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Education

PhD in Physics *University of Chicago* **Chicago, IL** *2025 (expected)*
Studying coherent synchrotron radiation in particle accelerators using high-dimensional ML-based phase space reconstruction algorithms.

MSc in Physics *University of Chicago* **Chicago, IL** *2022*
Characterized emittance in particle accelerator using Bayesian optimization.

BSc in Physics *(summa cum laude)* *Universidad de Los Andes* **Bogotá, Colombia** *2019*
Thesis: Classification of variable stars using supervised learning.

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant *University of Chicago and Argonne National Laboratory* **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.
- Mentored three undergraduate students in accelerator physics summer projects.
- Led accelerator group weekly meetings.

Post-baccalaureate Research Scholar *Cornell University* **Ithaca, NY** *2019 - 2020*
- Implemented genetic algorithms in particle accelerator multi-objective optimization.
- Assisted in design, simulations and experiments of ultra-fast electron diffraction beamline.
- Mentored an undergraduate student in experimental project.

Undergraduate Research Assistant *Universidad de Los Andes* **Bogotá, Colombia** *2018 - 2019*
- Implemented supervised learning methods in variable star 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.

***Python for Research* program Mentor** *University of Chicago* **Chicago, IL** *2024*
- Designed a research project for the *Python for Research* program.
- Mentored and guided five students.

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.
- Obtained first place in tutor evaluation ranking.

Grader *Universidad de Los Andes* **Bogotá, Colombia** *2017 - 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 *Departmento de Física, Universidad de Los Andes* *2018*
Distinción Alberto Magno *Universidad de Los Andes* *2014*
First Place (Absolute Winner) - 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 **Gyeongju, South Korea** *2024*
4th Machine Learning Applications for Particle Accelerators

Detailed Phase Space Reconstruction from a Limited Number of Beam Measurements Using Neural Networks and Differentiable Simulations **San Sebastián, Spain** *2023*
Physics and Applications of High Brightness Beams

Towards End-to-End Differentiable Accelerator Modeling **Chicago, IL** *2022*
3rd Machine Learning Applications for Particle Accelerators

Novel Accelerator Diagnostic Development for Multi-Objective Bayesian Optimization at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator Facility **USA (online)** *2021*
American Physical Society April Meeting

Poster Presentations

Towards Fully Differentiable Accelerator Modeling **Venice, Italy** *2023*
14th International Particle Accelerator Conference

Bayesian Active Learning for Autonomous Parameter Space Exploration in Particle Accelerators **New York, NY** *2022*
American Physical Society April Meeting

Beam Diagnostics for Multi-Objective Bayesian Optimization at the Argonne Wakefield Accelerator Facility **Brazil (online)** *2021*
12th International Particle Accelerator Conference

Publications

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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Roussel, R., Edelen, A., Ratner, D., Dubey, K., **Gonzalez-Aguilera, J. P.**, Kim, Y.-K., & Kuklev, N. (2022). Differentiable Preisach modeling for characterization and optimization of particle accelerator systems with hysteresis. *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, *128*, 204801. https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.128.204801

Roussel, R., **Gonzalez-Aguilera, J. P.**, Kim, Y.-K., Wisniewski, E., Liu, W., Piot, P., Power, J., Hanuka, A., & Edelen, A. (2021). Turn-key constrained parameter space exploration for particle accelerators using Bayesian active learning. *Nat. Commun.*, *12*(1), 5612. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-25757-3

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Skills

- **Programming Languages:** Python, PyTorch, C++, Mathematica, Fortran, Julia, Java.
- **Computer Skills:** Git, Linux, Bash, High-Performance Computing, Parallel Computing, GPU Acceleration, LaTeX.
- **Experimental Skills:** 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, Adept, Receptive, Resilient, 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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