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DOCTORAL RESEARCHER

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Education

M. Sc. in Physics

KARLSRUHE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Thesis: *Bayesian Optimization of Injection Efficiency at KARA using Gaussian Processes*

[Karlsruhe, Germany](#)

Apr. 2018 - Jun. 2020

B. Sc. in Physics

KARLSRUHE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Thesis: *Investigation of the Long Term Stability of the EDELWEISS Muon Veto System*

[Karlsruhe, Germany](#)

Oct. 2014 - Apr. 2018

Experience

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

- **Deep Reinforcement Learning:** Applied DRL for automatic accelerator control tasks.
- **Bayesian Optimization:** Implemented BO algorithms for various automatic tuning tasks; Conducted experiments at multiple facilities, including the synchrotron KARA, the ARES linac, and the European XFEL.
- **NN-based Laser Modulation:** Built spatial light modulator setups for laser profile modulation; Trained U-Net based models to improve the modulation quality.
- **Surrogate Modelling:** Trained neural network surrogate models of a linear particle accelerator.

[Karlsruhe, Germany](#)

Jul. 2020 - Now

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANT, HIWI

- Research data management and storage
- Established metadata scheme

[Karlsruhe, Germany](#)

2018 - 2020

Publications

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Bayesian Optimization of the Beam Injection Process into a Storage Ring

Chenran Xu, Tobias Boltz, Akira Mochihashi, Andrea Santamaria Garcia, Marcel Schuh, Anke-Susanne Müller

PHYS. REV. ACCEL. BEAMS 26 (3 MAR. 2023) P. 034601. AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY, 2023. DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.26.034601](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.26.034601)

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Surrogate Modelling of the FLUTE Low-Energy Section

C. Xu, E. Bründermann, A.-S. Müller, A. Santamaria Garcia, J. Schäfer

Proc. IPAC'22, 2022. DOI: [10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUPOPT070](https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUPOPT070)

Optimization Studies of Simulated THz Radiation at FLUTE

C. Xu, E. Bründermann, A.-S. Müller, A. Santamaria Garcia, M. Schwarz, J. Schäfer

Proc. IPAC'22, 2022. DOI: [10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-WEPOMS023](https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-WEPOMS023)

Transverse and Longitudinal Modulation of Photoinjection Pulses at FLUTE

M. Nabinger, A.-S. Müller, M.J. Nasse, C. Sax, J. Schäfer, C. Widmann, **C. Xu**

Proc. IPAC'22, 2022. DOI: [10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUPOPT068](https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2022-TUPOPT068)

Machine Learning Based Spatial Light Modulator Control for the Photoinjector Laser at FLUTE

C. Xu, E. Bründermann, A. Eichler, A.-S. Müller, M.J. Nasse, A. Santamaria Garcia, C. Sax, C. Widmann

Proc. IPAC'21, 2021. DOI: [10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPAB289](https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-WEPAB289)

First Steps Toward an Autonomous Accelerator, a Common Project Between DESY and KIT

A. Eichler, E. Bründermann, F. Burkart, J. Kaiser, W. Kuroпка, A. Santamaria Garcia, O. Stein, **C. Xu**

Proc. IPAC'21, 2021. DOI: [10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-TUPAB298](https://doi.org/10.18429/JACoW-IPAC2021-TUPAB298)

Selected Talks and Posters

DPG Spring Meeting of the Matter and Cosmos Section

TALK: *BEAM TRAJECTORY CONTROL WITH LATTICE-AGNOSTIC REINFORCEMENT LEARNING*

[Dresden, Germany](#)

2023

3rd ICFA Beam Dynamics Mini-Workshop on ML Applications for Particle Accelerators

Chicago, US

POSTER: *FAST THZ RADIATION OPTIMIZATION FOR LINEAR ACCELERATOR USING SURROGATE MODEL*

2022

10th MT ARD ST3 Meeting

Berlin, Germany

SPEED TALK & POSTER: *BAYESIAN OPTIMIZATION OF SIMULATED THZ RADIATION AT FLUTE*

2022

DPG Spring Meeting Mainz22

Mainz, Germany

TALK: *OPTIMIZATION STUDIES OF SIMULATED THZ RADIATION AT FLUTE*

2022

9th MT ARD ST3 Meeting

Hamburg, Germany

INVITED TALK: *TOWARDS AUTOMATIC TUNING AND CONTROL OF ACCELERATORS*

2021

DPG Spring Meeting AKBP

Dortmund, Germany

TALK: *BAYESIAN OPTIMIZATION OF INJECTION EFFICIENCY AT KARA USING GAUSSIAN PROCESSES*

2021

Teaching

KIT: Analysis I-II, Further Mathematics I-III

TEACHING ASSISTANT & TUTOR

2016-2018

KIT: Classical Experimental Physics I

TEACHING ASSISTANT

2021

TU Darmstadt: Numerical Methods of Accelerator Physics

GUEST LECTURE: *BAYESIAN OPTIMIZATION*

2022

Skills

Technical Skills Python, C++, Matlab, Latex, Git

DevOps Docker, Apptainer

Languages Chinese (*native*)
English, German (*professional*)

Organization and Outreach

2022 **Co-Organizer**, 10th MT-ARD-ST3 Pre-Meeting Machine Learning Workshop

Hamburg,
Germany

2023 **Co-Organizer**, 1st Collaboration Workshop on Reinforcement Learning for Autonomous Accelerators

Karlsruhe,
Germany

2023 **Maintainer**, RL4AA Collaboration Github organization and website: [rl4aa.github.io](https://github.com/rl4aa)