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Education

2015-today	Ph.D. University of Edinburgh Thesis Title: Inference and Generalization in Humans and Machines Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Christopher Lucas, Prof. Dr. Subramanian Ramamoorthy
2012–2015	MSc. Cognitive Science, University of Osnabrück Thesis Title: Causal Reasoning and the Markov Assumption in a Physical Microworld Thesis Grade: 1.0 (A), Overall Grade: 1.0 (Distinction)
	Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Frank Jäkel, Prof. Dr. David Lagnado
2010-2011	New Bulgarian University Semester abroad
2008–2013	BSc. Cognitive Science, University of Osnabrück Thesis Title: Categorization in Chess Thesis Grade: 1.0 (A), Overall Grade: 1.2 (Distinction) Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Frank Jäkel

Academic & Research Experience

2018-2019	TA, Tutor & Marker for Computational Cognitive Science, University of Edinburgh, UK
	Developing materials for the tutorials in R. Tutoring and marking an undergraduate-level class in computational modeling.
2016-2018	TA, Tutor, Demonstrator & Marker for Introduction to Cognitive Science, University of Edinburgh, UK Developing materials for the exercises, labs and assignments in Python. Tutoring and demonstrating an introductory course in Cognitive Science.
2017	Internship at the Alan Turing Institute, London, UK During the three month internship I developed and implemented a prototype app to allow citizen engagement through interactive explanations.
2014	Research Assistant in the Cognitive Modeling Group, University of Osnabrück, Germany Developing, programming, running and analyzing human categorization experiments.
2014	Research Internship at the Causal Cognition Lab, University College London, UK Three month visit during which I developed experimental designs and researched causal cognition.
2013-2014	Tutor for Multivariate Statistics, University of Osnabrück, Germany Tutoring of psychology master students in multivariate statistics. Supervision of theoretical and SPSS exercises.

Publications

- Pablo León-Villagrá and Frank Jäkel. "Categorization and Abstract Similarity in Chess". In: *Proceedings of the 35th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society* (2013).
- Alexander Matthews et al. "GPflow: A Gaussian process library using TensorFlow". In: *The Journal of Machine Learning Research* 18.1 (2017), pp. 1299–1304.
- Pablo León-Villagrá, Sarwar Islam, et al. "You guessed it! Reflecting on preconceptions and exploring data without statistics". In: *Proceedings of the 2nd European Data and Computational Journalism Conference*. University College Dublin. 2018, p. 11.
- Pablo León-Villagrá, Irina Preda, and Christopher G Lucas. "Data Availability and Function Extrapolation". In: Proceedings of the 40th Annual Conference of the Cognitive Science Society (2018).

Presentations

2018 | Talk: Darmstadt, Germany

Title: Data availability and function extrapolation

14th biannual conference of the German Society for Cognitive Science

Best Presentation Award

2017 Poster Presentation: London, UK

Title: Identifying Causal Direction in the Two-Variable Case

39th Annual Cognitive Science Conference

2017 Talk: Osnabrück, Germany

Title: Human-like Function Learning and Transfer

Colloquium of the Institute of Cognitive Science

2016 | Poster Presentation: Windsor, UK

Title: Human-like Function Learning and Transfer

Workshop: Human-Like Computing Machine Intelligence Workshop

2015 | Talk: Kunsthaus Muerz, Austria

Title: Kausales Denken - Bayesianische Modelle im Dialog mit der Wiener'schen

Denkpsychologie

Symposium: Oswald Wiener: Selbstbeobachtung - Denkpsychologie

2015 Poster Presentation: Möhnesee-Günne, Germany

Title: Categorization in Chess

Interdisciplinary College, Möhnesee-Günne

Scholarships

2015–2018 | Ph.D. Scholarship

School of Informatics, Institute for Language, Cognition and Computation

Software

Actionscript, TEX, MATLAB, Python, Scala, SPSS, JavaScript

Languages

German Mother tongue Spanish Mother tongue

English | Fluent