# T. Anderson Keller

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### **Programming**

Python \*\*\*\*

C/C++ \*\*\*\*

Matlab \*\*\*\*

### **Packages**

PyTorch, Tensorflow, JAX, Numpy, SciPy, Weights & Biases, Pandas, Scikit-learn

### **Interests**

Comp. Neuroscience Cognitive Science Rep. Learning,

## Languages

English \*\*\*\*
French \*\*\*\*

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## **Academic Background**

*'23 - Present* **Kempner Institute Research Fellow** *Collaborators:* Talia Konkle, Demba Ba

'18 - '23 Ph.D. Machine Learning

Supervisor: Max Welling

Thesis: Natural Inductive Biases for Artificial Intelligence

'15 - '17 M.S. Computer Science

Supervisor: Garrison Cottrell Thesis: Comparison and Fine-grained Analysis of Sequence Encoders for NLP

'11 - '15 B.S. Computer Science (Honors) California Institute of Technology

Related Coursework: Machine Learning, GPU Programming (CUDA), Stochastic Modeling

## **Industry Research**

Jun. '22 - Oct. '22 Research Science Intern

Apple

Developed "Homomorphic Self-Supervised Learning", a framework which subsumes data augmentation in self-supervised learning through structured equivariant representations.

Jun. '16 - Sept. '18 Deep Learning Data Scientist

Intel Nervana

Harvard University

University of Amsterdam

University of California San Diego

Researched symbol-binding in RNNs with fast-weight associative memory. Developed few-shot object localization models for live recognition and tracking of race cars.

## **Selected Publications**

A Spacetime Perspective on Dynamical Computation Nat. Comms. Perspective T. Anderson Keller, Terrence Sejnowski, Lyle Muller, & Max Welling. Aug, 2024. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.13669">https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.13669</a>>. In Submission.

Traveling Waves Encode the Recent Past and Enhance Sequence Learning

T. Anderson Keller, Lyle Muller, Terrence Sejnowski & Max Welling.

ICLR 2024

<a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.08045">ICLR 2024</a>

Neural Waves Machines: Learning Spatiotemporally Structured Representations

T. Anderson Keller & Max Welling. Jan. 2023.

Chttps://openreview.net/forum?id=5tJSt3kn4s>

Locally Coupled Oscillatory Recurrent Neural Networks Learn to Exhibit
Traveling Waves and Topographic Organization
COSYNE 2023
T. Anderson Keller & Max Welling. Dec. 2022.

<https://akandykeller.github.io/papers/LocoRNN.pdf>

Topographic VAEs learn Equivariant Capsules NeurlPS 2021

T. Anderson Keller & Max Welling. 3 Sept 2021. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.01394">https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.01394</a> Modeling Catagory-Selective Cortical Regions with TVAEs SVRHM @ NeurIPS 2021

Modeling Catagory-Selective Cortical Regions with TVAEs SVRHM @ NeurIPS 2021

T. Anderson Keller\*, Qinghe Gao\* & Max Welling. 25 Oct 2021. (Best Paper Award)

<a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.13911">https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.13911</a>

Predictive Coding with Topographic VAEs Visual Inductive Priors Workshop ICCV 2021

T. Anderson Keller & Max Welling. 26 Jul 2021. (Oral)

<a href="https://openreview.net/pdf?id=WvU0FEESncx">https://openreview.net/pdf?id=WvU0FEESncx</a>

### **Additional Publications**

**Towards the Use of Relative Representations for Model-to-Brain Mappings** *CCN 2024* T. Anderson Keller, Talia Konkle & Colin Conwell. Aug. 2024.

<https://2024.ccneuro.org/pdf/492\_Paper\_authored\_AnchorEmbeddings\_CCN2024\_
named.pdf>

#### **Homomorphic Self-Supervised Learning**

TMLR 2023

T. Anderson Keller, Xavier Suau & Luca Zapella. Oct. 2022.

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.08282>

Self Normalizing Flows ICML 2021 & Beyond Backpropagation Workshop @ NeurIPS 2020 T. Anderson Keller, Jorn W.T. Peters, Priyank Jaini, Emiel Hoogeboom, Patrick Forré, Max Welling. 14 Nov 2020. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.07248">https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.07248</a>>

#### Image segmentation with traveling waves

in an exactly solvable recurrent neural network

PNAS 2024, under review

Luisa Liboni, Roberto Budzinski, Alexandra Busch, Sindy Lowe, <u>T. Anderson Keller</u>, Max Welling, & Lyle Muller. Nov. 2023. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.16943">https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.16943</a>>

## Unsupervised Representation Learning from Sparse Transformation Analysis

Yue Song, <u>T. Anderson Keller</u>, Nicu Sebe & Max Welling. *Under Review, 2024*.

#### Flow Factorized Representation Learning NeurlPS 2023

Yue Song, T. Anderson Keller, Nicu Sebe & Max Welling. Nov. 2023.

