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3. Bright Southern Variable Stars in the bRing Survey

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Curriculum vitae

I was born in Zoetermeer, the Netherlands, in 1996, and grew up there and in neighbouring Bergschenhoek. I attended Passe Partout primary school from 2000–2006 and from 2006–2012 I attended Erasmus College Zoetermeer, from which I obtained my vwo/gymnasium high school diploma.

I started my Bachelor's degrees in physics and astronomy at Leiden University in 2012. In my second year, I participated in a research project involving observations of the Sagittarius stellar stream using the Isaac Newton Telescope on La Palma, Spain. I graduated cum laude from both degrees in 2015 with a thesis titled *iSPEX: Quantitative Spectroscopy on a Smartphone*, supervised by Frans Snik and Christoph Keller. In that thesis, we attempted to empirically correct the errors caused by JPEG compression, achieving limited success and laying the groundwork for Chapter 3 five years down the line.

I continued my studies in Leiden by pursuing a Master's degree in Research in Astronomy from 2015–2017. This programme included elective computer science courses, studying data mining techniques and neural networks. For my first research project, I worked with Ignas Snellen on the detection and characterisation of bright variable stars using the Multi-site All-Sky CAmeRA (MASCARA). This project eventually led to a publication in Astronomy & Astrophysics, as listed in the previous section. I worked with Anthony Brown for my second research project, investigating the velocities of stars in the solar neighbourhood using the first Gaia data release (DR1). We used the extreme deconvolution (XD) statistical technique to infer the six-dimensional position-velocity distribution of stars from the five-dimensional DR1 data, which did not include radial velocity measurements. Our results hinted towards previously unknown structures in the stellar velocity distribution, which were later confirmed by other groups using DR2. I graduated cum laude in 2017.

I worked as a teaching assistant (TA) on the *Praktische Sterrenkunde* (Practical Astronomy) course from 2015–2020. This course exposed first-year Bachelor's students to all aspects of astronomical work, including data acquisition with a telescope, data analysis in Python, and academic writing. As a TA, I was involved in every aspect of the course, including teaching practicals, grading reports, and building instrumentation. In 2017, I worked with Frans Snik on a LEGO[®] replica of the Paranal Very Large Telescope (VLT) complex, commissioned by the European Southern Observatory (ESO).

With the astronomy student association L.A.D. 'F. Kaiser', I organised a series of public lectures on astronomy, the Kaiser Spring Lectures, in 2016. We welcomed >300 guests over the course of four lectures. From 2016–2017 I also served as the chair-treasurer for Kaiser.

In 2018, I started my PhD at Leiden University, working in the astronomy and environmental sciences departments under supervision of Frans Snik and Martina Vijver, with Christoph Keller as an additional promotor. My research (Chapters 1–7) was part of the Horizon 2020 consortium MONOCLE. In 2019, I attended the Ocean Optics course at the University of Maine, sponsored by NASA and EUMETSAT. I have attended and presented at several conferences, including SPIE Defense + Commercial Sensing, PittCon, and RSPSoc's Wavelength conference, and co-organised the 2018 Remote Sensing in Ecology workshop in Leiden. I have served as a peer reviewer for the journals Applied Optics, Biomedical Optics Express, Optics Express, and Photogrammetric Engineering & Remote Sensing. Finally, I have given guest lectures on remote sensing and polarimetry in several courses at Leiden University and the University of Siena.

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My research was part of the Horizon 2020 consortium MONOCLE and I would like to thank all participants for the pleasant collaborations, field campaigns, and even committee meetings. I am especially thankful to Jess Heard and Stefan Simis for leading the consortium and for always offering a helping hand.

My primary collaborator for smartphone science has been Norbert Schmidt, whom I would like to thank for his enthusiastic work on the SPECTACLE and iSPEX 2 apps, even as I kept suggesting new features. Equally, I would like to thank Armand Perduijn for all the energy poured into designing and producing iSPEX 2 and into teaching me how to think like an engineer – I'll get it one day! I am also grateful to everyone else at DDQ and BLS for their important contributions, in particular Rob van Hek and Joep van der Heiden.

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I conclude this thesis with a paraphrase from *Cynegeticus*²⁹, written almost 2000 years ago by Arrian of Nicomedia:

For I myself, you know, have raised a hound with eyes as grey as the greyest, and he is both fast and diligent and of good spirit and most gentle. [...] And so I think I should not hesitate to record the name of the hound, because truly I have a most swift, most wise, and most wonderful hound, whose name is Dorus.

²⁹Following the translation in *Lives in Interaction: Animal 'Biographies' in Graeco-Roman Literature?*, Thorsten Fögen (2017), doi:10.1515/9783110545623-005.