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CURRENT ADDRESS

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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA Doctor of Philosophy, Physics (Experimental Particle Physics), May 2019 Masters of Science, Physics, May 2015

Duke University, Durham, NC Bachelor of Science, Physics (High Distinction), May 2013 Minors, Mathematics, May 2013

DISSERTATION

Measurement of Electroweak Production of Same-Sign W Boson Pairs with ATLAS. PhD thesis, May, 2019. http://cds.cern.ch/record/2674035. Presented 21 Feb, 2019.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: C++, Python
Data Analysis Frameworks: ROOT, PyROOT

Familiar: Unix-based OS, LATEX, Git, Java, Matlab, Fortran

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

ATLAS Experiment (CERN) University of Pennsylvania 2014-2019

Particle physics researcher Philadelphia, PA

Duke University 2010-2013 Durham, NC

ATLAS is one of the particle detector experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC) in Geneva, Switzerland. It is one of the largest scientific collaborations ever, consisting of over 3000 scientists stationed around the world and on-site at CERN.

Nearly ten years of research experience as a graduate and undergraduate student including physics measurements and detector performance studies. Projects typically are collaborative with a team of scientists working in parallel to complete the study. Research involves using ATLAS's data analysis framework as well as writing personal or project-specific analysis software to process the large volumes of data collected by the detector.

- Physics analysis (2011-2013, 2015-2019): Analysis of LHC collision data to identify and measure particle interactions, such as electroweak boson scattering, and compare to theoretical predictions. Candidate signal events passing specific criteria are selected by the analysis software and combined with modeling of relevant background processes in order to measure the physics process of interest. Estimation of the fake lepton background—a background that is difficult to model via Monte Carlo simulations—was a major component of the PhD thesis.
- Detector performance (2014-2019): High measurement accuracy is essential for precise physics measurements and is maintained through studies of ATLAS's performance. Physical movements of detector sensors that can occur during normal operation are accounted for by deriving and applying software-level corrections to the data when as it is being prepared for analysis.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Physics Lab
Teaching Assistant

University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA 2013-2014

Taught the laboratory component of the undergraduate introductory physics courses for classical mechanics and electricity and magnetism across three semesters. Responsibilities included lab demos and guidance, teaching necessary content if not covered in lecture, and lab report grading.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Measurement of same-sign WW diboson production at 13 TeV with the ATLAS detector. Meeting of the American Physical Society Division of Particles and Fields. Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Batavia, Illinois. July 31-August 4, 2017.

Alignment of the ATLAS Inner Detector in the LHC Run II. Poster presentation. XXVII International Symposium on Lepton Photon Interactions at High Energies. Ljubljana Exhibition and Convention Centre, Slovenia. August 17-22, 2015.

Searches for New Physics Using $W\gamma$ Production at the LHC. American Physical Society April Meeting. Denver, Colorado. April 14, 2013.

Search for Quartic Couplings in the $p+p \to W(\mu\nu) + \gamma\gamma$ Channel. Poster presentation. US ATLAS Annual Physics Workshop. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. August 14, 2012.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

ATLAS Collaboration, Observation of electroweak production of a same-sign WW boson pair in association with two jets in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector. Submitted to Phys. Rev. Lett. June 2019. arXiv:1906.03203 [hep-ex].

ATLAS Collaboration, Prospects for the measurement of the $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}$ scattering cross section and extraction of the longitudinal scattering component in pp collisions at the High-Luminosity LHC with the ATLAS experiment. CERN, Geneva, Dec, 2018. http://cds.cern.ch/record/2652447.

ATLAS Collaboration, Measurement of the $W^{\pm}Z$ boson pair-production cross section in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector. Phys. Lett. B762 (2016) 1-22, arXiv:1606.04017 [hep-ex].

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Played cello for nearly twenty years, was a member of the local youth orchestra in high school and the university orchestra in college.

Participated in a variety of intramural sports in college and graduate school including flag football, basketball, and ultimate frisbee.

Hosted and provided commentary for a number of speedrunning tournaments on Twitch for the game The Binding of Isaac as well as participating myself.