# **Daniel Egbo**

#### Data Scientist

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Analytical Research Specialist with one year of experience in experimental and reproducible research in Astrophysics, Data Science and Machine learning. Created over 3000 new MeerKAT multi-wavelength catalog of stars from the recently launched MeerKAT telescope using cross-correlation methodologies, Bayesian statistics and python programming.



#### Skills

- OS: Linux, MacOS, Windows (6 years)
- Version Control: Git, Github, Bitbucket (3 years)
- Programming Language: Python, R, OOP, Testing, Logging (4 years)
- Reproducible Research: Experiment Design, Literature Review, Data Collection, Open source, Report Generation (2 years)
- Visualization: Matplotlib, Seaborn, Plotly, ggplot2, Tableau (3 years)
- Data Analysis: Numpy, Pandas, Scipy, Statsmodels, Tidyverse (3 years)
- Machine Learning: Sklearn, Tensorflow, NLTK, Spacy (2 years)
- Web scraping: Request, Scrapy, Beautiful-soup, rvest (2 years)
- Database: SQL Postgresql, NoSQL MongoDB (1 year)
- Containers: Docker (1 year)
- Analysis Methods: Statistics, Descriptive, Regression, Multivariate, Cluster, EDA, Hypothesis testing (3 years)
- Documentation: MS Office, Libre Office, Google Docs, LaTeX (4 years)



## **Work History**

#### 2021-02 - Current Research Scientist

South African Astronomical Observatory, Cape Town, Western Cape

- Researched on cross-correlation methodologies and statistical analysis of MeerKAT surveys with other waveband and discovered over 3000 optical counterparts.
- Used exploratory data analysis in studying, evaluating and summarizing 9 catalogs from virtual observatories.

- Combined 5 catalog data and implemented machine learning technique to classify optical transients.
- Performed research duties per Professor's request that yielded 3 research outputs.
- Employed reproducible research methodology and open source techniques to increase research group output by 15%.
- Collaborated with research group to plan, modify, execute and improve research techniques, procedures and outputs by 20% in 2021.
- Gathered, reviewed, and summarized 57 literatures from journals and produced over 30 graphs and other scientific calculations using Python.
- Participated in company meetings and events and made presentations on 3 occasions.
- Obtained quality data on 7 occasions for research group and maintained confidentiality of the data products.

#### Machine Learning Intern

Ubenwa Health, Enugu, Enugu

- Performed signal processing, analysis of clinical data and improved prediction by 5%.
- Developed 7 advanced graphic visualization concepts to map and simplify analysis of heavily-numeric data and reports.
- Transformed raw data to conform to assumptions of machine learning algorithm and increased data quality by 7%.
- Researched, designed and implemented machine learning applications to solve problems affecting Infant kids with asphyxia infections and improved model accuracy from 87% to 92%.
- Maintained interpersonal communication in interactions, enriching team collaboration and customer relationships on Ubenwa project.
- Collaborated with 5 multi-disciplinary product development teams to identify performance improvement opportunities and integrate trained models.

# **Education**

## Ph.D.: Astronomy

University of Cape Town - Western Cape

- Continuing education in Astronomy.
- Researching on astrophysical methods for identifying same objects detected in different wavelengths.
- Cleaned MeerKAT survey data and improved data quality by 20%.
- Received SAAO PhD Prize Scholarship.

## Master of Science: Astronomy

University of Nigeria - Nsukka

2020-09 - 2021-01

2021-04 - Current

2017-01 - 2018-12

- Relevant Coursework Completed: Theoretical Physics & Computational Physics.
- Elected Student Representative of Physics Department.
- Member of Astronomical Society of Nigeria.
- Received the 2018 African-German Network of Excellence in Science Mobility Grant.

## Bachelor of Science: Physics & Astronomy

University of Nigeria - Nsukka

- Relevant Coursework Completed: Calculus & Statistical Physics.
- Emerged as top best 10% of the class.
- Led 5 team members to compete at the Business competition in India and came 7th out of 15.

# Certifications

**Award** 

Scientific Computing & Python Programming, WorldQuant

Introduction to Machine Learning, Kaggle

Data Science Summer School, ESCAPE

# AGNES Mobility Grant Recipient

 Recipient of the African-German Network of Excellence in Science (AGNES) Inter-Africa Mobility Grant for Junior Researchers. AGNES is funded by the German Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) and supported by the Alexander von Humboldt (AvH) Foundation.

#### SAAO Prize PhD Scholarship

 Received the 2020 South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO) Prize PhD Scholarship at the University of Cape Town. SAAO is a South Africa National Research Foundation (NRF) funded Research Institute.

2010-10 - 2014-08

2021-07

2021-05

2021-07

2018-08

2019-09