

Juan Pablo González-Aguilera



Education

- PhD in Physics** *University of Chicago* Chicago, IL 2020 - present
Studying coherent synchrotron radiation in particle accelerators using high-dimensional ML-based phase space reconstruction algorithms.
- MSc in Physics** *University of Chicago* Chicago, IL 2020-2022
Characterized emittance in particle accelerator using Bayesian optimization.
- BSc in Physics (*summa cum laude*)** *Universidad de Los Andes* Bogotá, Colombia 2016-2019
Thesis: Classification of variable stars using supervised learning and robust statistics.

Research Experience

- Graduate Research Assistant** *University of Chicago* Chicago, IL 2020 - present
- Characterizing coherent synchrotron radiation effects at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator.
 - Developed six-dimensional phase space reconstruction method using neural networks and differentiable physics simulations.
 - Developed backward-differentiable particle tracking library in PyTorch.
- Post-baccalaureate Research Scholar** *Cornell University* Ithaca, NY 2019 - 2020
- Implemented genetic algorithms for accelerator beamline multi-objective optimization.
 - Assisted in experimental design and simulations of ultra-fast electron diffraction beamline.
- Undergraduate Research Assistant** *Universidad de Los Andes* Bogotá, Colombia 2016 - 2019
- Implemented supervised learning methods in variable stars classification.
 - Characterized entangled photon source in quantum optics lab.

Teaching Experience

- Graduate Teaching Assistant** *University of Chicago* Chicago, IL 2020 - present
- Conducting discussion sessions and labs of the following courses: Mechanics, Electromagnetism, and Waves and Heat.
- Trainee Teacher and Peer Tutor** *Universidad de Los Andes* Bogotá, Colombia 2018 - 2019
- Served as Physics Department tutor for students in the following courses: Physics I-II, Waves and Fluids, Modern Physics, and Mechanics.
 - Served as Sciences School tutor for students in the following courses: Precalculus, Calculus I-II-III, Linear Algebra I, Physics I-II, Probability and Statistics.
- Grader** *Universidad de Los Andes* Bogotá, Colombia 2016 - 2019
- Graded the following undergraduate courses: Electromagnetism I, Mathematical Methods for Physicists, Physics I and II, Probability I.

Honors and Awards

- Physical Sciences Division Fellowship** *Physical Sciences Division, University of Chicago* 2023
- Robert G. Sachs Fellowship** *Department of Physics, University of Chicago* 2021
- PAHBB Travel Grant** *Physics and Applications of High Brightness Beams, UCLA* 2023
- DPB APS April Meeting Travel Scholarship** *American Physical Society* 2022
- APS Braslau Family Travel Grant** *American Physical Society* 2022
- SURF Cornell Research Scholarship** *Universidad de Los Andes and Cornell University* 2019
- Summa Cum Laude degree in Physics** *Facultad de Ciencias, Universidad de Los Andes* 2019
- Distinción de Excelencia Semestral** *Departamento de Física, Universidad de Los Andes* 2018
- Distinción Alberto Magno Scholarship** *Universidad de Los Andes* 2014
- First Place - Colombian Physics Olympiad** *Olimpiadas Colombianas* 2013
- Honorable Mention - Iberoamerican Physics Olympiad** *Olimpiadas Iberoamericanas* 2013
- Second Place - Colombian Sciences Olympiad** *Olimpiadas Colombianas* 2012

Talks

Detailed Characterization of Coherent Synchrotron Radiation Effects using Generative Phase Space Reconstruction
4th Machine Learning Applications for Particle Accelerators

Gyeongju, South Korea 2024

Detailed Phase Space Reconstruction from a Limited Number of Beam Measurements Using Neural Networks and Differentiable Simulations
Physics and Applications of High Brightness Beams

San Sebastián, Spain 2024

Towards End-to-End Differentiable Accelerator Modeling
3rd Machine Learning Applications for Particle Accelerators

Chicago, IL 2022

Novel Accelerator Diagnostic Development for Multi-Objective Bayesian Optimization at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator Facility
American Physical Society April Meeting

USA (online) 2021

Poster Presentations

Towards Fully Differentiable Accelerator Modeling
14th International Particle Accelerator Conference

Venice, Italy 2023

Bayesian Active Learning for Autonomous Parameter Space Exploration in Particle Accelerators
American Physical Society April Meeting

New York, NY 2022

Beam Diagnostics for Multi-Objective Bayesian Optimization at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator Facility
12th International Particle Accelerator Conference

Brazil (online) 2021

Publication List

Kim, S., **Gonzalez-Aguilera, J. P.**, Piot, P., Chen, G., Doran, S., Kim, Y.-K., Liu, W., Whiteford, C., E., W., A., E., Roussel, R., & Power, J. (2024). Four-dimensional phase-space reconstruction of flat and magnetized beams using neural networks and differentiable simulations. *arXiv:2402.1824*. <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2402.18244>

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Mentoring

- Mentored three undergraduate students at Cornell and UChicago in accelerator physics summer projects.
- Served as a graduate mentor in *Python for Research* program at UChicago.

Skills

- **Programming:** Python, PyTorch, C++, Mathematica, Fortran, Julia, Java.

- **Computing:** Linux, Bash, High-Performance Computing, Parallel Computing, GPU Acceleration, \LaTeX .
- **Experimental:** Image post-processing, Electronics, Data Acquisition, Control System (EPICS), Laser Alignment, Particle Accelerator Components.
- **Soft Skills:** Leading Meetings, Teamwork Collaboration (remote and in-person), Presentation, Communication, Adaptation, Learning, Resilience, Critical Thinking, Teaching, Mentoring.

Areas of Expertise

Differentiable Simulations - Accelerator Physics - Computational Physics - Experimental Physics - Data Analysis
Probability - Statistics - Machine Learning - Bayesian Optimization - University Teaching - University Mentoring

References

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