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.13167>

#### Latent Traversals in Generative Models as Potential Flows ICML 2023

Yue Song, T. Anderson Keller, Nicu Sebe, & Max Welling. Jan. 2023.

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.12944>

#### DUET: 2D Structured and Equivariant Representations ICML 2023

Xavier Suau, Federico Danieli, <u>T. Anderson Keller</u>, Arno Blaas, Chen Huang, Jason Ramapuram, Dan Busbridge, & Luca Zappella. Jan. 2023.

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.16058>

As easy as APC Workshop on Self Supervised Learning @ NeurIPS 2021 Fiorella Wever, T. Anderson Keller, Victor Garcia, Laura Symul. 29 Jun 2021. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.15577">https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.15577</a>

#### Fast Weight Long Short-Term Memory ArXiv Preprint 2018

T. Anderson Keller, S. Sridhar, X. Wang. Fast Weight Long Short-Term Memory. Apr 2018. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.06511">https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.06511</a>>

### **Invited Talks**

29 Sep '24	Wu Tsai Neuro Al Reading Group		Yale University
29 Sep '24	From Neuroscience to Al Systems (N	IAISys) Cold S	pring Harbor Labs
16 Sep '24	Comp. Neuro. Next Generation Symposium		nington Univ., STL
12 Aug '24	NeurReps International Speaker Seminar Series Virtual		
09 July '24	Woods Hole Comp. Neuro Workshop	)	Telluride
06 Feb '24	CMS Machine Learning Seminar	CERN, Sv	vitzerland (Virtual)
02 Feb '24	Fiete Lab	Massachusetts Institu	ute of Technology
22 Jan '24	Gerstner Lab École	e polytechnique fédérale de L	ausanne (Virtual)
09 Nov '23	Giersch School & Intl. Conference	Frankfurt Institute for A	Advanced Studies
23 Oct '23	Workshop on Structured Learning	Chalmers Al	Research Center
25 May '23	Computational Neurobiology Lab	Salk	Institute (Virtual)
03 Mar '22	Seminar on Advances in Probabilisti	c Machine Learning	Aalto University

## **Master's Thesis Supervision**

'21 **Modeling the Emergence of Face Selective Cortical Regions** Qinghe Gao Employing generative models combined with novel topographic priors to study the emergence of domain-selective cortical regions (such as the Fusiform Face Area) in modern deep neural networks. Comparison with macaque data shows strong similarities. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.13911">https://arxiv.org/abs/2110.13911</a>>

#### '20 As Easy as APC

Fiorella Wever

Researching Autoregressive Predictive Coding (APC) as a self-supervised representation learning solution to handle datasets with high levels of missing data and class imbalance simultaneously – demonstrated benefits over existing data imputation and class imbalance methods on a synthetic dataset, achieved SoTA AUPRC on Physionet 2012 medical dataset. <a href="https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.15577">https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.15577</a>

- '20 **Spatio-Temporal Forecasting On Graphs w/ Incomplete Data** Noah van Grinsven Combining graph neural networks with data imputation for spatio-temporal forcasting. <a href="https://scripties.uba.uva.nl/search?id=719556">https://scripties.uba.uva.nl/search?id=719556</a>>
- '19 **Geometric Priors for Disentangling Representations**Researching the use of non-euclidean priors as a supervisory signal for disentangled representation learning of topologically equivalent generative factors.

  <a href="http://scriptiesonline.uba.uva.nl/document/676481">http://scriptiesonline.uba.uva.nl/document/676481</a>>

## **Teaching Assistant Positions**

Winter '20 Leren (Bachelor's Machine Learning) University of Amsterdam Designed practice problems for matrix derivatives and PCA.

Winter '19 **Machine Learning 2 (Master's)** University of Amsterdam Ran practical labs including implementations of ICA, message passing, EM & VAEs.

Winter '16 **Data Visualization** University of California, San Diego Designed homework assignments, demos, and class tutorials for D3.js & Bokeh.

## Media Coverage & Recorded Talks

Sept. '24 A Spacetime Perspective on Neural Info. Proc. Sys. Recorded Talk

NeurReps Seminar: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FeVHfmRSicQ

Feb. '24 Traveling Waves in Recurrent Neural Networks Podcast Interview

• Interview: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sA6v4\_KWn2I

Sept. '23 Natural Neural Structure for Artificial Intelligence Recorded Talk

• Active Inference Institute Seminar: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1uIRljnLtc4

Sept. '21 Topographic Variational Autoencoders Media Coverage

• Yannic Kilcher (18K Views): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBau7umFhjQ

Sept. '18 Live Tracking and Few-Shot Classification of Racecars Keynote & Podcast

• Keynote: https://youtu.be/pSZn\_bYA1k?t=3990

• TWiML Podcast: https://goo.gl/6NeMNp