



Michael Lambrecht

Data Scientist

Data scientist working mainly with Python on various machine learning projects. Holds a first-class MSc and has worked on environmental related projects around the world. Passionate about data science and the applications of machine learning, particularly related to remote sensing. I am proficient in using Python, GIS software, HTML, and CSS. Being committed to continuous development, I am currently learning MLops.

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📍 Cape Town

EDUCATION

University of Cape Town
UCT - Environmental Science (85%)
2020 - 2022

University of Cape Town
BSc Honours Biological Science (78%)
2016 - 2019

Online MOOCS
MIT Python Programming (98%),
Machine Learning,
Deep Learning for Remote Sensing
2023

SKILLS

- Spatial Data Analysis
- Python Programming
- Data Science
- Machine Learning
- Critical Thinking
- Continuous learning and rapid skill acquisition

WORK EXPERIENCE

Associate Researcher 2022 - 2024

University of Cape Town | South Africa

Currently testing the feasibility of using machine learning and deep learning models to map mining impacts on the West Coast of South Africa. Responsible for maintaining a geospatial database of mining applications and mapping the fishing locations of small-scale fishers in South Africa.

Agricultural Researcher 2023

EFTAS | Germany and Czech Republic

Freelance work for EFTAS working on the European Monitoring of Biodiversity in Agricultural Landscapes (EMBAL) project. EMBAL is an EU funded surveying project which aims to assess land cover and land use by determining present habitat types (EUNIS classification). Went on a one week training camp in Germany and then worked in the Czech Republic mapping field boundaries and performing biodiversity surveys.

Field Technician 2022

Panthera | Saudi Arabia

Spent three months working as a field technician for Panthera and the Arabian Leopard Initiative. The work involved setting up and monitoring camera trap stations in remote mountainous regions across Saudi Arabia and basic processing of the imagery.

Project Manager 2022

City of Cape Town | Cape Town

Worked as a project manager on a pilot project to rehabilitate a portion of the Liesbeek River canal in Cape Town, South Africa funded by the Dutch Foreign Ministry. Palmiet seedlings were planted into the river to stabilise the soil. Research into water quality, biodiversity and the social impacts of the rehabilitation was conducted to determine a baseline of the river environment. This work was being done in conjunction with the City of Cape Town, the University of Cape Town, the Dutch Foreign Ministry, Hogeschool Rotterdam, and the Friends of the Liesbeek.

REFERENCES

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