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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Heriot-Watt University

October 2025 - Present

Postdoctoral Research Associate

School of Engineering and Physical Sciences, Institute of Sensors Signals and Systems

Supervisor: Prof. Yoann Altmann

Heriot-Watt University

October 2023 - October 2025

Postdoctoral Research Associate

School of Mathematical and Computer Sciences & Maxwell Institute for Mathematical Sciences

Supervisor: Prof. Audrey Repetti

ACADEMIC HISTORY

University of Cambridge

October 2018 - March 2023

PhD in Applied Mathematics

Centre for Analysis, Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics

Supervisor: Prof. Martin Benning, Prof. Carola-Bibiane Schönlieb

Thesis title: *Neural Network Training and Inversion with a Bregman Framework*

New York University

October 2016 – July 2018

MS in Data Science

Centre for Data Science, Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences

University of California, Los Angeles

October 2012 – July 2016

BS in Applied Mathematics (Honors), Minor in Statistics

Department of Mathematics, Department of Statistics

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] X. Wang, A. Valavanis, A. Mahmood, A. Mang, M. Benning, A. Repetti, *A unified framework for lifted training and inversion approaches*, In: Handbook of Numerical Analysis, 2025.
- [2] X. Wang, A. Repetti, *A Plug-and-Play Method with Inpainting Network for Bayesian Uncertainty Quantification in Imaging*, submitted to Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision, 2025.
- [3] X. Wang, M. Benning, A. Repetti, *Bi-convex lifted Bregman strategies for learning proximal neural network*, in preparation, 2025.
- [4] X. Wang, M. Benning, A. Repetti, *A lifted Bregman strategy for training unfolded proximal neural network Gaussian denoisers*, IEEE Machine Learning for Signal Processing, 2024.
- [5] X. Wang, M. Benning, *A Lifted Bregman Formulation for the Inversion of Deep Neural Networks*, Frontiers Applied Mathematics and Statistics, Special Issue on Deep Neural Networks in Inverse Problems, 2023.
- [6] X. Wang, M. Benning, *Lifted Bregman Training of Neural Networks*, Journal of Machine Learning Research, 2023.
- [7] X. Wang, M. Benning, *Generalised Perceptron Learning*, in 12th OPT Workshop on Optimisation for Machine Learning, NeurIPS, 2020.

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

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| Alps-Adriatic Inverse Problems Workshop (AAIP 2025) | <i>September 2025</i> |
| European Conference on Computational Optimisation (EUCCO 2025) | <i>September 2025</i> |
| IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing | <i>September 2024</i> |
| IMA Conference on Inverse Problems from Theory to Application | <i>September 2024</i> |
| SIAM Annual Meeting (AN24) | <i>July 2024</i> |
| ICMS: Inverse Problems and Generating Models: Sparsity, Robustness v.s. Expressivity | <i>April 2024</i> |
| International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics (ICIAM 2023) | <i>August 2023</i> |
| Maths4DL Conference on Deep Learning for Computational Physics | <i>July 2023</i> |
| SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE23) | <i>February 2023</i> |
| Seeking Low-Dimensionality in Deep Neural Networks (SLOWDNN) | <i>January 2023</i> |
| IMA Conference on The Mathematical Challenges of Big Data | <i>September 2022</i> |
| IMA Conference on Inverse Problems from Theory to Application | <i>May 2022</i> |
| SIAM Conference on Imaging Science (IS22) | <i>March 2022</i> |
| ZiF Conference on Mathematics of Machine Learning | <i>February 2021</i> |
| NeurIPS Workshop on Optimisation for Machine Learning (OPT 2020) | <i>December 2020</i> |
| LMS-Bath Symposium on the Mathematics of Machine Learning | <i>August 2020</i> |
| SIAM Conference on Imaging Science (IS20) | <i>July 2020</i> |

TEACHING

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| Heriot-Watt University | Scalable and Proximal Methods for Deep Learning Bayesian Inference and Computational Methods |
| University of Cambridge | Mathematics of Machine Learning |
| University of California, Los Angeles | Design and Analysis of Experiments Fundamentals of Optimisation |

LEADERSHIP

- Co-organiser of the joint mathematical Centres for Doctoral Training conference *2021*
- Treasurer of SIAM-IMA University of Cambridge student chapter *2021-2022*

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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| Best Poster Prize, Maths4DL Conference on Deep Learning for Computational Physics | <i>July 2023</i> |
| Senior Academic Excellence Scholarship, Fitzwilliam College | <i>December 2021</i> |
| PhD Scholarship, Cantab Capital Institute for the Mathematics of Information | <i>October 2018</i> |
| Rose Gilbert Honors Scholarship, University of California Los Angeles | <i>April 2015</i> |
| Dean's List, University of California Los Angeles | <i>September 2013 - March 2015</i> |