

Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Milestones

Oct. 2000 – Sep. 2005 **Diplom- Ingenieur** (with distinction) in Mechanical Engineering-
Economics, Graz University of Technology, Austria

Aug. 2004 – Feb. 2005 **Diploma Thesis** – “Vibration control of plate-like structures” at Victoria
University of Technology, Melbourne, Australia; a self-organised
exchange programme

Jul. 2005 – Sep. 2005 **Internship** in ALICE group at CERN, Geneva, Switzerland - Structural
building of ion detector

Oct. 2005 – Mar. 2009 **Doktor der technischen Wissenschaften** (with distinction) in
Mechanical Engineering, Graz University of Technology, Austria
Doctoral Thesis (supervisor Prof. Christian Celigoj) – “A Green-Naghdi
approach to finite anisotropic rate-independent and rate-dependent
thermo-plasticity in logarithmic Lagrangean strain-entropy space”

Oct. 2005 – Oct. 2009 **Scientific Assistant** at Institute of Strength of Materials, Graz University
of Technology, Austria

Feb. 2010 – Dec. 2010 **Post-Doctoral Fellow** at Department of Mechanical Engineering,
University of California at Berkeley, USA (group of Prof. Panayiotis
Papadopoulos)

Jan. 2011 – Jun. 2016 **Assistant Professor** at Institute of Strength of Materials, Graz
University of Technology, Austria

since Jan. 2011 **Deputy Head** of the Institute of Strength of Materials, Graz University
of Technology, Austria

Sep. 2014 **Research stay** at the Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New
York University, NY, USA

Jan. 2011 – May 2016 **Habilitation** in the field “mechanics”, Graz University of Technology,
Austria; Habilitation Thesis - “Atomistic-on-continuum coupling with
applications to spatial averaging of atomistic stress and hierarchical
multiscale methods”

since Jul. 2016 **Associate Professor** at Institute of Strength of Materials, Graz
University of Technology, Austria

Jan. 2019 **Research stay** at the Department of Applied Mechanics, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India

Main areas of research

Computational Mechanics, in particular:

- (i) Investigation of atomistic-to-continuum coupling in solid mechanics. Application of molecular dynamics on the atomistic level and finite element method on the continuum level in concurrent and hierarchical multiscale settings. Researching the choice of the spatial averaging domain in atomistic definitions of continuum quantities (stress, heat flux, etc.).
- (ii) Researching the multiplicative and additive approach to thermo-plasticity including the plastic spin concept.
- (iii) Developing a viscoelastic-viscoplastic model suitable for pulp fibres. Extending to deformation-diffusion coupling for modelling paper curling. Model calibration with data from DMA and AFM experiments.

Academic research achievements

Oct. 2014 **Award for excellent teaching** in the category "Young Teachers" – Graz University of Technology, Austria

Oct. 2016 **Invitation as a lecturer** on "Statistical Mechanics" at COMMAS Summer School 2016 October 10th-14th at the University of Stuttgart, Germany

since Jun. 2017 **Key researcher** in the "CD Laboratory for Fiber Swelling and Paper Performance" at Graz University of Technology

Jun. 2018 **Approval of grant** "DST-BMWFW Joint Call for Proposals: India-Austria Scientific & Technological Cooperation Programme" for 2018-2020" (in cooperation with Assoc.Prof. P. Ghosh, IIT Madras), No. IN 24/2018, 17510 Euro

Academic responsibilities **Supervision** of 2 ongoing dissertations, supervision of 9 successfully completed and 1 ongoing Master's theses

Scientific community **Referee** for: Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids, Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering, Applied Mechanics Reviews, Modelling and Simulation in Materials Science and Engineering, International Journal of Solids and Structures, Technische Mechanik, Journal of Mining and Metallurgy - Section B: Metallurgy, Journal of Physical Chemistry

Refereed journal publications of the last 5 years

1. P. Loidolt, M.H. Ulz, and J. Khinast. Prediction of the anisotropic mechanical properties of compacted powders. Powder Technol., 345:589–600, 2019. DOI: [10.1016/j.powtec.2019.01.048](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.powtec.2019.01.048)
2. P. Loidolt, M.H. Ulz, and J. Khinast. Modeling yield properties of compacted powder using

- a multi-particle finite element model with cohesive contacts. *Powder Technol.*, 336:426–440, 2018. DOI: [10.1016/j.powtec.2018.06.018](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.powtec.2018.06.018)
3. P.Wurm and M.H. Ulz. A stochastic approximation approach to improve the convergence behavior of hierarchical atomistic-to-continuum multiscale models. *J. Mech. Phys. Solids*, 95:480–500, 2016. DOI: [10.1016/j.jmps.2016.05.024](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmps.2016.05.024)
 4. T. Ebner, U. Hirn, W. J. Fischer, F. J. Schmied, R. Schennach, and M.H. Ulz. A proposed failure mechanism for pulp fiber-fiber joints. *BioResources*, 11:9596–9610, 2016. DOI: [10.15376/biores.11.4.9596-9610](https://doi.org/10.15376/biores.11.4.9596-9610)
 5. M.H. Ulz. A multiscale molecular dynamics method for isothermal dynamic problems using the seamless heterogeneous multiscale method. *Comput. Meth. Appl. Mech. Eng.*, 295:510–524, 2015. DOI: [10.1016/j.cma.2015.07.019](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cma.2015.07.019)
 6. M.H. Ulz. Coupling the finite element method and molecular dynamics in the framework of the heterogeneous multiscale method for quasi-static isothermal problems. *J. Mech. Phys. Solids*, 74:1–18, 2015. DOI: [10.1016/j.jmps.2014.10.002](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmps.2014.10.002)