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SKILLS: Image Processing, Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Pattern Recognition, Signal Processing

TOOLS: Python (numpy, scipy, matplotlib, scikit-image, TensorFlow, fastai, scikit-learn, OpenCV), Git (GitHub, GitLab), R, GNU Octave

RESEARCH

University of California, Berkeley, USA

2019 – current

Assistant project scientist at the Berkeley Institute for Data Science.

- Applies neural networks to the segmentation of two-dimensional biological images (in partnership with the [Natural History Museum, London, UK](#)) and three-dimensional computerized tomography data (in partnership with the [Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, USA](#)).
- Is the Data Science Outreach Lead at the [BIDS-UpGlo Data Science](#) partnership, creating a series of webinars to support US immigrants and refugees in the field of data science.
- Reviews code contributions in scikit-image and performs library maintenance.

Tools: Python, Keras, TensorFlow, fastai, matplotlib, scikit-image.

Funded in part by the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation (grant # GBMF3834) and by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation (grant # 2013-10-27).

TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Germany

2016 – 2017

Postdoctoral researcher at the Institute für Geologie.

- Studied the fission-track counting issue (Geology and Geophysics) on optical microscopy images from muscovite and diallyl-pthalate.
- Developed algorithms for filtering, segmentation, skeletonization, watershed transforms, among others.

Tools: Python, matplotlib, scikit-image.

Funded by FAPESP – São Paulo Research Foundation (grant # 2015/24582-4).

Unicamp – University of Campinas, Brazil

2015 – 2019

Postdoctoral researcher at the Department of Cosmic Rays and Chronology.

- Studied the fission-track counting issue (Geology and Geophysics) on optical microscopy images from apatite.
- Created pytracks – the first open source package with algorithms to process fission-track images.

Tools: Python, matplotlib, scikit-image.

Funded by FAPESP – São Paulo Research Foundation (grant # 2014/22922-0).

EDUCATION

UNESP – Univ Estadual Paulista, Brazil

2011 – 2015

Doctoral degree of Materials Science and Technology.

- Created algorithms to separate and process regions of interest in images from optical and electronic microscopes.

Tools: MATLAB, GNU Octave, R.

Funded by FAPESP – São Paulo Research Foundation (grant # 2011/09438-3).

UNESP – Univ Estadual Paulista, Brazil

2009 – 2011

Master degree of Materials Science and Technology.

- Characterized surfaces of materials using images from scanning electron microscopy and Fourier, Gabor and wavelet transforms.
- Developed and registered the software *WaveFPR – Wavelets and Fourier Transforms for Pattern Recognition*.

Tools: MATLAB, GNU Octave.

Funded by FAPESP – São Paulo Research Foundation (grant # 2009/04962-6).

UNESP – Univ Estadual Paulista, Brazil

2004 – 2007

Licentiate degree in Mathematics.

- Used active contours to separate and process regions of interest in cancer and muscle fiber microscopies.
- Developed and registered the software *ActiCon – Active Contours*.

Tools: MATLAB.

Funded by CNPq – National Council for Technological and Scientific Development.

PREPRINTS AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Hunter-Zinck et al. *Ten simple rules on writing clean and reliable open-source scientific software*. PLoS Comput Biol 17(11): e1009481. [\[doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009481\]](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1009481)
2. **de Siqueira** et al. *A reusable pipeline for large-scale fiber segmentation on unidirectional fiber beds using fully convolutional neural networks*. Preprint. [\[arXiv:2101.04823\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2101.04823) [\[data\]](#)
3. Tokojima Machado et al. *Natural stings: selling distrust about vaccines on Brazilian YouTube*. Frontiers in Communication, 2020, 5; 91. [\[doi:10.3389/fcomm.2020.577941\]](https://doi.org/10.3389/fcomm.2020.577941) [\[data\]](#)
4. **de Siqueira** et al. *Skeletracks: automatic separation of overlapping fission tracks in apatite and muscovite using image processing*. Preprint. [\[arXiv:1806.05199\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.05199) [\[source code\]](#)
5. **de Siqueira** et al. *Segmentation of nearly isotropic overlapped tracks in photomicrographs using successive erosions as watershed markers*. Microscopy Research and Technique, 2019, 82(10); 1706–1719. [\[doi:10.1002/jemt.23336\]](https://doi.org/10.1002/jemt.23336) [\[source code\]](#)

6. **de Siqueira** et al. *Jansen-MIDAS: A multi-level photomicrograph segmentation software based on isotropic undecimated wavelets*. Microscopy Research and Technique, 2018, 81(1); 22–32. [\[doi:10.1002/jemt.22952\]](#) [\[source code\]](#)
7. **de Siqueira** Octave: *Seus primeiros passos na programação científica*. Casa do Código, 2015. ISBN: 9788555191237. [\[source code\]](#)
8. **de Siqueira** et al. *Estimating the concentration of gold nanoparticles incorporated on Natural Rubber membranes using Multi-Level Starlet Optimal Segmentation*. Journal of Nanoparticle Research, 2014, 16; 2809. [\[doi:10.1007/s11051-014-2809-0\]](#)
9. **de Siqueira** et al. *An automatic method for segmentation of fission tracks in epidote crystal photomicrographs*. Computers and Geosciences, 2014, 69; 55–61. [\[doi:10.1016/j.cageo.2014.04.008\]](#) [\[source code\]](#)
10. **de Siqueira** et al. *Segmentation of scanning electron microscopy images from natural rubber samples with gold nanoparticles using starlet wavelets*. Microscopy Research and Technique, 2014, 77(1); 71–78. [\[doi:10.1002/jemt.22314\]](#)

TUTORIALS

1. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *3D image processing with scikit-image*. EuroSciPy, 2019. [\[source code\]](#)
2. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *Matplotlib*. EuroSciPy, 2018. [\[source code\]](#)
3. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *Image Processing using Python*. IAMG, 2017. [\[source code\]](#)
4. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *MATLAB Hands-on*. Research Data Visualization Workshop, University of Manchester, 2016. [\[source code\]](#)
5. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *MATLAB & GNU Octave: reference guide*. TU Bergakademie Freiberg, 2016. [\[source code\]](#)
6. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *Python Científico para Análise de Dados*. Python Brasil [11], 2015. [\[source code\]](#)
7. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *MATLAB & GNU Octave: guia de referência*. Ramo Estudantil IEEE, University of Campinas, 2015. [\[source code\]](#)
8. **de Siqueira, A.F.** *Construindo Interfaces Gráficas com o MATLAB*. V SMAT, UNESP – Univ Estadual Paulista, 2010. [\[source code\]](#)

OTHER PROJECTS

scikit-image

2016 – current

Co-maintainer and contributor.

- Contributed with code for the Multi-Otsu threshold ([skimage:3872](#)), bilateral filter ([skimage:4080](#)) and documentation.

Open source communities

2016 – current

Commits to other open source projects.

- Some projects: napari, numpy, scikit-learn, swcarpentry.

Python Software Foundation

2017 – current

Member of the Scientific Python Working Group.

- The SWG grant funds to scientific Python conferences, user groups, educational, and development efforts.

The Carpentries

2020 – current

Certified Carpentries instructor.