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## Education

- 2017 – 2021 **Ph.D. in physics**, *RWTH Aachen University*, Germany.  
• Graduated *summa cum laude* on 17 December 2021.  
• Thesis: “Deep-Learning based Measurement of the Mass Composition of Ultra-high Energy Cosmic Rays using the Surface Detector of the Pierre Auger Observatory”.  
• Advised by Martin Erdmann.
- 2015 – 2017 **Master’s degree in physics**, *RWTH Aachen University*, Germany.  
• Graduated with distinction (1,2).  
• Focus of study: particle physics, astrophysics.  
• Thesis: “A Deep Learning-Based Reconstruction of Air Showers at the Pierre Auger Observatory.”
- 2012 – 2015 **Bachelor’s degree in physics**, *RWTH Aachen University*, Germany.  
• Thesis: “Charge Reconstruction of Heavy Ions in Monte Carlo Simulations of the AMS-02 Experiment”, Grade: 1.8.

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## Experience

- since 2022 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Erlangen Centre for Astroparticle Physics, Friedrich-Alexander-University*.  
Teaching and supervision of bachelor, master, and Ph.D. students.  
Research:  
• Deep-learning-based reconstruction algorithms for ground-based gamma-ray and cosmic-ray observatories (H.E.S.S., CTA, SWGO, Pierre Auger).  
• Mass composition of cosmic rays at very high and ultra-high energies.  
• Acceleration of simulations using generative models.
- 2017 – 2022 **Research assistant**, *III. Physics Institute A, RWTH Aachen University*.  
Lecturing, supervision of bachelor and master students, assistance in the organization of workshops.  
Research:  
• Mass composition of ultra-high-energy cosmic rays.  
• Application of machine learning algorithms in particle physics.  
• Acceleration of simulations using generative models.  
• Domain adaptation using adversarial frameworks.

- Summer 2016 **Summer student at DESY, Hamburg, Germany.**  
Project: “The impacts of the muon spoiler background for the ILC detector performance”.
- 2016 – 2017 **Student assistant, III. Physics Institute A, RWTH Aachen University.**
- Experimental physics IV
  - Astroparticle physics
  - Physics for engineers
- 2015 – 2016 **Lab course assistant, I. Physics Institute B, RWTH Aachen University.**

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## Memberships

- since 2022 **CTA Consortium.**
- since 2022 **SWG0 Collaboration.**
- since 2022 **H.E.S.S. Collaboration.**
- since 2018 **Pierre Auger Collaboration.**

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## Services

- since 2022 **Board member, Big Data Analytics, representative for KAT (Komitee für Astroteilchenphysik).**
- since 2022 **Reviewer, Astroparticle Physics, Journal of Instrumentation, The European Physical Journal C.**
- since 2020 **Leader machine learning task, Pierre Auger Collaboration.**  
Coordination of the working group that investigates new data-driven methods and their application in astroparticle physics. Organization of machine learning workshops and group meetings.

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## Computer Skills

- Coding Python, NumPy, Torch, TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch Geometric, git, Docker
- Office L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Word, Excel, Powerpoint

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## Teaching

- 2018 – 2022 **Deep Learning in Physics Research, master course (120 students), every summer term, RWTH Aachen University, lecturer.**  
Lecturing, preparation, and correction of exercises, course organization.

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## Languages

- German Mother’s tongue
- English Native or bilingual proficiency
- French Limited working proficiency

## Community Activities

2013 Freshmen tutoring

2010 – 2012 Youth Leader

See separate pages for publications, invited talks, lectures, and conference contributions.

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## Books

- [Book1] M. Erdmann, J. Glombitza, G. Kasieczka, and U. Klemradt, *Deep Learning for Physics Research*. WORLD SCIENTIFIC, 2021. ISBN: 978-981-12-3747-8.

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## Publications (with significant contribution)

- [1] J. Glombitza et al., “Application of Graph Networks to background rejection in Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes,” *ArXiv:2305.08674*, 2023.
- [2] A. Aab et al. (Pierre Auger Collaboration), “Deep-learning based reconstruction of the shower maximum  $X_{\max}$  using the water-cherenkov detectors of the Pierre Auger Observatory,” *JINST*, vol. 16, p. P07019, jul 2021.
- [3] A. Coleman et al., “Ultra high energy cosmic rays the intersection of the cosmic and energy frontiers,” *Astroparticle Physics*, vol. 147, p. 102794, 2023.
- [4] T. Bister et al., “Identification of patterns in cosmic-ray arrival directions using dynamic graph convolutional neural networks,” *Astroparticle Physics*, vol. 126, p. 102527, 2021.
- [5] M. Erdmann, J. Glombitza, and T. Quast, “Precise simulation of electromagnetic calorimeter showers using a wasserstein generative adversarial network,” *T. Comput Softw Big Sci.*, vol. 3, no. 4, 2019.
- [6] M. Erdmann, J. Glombitza, and D. Walz, “A deep learning-based reconstruction of cosmic ray-induced air showers,” *Astropart. Phys.*, vol. 97, pp. 46–52, 2018.
- [7] M. Erdmann, L. Geiger, J. Glombitza, and D. Schmidt, “Generating and refining particle detector simulations using the wasserstein distance in adversarial networks,” *Comput Softw Big Sci.*, vol. 2, no. 4, 2018.
- [8] J. Glombitza for the Pierre Auger Collaboration, “Air-shower reconstruction at the Pierre Auger Observatory based on deep learning,” *PoS*, vol. 358, 2019.
- [9] L. Benato et al., “Shared data and algorithms for deep learning in fundamental physics,” *Computing and Software for Big Science*, vol. 6, may 2022.
- [10] M. Erdmann and J. Glombitza, “Deep learning based algorithms in astroparticle physics,” *Journal of Physics: Conference Series*, vol. 1525, p. 012112, apr 2020.

