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Experience

Jul 2022-present Postdoctoral Researcher

KTH, Stockholm, Sweden

Division of Decision and Control Systems, Stefan Bauer's group

Jun-Sep 2021 Research Intern

Amazon, Tübingen, Germany

Out-of-distribution generalization of large vision models in transfer learning. Supervised by Francesco Locatello and Peter Gehler.

Sep-Nov 2020 Research Intern

Microsoft Research, Cambridge, UK

Generative models for human pose estimation from partial observations. Supervised by Tom Cashman and Ben Lundell.

Feb-Aug 2020 Research Intern

Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems, Tübingen, Germany Generalization of disentangled representations in robotics. Supervised by Bernhard Schölkopf and Stefan Bauer.

2017–2018 Research Assistant

Technical University of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark

2016–2019 **Teaching Assistant**

Technical University of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark

Courses: Deep Learning, Artificial Intelligence and Multi-agent Systems, Computationally Hard Problems, Logical Theories for Uncertainty and Learning.

Education

2018–2022 **Technical University of Denmark**, Copenhagen, Denmark

PhD in Machine Learning

Representation learning and deep generative models. Supervised by Ole Winther and Thomas Bolander.

2015–2017 **Technical University of Denmark**, Copenhagen, Denmark

MSc in Computer Science and Engineering, thesis grade 12/12

Machine learning, artificial intelligence, algorithms.

Thesis on combining neural networks and automated planning.

2014–2017 University of Padua, Italy

MSc in Telecommunication Engineering, 110/110 with honors

Signal processing, stochastic processes, communication systems, computer vision. Selected for T.I.M.E. double degree program at the Technical University of Denmark.

2011–2014 University of Padua, Italy

BSc in Information Engineering, 110/110 with honors Maths, physics, computer science, statistics, signal processing.

Publications

- 1. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, S. Papa, M. De Vita, B. Schölkopf, O. Winther, F. Locatello. *Generalization and Robustness Implications in Object-Centric Learning*. **ICML** 2022.
- 2. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, F. Träuble, M. Wüthrich, F. Widmaier, P. Gehler, O. Winther, F. Locatello, O. Bachem, B. Schölkopf, S. Bauer. *The Role of Pretrained Representations for the OOD Generalization of Reinforcement Learning Agents*. **ICLR** 2022.
- 3. S. Bing, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, S. Bauer, P. Schwab. Conditional Generation of Medical Time Series for Extrapolation to Underrepresented Populations. **PLOS Digital Health**, 2022.
- 4. S. Papa, O. Winther, <u>A. Dittadi</u>. *Inductive Biases for Object-Centric Representations in the Presence of Complex Textures*. **ICML Workshop** on Dynamic Neural Networks (also at UAI Workshop on Causal Representation Learning and VOLI Workshop @ ECCV), 2022.
- 5. C. Eastwood, A. L. Nicolicioiu, J. von Kügelgen, A. Kekic, F. Träuble, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, B. Schölkopf. *On the DCI Framework for Evaluating Disentangled Representations: Extensions and Connections to Identifiability*. **UAI Workshop** on Causal Representation Learning, 2022.
- 6. F. Wenzel, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, P. Gehler, C. J. Simon-Gabriel, M. Horn, D. Zietlow, D. Kernert, C. Russell, T. Brox, B. Schiele, B. Schölkopf, F. Locatello. *Assaying Out-Of-Distribution Generalization in Transfer Learning*. arXiv:2207.09239, 2022.
- 7. T. Höppe, A. Mehrjou, S. Bauer, D. Nielsen, A. Dittadi. Diffusion Models for Video Prediction and Infilling. arXiv:2206.07696, 2022.
- 8. D. Chira, I. Haralampiev, O. Winther, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, V. Liévin. *Image Super-Resolution With Deep Variational Autoencoders*. arXiv:2203.09445, 2022.
- 9. Y. Chen, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, F. Träuble, S. Bauer, B. Schölkopf. *Boxhead: A Dataset for Learning Hierarchical Representations*. **NeurIPS Workshop** on Shared Visual Representations in Human & Machine Intelligence, 2021.
- 10. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, S. Dziadzio, D. Cosker, B. Lundell, T. Cashman, J. Shotton. *Full-Body Motion from a Single Head-Mounted Device: Generating SMPL Poses from Partial Observations*. **ICCV** 2021.
- 11. F. Träuble, E. Creager, N. Kilbertus, F. Locatello, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, A. Goyal, B. Schölkopf, S. Bauer. *On Disentangled Representations Learned From Correlated Data*. **ICML** 2021.
- 12. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, F. Träuble, F. Locatello, M. Wüthrich, V. Agrawal, O. Winther, S. Bauer, B. Schölkopf. *On the Transfer of Disentangled Representations in Realistic Settings.* **ICLR** 2021.
- 13. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, F. K. Drachmann, T. Bolander. *Planning From Pixels in Atari With Learned Symbolic Representations*. **AAAI** 2021.
- 14. V. Liévin, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, A. Christensen, O. Winther. *Optimal Variance Control of the Score Function Gradient Estimator for Importance Weighted Bounds*. **NeurIPS** 2020.

- 15. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, O. Winther. *LAVAE: Disentangling Location and Appearance*. **NeurIPS Workshop** on Perception as Generative Reasoning, 2019.
- 16. V. Liévin, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, L. Maaløe, O. Winther. *Towards Hierarchical Discrete Variational Autoencoders*. Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference (**AABI**), 2019.
- 17. S. Pálsson, S. Cerri, A. Dittadi, K. Van Leemput. Semi-Supervised Variational Autoencoder for Survival Prediction. MICCAI Workshop on Brain Lesion, 2019.
- 18. <u>A. Dittadi</u>, T. Bolander, O. Winther. *Learning to Plan from Raw Data in Grid-based Games*. Global Conference on Artificial Intelligence (**GCAI**), 2018.
- 19. A. Biason, <u>A. Dittadi</u>, M. Zorzi. *Spreading and repetitions in satellite MAC protocols*. IEEE International Conference on Communications (**ICC**), 2016.

Summer Schools

Jul 2018 FoPSS Logic and Learning School

University of Oxford, UK

Aug 2016 Advanced Topics in Machine Learning

Technical University of Denmark, Copenhagen, Denmark

Jul 2016 Regularization Methods for Machine Learning (RegML)

University of Genoa, Italy

Academic Community

Reviewer: ICLR, ICML, NeurIPS, AAAI, AAMAS, EUMAS, GCAI

Co-organizer: 2nd Workshop on Current Trends in Al, Copenhagen, Denmark

Awards and Scholarships

2020 ELLIS PhD Student (nominated by Ole Winther and Bernhard Schölkopf)

2019 Otto Mønsted Foundation travel grant for NeurIPS (7500 DKK)

2018 PhD scholarship, Technical University of Denmark (270k DKK)

2015 TIME double degree scholarship

2015 Erasmus+ scholarship

Skills

Programming: Python, Java, MATLAB; basic C/C++ and Prolog

Frameworks: PyTorch, Tensorflow

Tools: LaTeX, Git

Languages: Italian, English

^{*}Equal contribution. †Equal advising.