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Education

2005	Ph.D., Department of High Energy Physics, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany Thesis: Measurement of J/ ψ and ψ (2S) Production in Proton-Nucleus Interactions using the HERA-B Experiment
1999	M.Sc., Faculty of Physics, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia Thesis: Development and Application of the Genetic Algorithms in Describing Binding Energy of Nuclei
1998	B.Sc. , Applied Physics and Informatics, Faculty of Physics, University of Belgrade, Serbia

Employment

April 2015	University of Chicago, Chicago, USA – Computational Scientist. The main person behind ATLAS federated storage system – systems integration software, monitoring, computing centers and user support, setting up a network of data caching servers. Heading the ATLAS data analytics efforts: provisioning of the hardware, software stack, organizing the data collection and mining services, providing user education and support. I use the framework to analyze system-wide performance, report and act on the insights. Some of the topics are: WLCG network – performance understanding and optimization, prediction and delivery of the future performance data; Grid job processing – improving algorithms used for job brokering, data distribution management, access methods and protocols. Monitoring experimental data usage patterns and characterizing performance of the physics analysis frameworks. This informs decisions on the data content, formats, and distribution. Instigator and principal developer behind ATLASrift, an interactive, immersive, virtual reality ATLAS event viewer and outreach tool. Investigating possibilities for using neurocognitive computing in ATLAS event selection and reconstruction.
March 2012 – April 2015	University of Chicago , Chicago, USA – staff position. Working on all aspects of the federated data access system (FAX) for ATLAS experiment. Duties include: core software development - plugins for name mapping, redirection, and monitoring; establishing monitoring systems – tests, results collection, visualization; integration with other ATLAS systems – SSB, AGIS, PanDA, deployment support – being main point of contact for campaigns covering 65 ATLAS computing sites; documentation (JIRA, TWiki) and organization, providing user support, etc. Related projects include: work on optimization of xAOD data format, engineering a system to collect and mine xAOD usage data inside a more general data mining framework, being liaison with ROOT team, evaluation of how suitable are commercial cloud services in ATLAS context, etc.

Dec 2008 – Mar. 2012	Linear Accelerator Laboratory, Paris, France – (Contract Duration Determinée). Conceived, organized and executed full system of monitoring all of the official ATLAS production jobs. All of the performance data from more than 200 thousands jobs per day are collected and summarized in Oracle databases. Planed and executed a system for monitoring and optimization of IO performance of HammerCloud jobs. Investigations on possible usage of GP GPU computing methods inside and outside of ATLAS context.
2006 - Dec.2008	Linear Accelerator Laboratory, Paris, France – PostDoc position. Software performance optimization and data analysis for the ATLAS experiment, CERN, Geneva. Since this experiment produced data at 60 TB/day rate, software optimization is essential despite having some of the largest computer farms in the world. CPU time, memory and disk space, were squeezed to the limit. Frequently delivering order of magnitude improvements on all three by means of code optimization, algorithm improvements and advance knowledge based compression. This is all done in C++ with python based interface and is GRID enabled. I have performed the full chain of Higgs search data analysis starting from Monte Carlo generation, signal extraction and cuts optimization to systematic effect estimation.
2006	Public institution Center for Eco-toxicological Research (JU CETI) – permanent position. Designed and implemented of computer network, data acquisition and document flow.
2005	Midland Ltd. steel plant, Niksic, Montenegro – permanent position. Designed, organized work and implemented automatization of process control systems, access control system, video surveillance and safety system, phone and network systems, databases and financial software.

Publications

Anomaly detection in wide area network mesh using two machine learning anomaly detection algorithms Future Generation Computer Systems, Volume 93, April 2019, Pages 418-426

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Getting the Most from Distributed Resources: An Analytics Platform for ATLAS Computing Services. 192. 10.22323/1.282.0192. (2017)

Observation of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson with the ATLAS detector at the LHC

Phys.Lett. B716 (2012) 1-29 doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2012.08.020

Expected Performance of the ATLAS Experiment - Detector, Trigger and Physics http://arxiv.org/pdf/0901.0512v4 (2008)



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Production of the Charmonium States chic_1 and chic_2 in Proton Nucleus Interactions \sqrt{s} = 41.6 GeV Phys. Rev. D79, 012001 (2009), Issue 1

V^o Production in p+A Collisions at \sqrt{s} = 41.6 GeV Eur.Phys.J.C61 (2008), 207-221 doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-009-1005-3

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Kinematic Distributions and Nuclear Effects of J/psi Production in 920 GeV Fixed-Target Proton-Nucleus Collisions *Eur.Phys.J.C60* (2007), 525-542 doi:10.1140/epic/s10052-009-0965-7

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Luminosity determination at HERA-B Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A582 (2007), 401-412

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Measurement of the J/ ψ Production Cross Section in 920 GeV/c Fixed-Target Proton-Nucleus Interactions Phys. Lett. B638 (2006), 407-414 doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2006.03.064

Measurement of the Y Production Cross Section in 920 GeV/c Fixed-Target Proton-Nucleus Collisions *Phys. Lett. B* 638 (2006), 1,13-21 doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2006.04.042

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Improved measurement of the B-BBAR Production Cross Section in 920 GeV/c Fixed-Target Proton-Nucleus collisions

Phys. Rev. D vol.73, 052005, issue 5 (2005)

The Outer Tracker Detector of the HERA-B Experiment part II: Front-End Electronics Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A 541 (2005) 610

How should we Fit the Differential Cross Section of J/ ψ Production HERA-B Note 04-027, (2004)

Limits for the central production of Θ^+ and Ξ^- pentaquarks in 920 GeV pA collisions Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 212003 1-6 (2004)

Search for the flavor-changing neutral current decay $D^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ with the HERA-B detector *Phys. Lett. B* 596, 173 (2004)

Measurement of the BBbar production cross section in 920 GeV fixed-target proton nucleus collisions Eur. Phys. J. C 26, 345 (2003)

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Conference contributions

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NEC 2015, Becici, Montenegro Data analytics in ATLAS experiment

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CHEP 2012, New York, USA.

Using Xrootd to Federate Regional Storage,

Monitoring of computing resource utilization of the ATLAS experiment.

The ATLAS ROOT-based data formats: recent improvements and performance measurements,

J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 396 032112 doi:10.1088/1742-6596/396/3/032112

Future computing in particle physics 2011, e-Science Institute, Edinburgh, UK Atlas IO improvements and Future prospects, GP using GPGPU - my experience with OpenCL

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