Jens Egholm Pedersen Born: 1988, Denmark

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Education

2019-2025 **PhD in Computer Science**, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden.

Sep. (est) Thesis: Neuromorphic computing in space and time.

Advisors: Jörg Conradt (KTH) and Arvind Kumar (KTH, Karolinska Institute).

Research stay: Stanford University, supervised by Sadasivan Shankar.

2016-2019 **MSc in IT** & Cognition, University of Copenhagen.

Thesis: Modelling learning systems in spiking and artificial neural networks.

2011-2015 **BSc in Computer Science**, IT-University of Copenhagen.

Thesis: Predictable firm real-time Java. In collaboration with CERN.

2009-2011 **BSc in Political Science**, University of Aarhus, Denmark.

Thesis: Proxy voting in the European Union.

Honours, Grants & awards

- 2025 Wallenberg-Bienenstock Postdoctoral Fellowship Program at Stanford University, USA.
- Mahowald Early Career Award for work on the Neuromorphic Intermediate Representation.
- NSF AccelNet NeuroPAC Fellowship at Stanford University, USA.
- 2022 2025 Several compute grants for Swedish National Infrastructure.

Peer-reviewed publications (* indicates equal authorship)

- G. D'Angelo*, **J. E. Pedersen***, T. Hassan, M. Cianchetti, J. Bongard, F. Iida, G. Indiveri, M. Hoffmann, C. Laschi, C. D. Luca, C Bartolozzi, E. Donati. "A Benchmarking Framework for Embodied Neuromorphic Agents". *In review*.
- J. E. Pedersen, J. Conradt, & T. Lindeberg. "Covariant spatio-temporal receptive fields for spiking neural networks". Nature Communications [IF: 17.69].
- J. P. Romero B., D. Korakovounis, **J. E. Pedersen**, J. Conradt. "Low-latency neuromorphic air hockey player". Neuromorphic Computing and Engineering [IF: 6.1].
- J. E. Pedersen*, S. Abreau*, J. Eshraghian, et al. "The Neuromorphic Intermediate Representation". Nature Communications [IF: 17.69].
- S. Abreau*, **J. E. Pedersen***, K. Heckel*, & A. Pierro. "Q-S₅: Towards Quantized State Space Models." ICML Next Generation of Sequence Modeling Architectures [Acceptance rate: 30.5%].
- S. Abreau, **J. E. Pedersen**. "Neuromorphic Programming: Emerging Directions for Brain-Inspired Hardware". International Conference on Neuromorphic Computing Systems.
- A. Geminiani, J. Kathrein, ..., **J. E. Pedersen** et al. "Multidisciplinary and collaborative training in neuroscience: Insights from the Human Brain Project Education Programme". Neuroinformatics [IF: 2.7].
- J. E. Pedersen, R. Singhal, & J. Conradt. "Translation and Scale Invariance for Event-Based Object tracking". Neuro Inspired Computational Elements Conference (NICE).
- J. E. Pedersen & J. Conradt. "AEStream: Accelerated event-based processing with coroutines." Neuro Inspired Computational Elements Conference (NICE).
- J. P. Romero B., L. A. Plana, A. Rowley, M. Hessel, **J. E. Pedersen**, S. Furber, J. Conradt. "A High-Throughput Low-Latency Interface Board for SpiNNaker-in-the-loop Real-Time Systems." ICONS International Conference on Neuromorphic Systems.
- J. Mogensen, N. Dauggaard, S. Kitsios, **J. E. Pedersen**, M. Overgaard. "Understanding the neurocognitive organization as strategies rather than functions: Implications for neurological research." *EC Neurology*.

Open-access publications (* indicates equal authorship)

- P. Taborsky, I. Colonnelli, K. Kurowski, R. Sarma, N. H. Pontoppidan, B. Jansík, N. S. Detlefsen, J. E. Pedersen, R. Larsen, L. K. Hansen. "Towards a European HPC/AI ecosystem: a community-driven report." Proceedings of the Second EuroHPC user day.
- J. Turner, **J. E. Pedersen**, J. Conradt, & T Nowotny, "Event-based dataset for classification and pose estimation." Neuro Inspired Computational Elements Conference (NICE).
- J. E. Pedersen*, C. Pehle*, "Norse Spiking neural network for deep learning." Zenodo.

Professional Experience

- External lecturer, IT-University of Copenhagen, Denmark. I planned and taught courses on Python and data science to 500+ students with outstanding reviews (≥ 5.2/6.0).
- Adjunct professor, Copenhagen Business Academy, Denmark. I lectured on machine learning, artificial intelligence, business analytics and distributed systems infrastructure to 150+students with outstanding reviews.
- Chief Technology Officer, Mobilized Construction, Denmark, Kenya. I designed a globally distributed software stack, managed 15+ team members in US, Wales, Kazakhstan, and Kenya.
- **Software engineer**, CERN, Switzerland. I developed and maintained critical monitoring tool-chain and testbed infrastructure for the Large Hadron Collider.

Selected talks

- Open-Source Neuromorphic Research Infrastructure Open Neuromorphic Workshop.
- Reproducibility and interoperability in neuromorphic computing Nengo Summer School.
- NIR: A unified instruction set for brain-inspired computing Telluride Neuromorphic Cognition Engineering Workshop and Spiking Neural networks as Universal Function Approximators
- Translation and Scale Invariance for Event-Based Object tracking Neuro Inspired Computational Elements Conference (NICE).
- The need for neuromorphic abstractions Open Neuromorphic workshop.
- Norse: A library for gradient-based learning in Spiking Neural Networks Workshop on Spiking Neural networks as Universal Function Approximators (SNUFA).

Supervision experience

I supervised 10+ students during my work as a PhD student at KTH, adjunct professor at Copenhagen Business Academy, and CTO for Mobilized Construction. They resulted in multiple community contributions and published work. Selected projects are listed below.

- Oskar Strömberg, Event-based vision with spiking vision transformers, KTH, MSc.
- Philpp Mondorff, Spiking Reinforcement Learning for Robust Robot Control, KTH, MSc.
- Merlin Sewina, Decoding EEG with Spiking and Artificial Neural Networks, KTH, MSc.
- Mikkel Ziemer, Building CERN's Control System, CPHBusiness, BSc.

Community Contributions

I am driving development of several widely-used neuromorphic computing libraries (NIR, Norse, AEStream, Faery) with over 500,000 downloads. I review for several neuromorphic venues, including the Journal of Neuromorphic Computing and Engineering, the Neuro Inspired Computational Elements Conference (NICE), and the International Conference on Neuromorphic Systems (ICONS). I have organized and led numerous events including at the Telluride Neuromorphic Cognition Engineering Workshop and CapoCaccia Workshop toward Neuromorphic Intelligence. Finally, I am chairing the *Open Neuromorphic Community*.