an EDFA for amplification to achieve broadband, high-peak-power pulses. (Supervisor: Dr. Virally).

#### Solver for Two-Dimensional Poisson Equation (École Polytechnique de Bruxelles)

Brussels, CA 2020

Developed a C program employing iterative multi-grid methods and preconditioning techniques to efficiently solve 2D Poisson equations, optimizing convergence and computational performance for various membrane shapes.

### Video Game Development

Brussels, BE 2018 - 2020

Developed and published an arcade game on the App Store using Swift. Also created a tower defense game in Java (not published).

# **Skills**

**Programmation:** Python, C, C++, Java, Swift, HTML, CSS, Javascript, LateX, MATLAB, GNU Octave.

**Software:** Github, PowerPoint, Excel, word, Adobe PhotoShop, Inkscape, Mathematica.

Language: Native French, proficient in English and Dutch.

Soft Skills: Presentation, Planning, Organized, Teamwork, Active Listening, Adaptability, Analytical Thinking.