

# JOSEPH EARLY

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## EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

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**The Alan Turing Institute and University of Southampton** 2019 - 2023 (Ongoing)  
*PhD Candidate*

- PhD with the Agents, Interaction, and Complexity group at the University of Southampton (UoS).
- Fully funded by The Alan Turing Institute (ATI) Doctoral Studentship.
- Researching Interpretable Multiple Instance Learning, with applications in high-resolution imaging.
- Collaborated with UoS Cancer Sciences department. Lead to an award-winning publication.
- Worked within the ATI on regulation of AI. Lead to two publications in law journals.
- Attended the Climate Change AI Summer School (2022). Lead to publications in AI for climate change.
- UoS Three Minute Thesis 2022 Finalist with *Explainable AI for High Resolution Images*.
- Reviewer for Nature Scientific Reports & Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems conference.
- Co-founder of the ATI's [Entrepreneurship Interest Group](#). Hosted five events in 2021/2022.
- Student representative for the ATI 2019/20 Doctoral Cohort. Engagement with ATI Management.
- Teaching and marking for UoS undergraduate and master's modules. UoS 2021 Teaching Award winner.
- Published [software](#) (600+ downloads per month). Published [articles](#) (6000+ reads per month).
- Interviewed on the BBC World Service Digital Planet podcast discussing AI for suicide risk prevention.
- Contributed to open source software: PyTorch and PyTorch Vision.

**University of Southampton** 2015 - 2019  
*Integrated MEng Computer Science* *First Class Honours, Average Grade: 83%*

### Key Modules

- Computer Vision (86%)
- Machine Learning (80%)
- Simulation Modelling (92%)
- Intelligent Systems (88%)
- Programming Language Concepts (86%)
- Intelligent Agents (81%)
- Evolution of Complexity (91%)
- Deep Learning (86%)
- Reinforcement and Online Learning (86%)
- Advanced Machine Learning (74%)
- Awarded the Winton Capital Management Prize for top student in Computer Science.
- Won the Master's Group Design Project award for *Detection of Anomalies in IoT Environments* (81%).
- Completed a dissertation *Reducing Catastrophic Forgetting when Evolving Neural Networks* (81%).

## KEY PUBLICATIONS

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- Non-Markovian Reward Modelling from Trajectory Labels via Interpretable Multiple Instance Learning, *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2022.
- Model Agnostic Interpretability for Multiple Instance Learning, *International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)*, 2022.
- Scene-to-Patch Earth Observation: Multiple Instance Learning for Land Cover Classification, *NeurIPS Workshop: Tackling Climate Change with Machine Learning*, 2022.
- Revisiting Deep Fisher Vectors: Using Fisher Information to Improve Object Classification, *British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, 2022.

- A Risk-based Approach to AI Regulation: System Categorisation and Explainable AI Practices, *SCRIPTed: A Journal of Law, Technology & Society*, 2022.
- Digital Pathology and Machine Learning for Prediction of Response to Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Oesophageal Adenocarcinoma, *Journal of Pathology*, 2021.
- Non-Asimov Explanations Regulating AI Through Transparency, *Nordic Yearbook of Law and Informatics*, 2021.

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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<b>Programming</b>	Python, PyTorch, Jupyter Notebooks, Bash, Java, C/C++, JavaScript
<b>Software</b>	Git, LaTeX, Google Colab, Microsoft Office, Linux OS, VirtualBox, Microsoft Azure
<b>Techniques</b>	Supervised Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Computer Vision, Generative Models Deep Learning, Genetic Algorithms, High Performance Computing

## WORK HISTORY AND EXPERIENCE

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**BOON** 2018 – 2019  
*Machine Learning Developer*

- Worked for a start-up as part of the University of Southampton Future Worlds accelerator.
- Developed significant improvements to machine learning systems (50% increase in model performance).
- Heavy involvement in design and development of new systems, as well as contributing to the overall progress of the company by attending events and networking.

**DSTL Group Design Project** 2018 - 2019  
*Project Leader, Backend Engineer, and Machine Learning Developer*

- Project leader (team of four) for the Group Design Project in final year of University.
- Specialised development using machine learning to detect anomalies in IoT sensor activity.
- Developed leadership skills to co-ordinate a team comprising of different specialities.

**University of Southampton Summer Internship** 2018  
*Research Assistant*

- 12-week summer internship between third and fourth year of University.
- Worked in a research team developing a Responsible AI platform for Multi-UAV Coordination.

**Roke Manor Research Summer Internship** 2017  
*Full-stack Developer*

- 8-week summer internship; data consolidation and web development project.
- Took an active role in project development such as organising meetings with clients.

**ACM and IEEEExtreme** 2016 - 2017  
*Competitive Programmer*

- Competed in the 2017 UK and North Western European ACM programming competitions (NWERC).
- Placed first in the UK, and top 10% worldwide in 2017 IEEEExtreme 24-hour coding competition.

## INTERESTS

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- University of Southampton Societies 2015 - 2022
  - Engineers Rugby, Road Cycling, Chess Club, and Mountaineering Club

## REFERENCES

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Available upon request