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## Invited Talks and Lectures (selected)

- 2023 **Guest Lecture at Utrecht University**, *Utrecht, The Netherlands*, Machine Learning for Astrophysics.
- 2022 **11th IDPASC School**, *Olomouc, Czech Republic*, Lectures on Machine Learning.
- 2022 **Astroparticle School**, *Obertrubach-Bärnfels, Germany*, Lectures on Machine Learning.
- 2022 **CPPS seminars**, *Siegen, Germany*, From Machine Learning to Deep Learning in Physics.
- 2022 **Lecture at School for Astroparticle Physics**, *Utrecht, The Netherlands*, Deep Learning for Astroparticle Physics.
- 2022 **BND School**, *Callantsoog, The Netherlands*, Lecture: Deep Learning for Physics Research.
- 2022 **Train the trainer workshop**, *Wuppertal, Germany*, Introduction to graph neural networks for future deep-learning docents.
- 2022 **Deep Learning Week Ångströmlaboratoriet**, *Uppsala, Sweden*, Lecture and tutorial on Generative Adversarial Networks.
- 2022 **Train the trainer workshop**, *Aachen, Germany*, Introduction to neural networks introspection for future deep-learning docents.
- 2022 **Workshop on Machine Learning for Cosmic-Ray Air Showers**, *Delaware, USA*, Talk: Deep Learning for Astroparticle Physics.
- 2021 **The Paris-Saclay AstroParticle Symposium 2021**, *Paris, France*, Machine learning tutorial.
- 2021 **Physics seminar**, *Prague, Czech Republic*, Deep Learning for Cosmic-Ray Observatories.
- 2021 **2nd Terrascale School on Machine Learning**, *Hamburg, Germany*, Tutorial on Generative Adversarial Networks.
- 2021 **Physics seminar**, “*Generative Adversarial Networks for Physics Research*”, Linnaeus University, Sweden.
- 2020 **Big Data Science in Astroparticle Research**, *Aachen, Germany*, Lecture on graph neural networks.
- 2019 **3rd inter-experimental machine learning workshop**, *CERN, Geneva, Switzerland*, lecture on Generative Adversarial Networks.
- 2019 **CMS Physics Object school**, *Aachen*, tutorial on Deep Learning.
- 2019 **Big Data Science in Astroparticle Research**, *Aachen, Germany*, Lecture: “Introduction to Deep Learning”.
- 2018 **1st Terrascale Workshop on Machine Learning**, *Hamburg, Germany*, Lecture on adversarial frameworks.

- 2018 **Phenomenology Seminar**, *Heidelberg, Germany*, Seminar talk: “Deep Learning in Physics Research”.
- 2018 **Big Data Science in Astroparticle Research**, *Aachen, Germany*, Lecture on generative models.

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## Conference Contributions (selected)

- 2023 **38th International Cosmic Ray Conference**, *Nagoya, Japan*, talk: “Mass Composition from 3 EeV to 100 EeV using the Depth of the Maximum of Air-Shower Profiles Estimated with Deep Learning using Surface Detector Data of the Pierre Auger Observatory”.
- 2021 **37th International Cosmic Ray Conference**, *Berlin, Germany (online)*, talk: “Event-by-event reconstruction of the shower maximum with the Surface Detector of the Pierre Auger Observatory using deep learning”.
- 2021 **Quarks 2020**, *Pereslavl, Russia (online)*, talk: “Deep learning for astroparticle physics”.
- 2019 **Artificial Intelligence for Science, Industry and Society**, *Mexico City, Mexico*, talk: “Deep Learning for Cosmic-Ray Observatories”.
- 2019 **36th International Cosmic Ray Conference**, *Madison, USA*, poster: “Air-Shower Reconstruction at the Pierre Auger Observatory based on Deep Learning”.
- 2019 **International Workshop on Advanced Computing and Analysis Techniques in Physics Research**, *Saas-Fee, Switzerland*, talk: “Deep Learning based Algorithms in Astroparticle Physics”.
- 2018 **2nd inter-experimental machine learning workshop**, *CERN, Switzerland*, talk: “Refining Detector Simulations using Adversarial Networks”.
- 2018 **Astroparticle Physics in Germany**, *Mainz, Germany*, poster: “Investigation of Deep Learning based Algorithms at the Pierre Auger Observatory”.