

# Christopher Bülte

DEEP LEARNING · PROBABILISTIC MODELING · UNCERTAINTY QUANTIFICATION

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## Objective

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Aspiring researcher in theoretical and physics-informed machine learning with a strong background in statistics and data science, always eager to learn something new. Special interest in foundations of deep learning, uncertainty quantification, statistics, and machine learning for the sciences.

## Education

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### Ludwigs-Maximilians-University Munich (LMU)

PhD ON MATHEMATICAL FOUNDATIONS OF DEEP LEARNING

Munich, Germany

03/2024 - present

- Working on the intersection of machine learning, uncertainty, and the natural sciences
- Research on theoretical foundations of uncertainty quantification and its applications
- Associated PhD student, Konrad Zuse School of Excellence in Reliable AI and Munich Center for Machine Learning
- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Gitta Kutyniok

### Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)

M.Sc. IN ECONOMATHEMATICS

Karlsruhe, Germany

04/2021 - 02/2024

- Thesis: *Estimation of Extremes for Spatio-Temporal Processes with Neural Networks*, Advisor: Prof. Dr. Melanie Schienle
- Supplementary studies on Sustainable Development

### Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)

B.Sc. IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

Karlsruhe, Germany

10/2017 - 03/2021

- Thesis: *Nonlinear Kernel Regression: Theoretical Aspects and Robust Extensions*

## Professional experience

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### Chair of Statistical Methods and Econometrics, KIT

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Karlsruhe, Germany

06/2022 - 02/2024

- Developing and analyzing neural-network based methods for large-scale probabilistic weather forecasting
- Implementing different methods to assess uncertainty in data-driven weather forecasts

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DATA SCIENCE INTERN

Karlsruhe, Germany

09/2019 - 02/2020

- Forecasting and extreme value identification for large scale time series (Python)
- Developing, testing and implementing algorithms for big data integration (Python, Apache Spark)

### Karlsruhe Institute of Technology

ASSISTANT TEACHER

Karlsruhe, Germany

09/2018 - 02/2020

- Assistant Teacher for the courses Mathematics 1 & 2, and Statistics
- Conducted tutorials and problem-solving sessions for undergraduate students

## Publications

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### JOURNAL PAPERS

**Bülte, C.**, Scholl, P., and Kutyniok, G. Probabilistic neural operators for functional uncertainty quantification. *Transactions on Machine Learning Research*, 2025, [link]

**Bülte, C.**, Horat, N., Quinting, J. and Lerch, S. Uncertainty quantification for data-driven weather models. *Artificial Intelligence for the Earth Systems*, 2025, doi: 10.1175/AIES-D-24-0049.1

**Bülte, C.**, Kleinebrahm, M., Yilmaz, Ü. and Gomez-Rómero, J. Multivariate time series imputation for energy data using neural networks. *Energy and AI*, 2023, Vol. 13, doi: 10.1016/j.egyai.2023.100239

### PEER-REVIEWED WORKSHOP PAPERS

**Bülte, C.**, Maskey, S., Scholl, P., von Berg, J. and Kutyniok, G. Graph Neural Networks for Enhancing Ensemble Forecasts of Extreme Rainfall. ICLR 2025 Workshop on Tackling Climate Change with Machine Learning, [link]

**Bülte, C.**, Scholl, P., and Kutyniok, G. Probabilistic predictions with Fourier neural operators. NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Bayesian Decision-making and Uncertainty, [link]

## PREPRINTS

**Bülte, C.**, Sale, Y., Kutyniok, G., and Hüllermeier, E. Uncertainty Quantification for Regression: A Unified Framework based on kernel scores. preprint, arxiv: 2510.25599

Kneissl, C., **Bülte, C.**, Scholl, P., Kutyniok, G. Improved probabilistic regression using diffusion models. preprint, arxiv: 2510.04583

**Bülte, C.**, Sale, Y., Löhr, T., Hofman, P., Kutyniok, G., and Hüllermeier, E. An Axiomatic Assessment of Entropy- and Variance-based Uncertainty Quantification in Regression. preprint, arxiv: 2504.18433

**Bülte, C.**, Leimenstoll, L., and Schienle, M. Modeling Spatial Extremal Dependence of Precipitation Using Distributional Neural Networks. preprint, arxiv: 2407.08668

## Talks & Events

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**MIAPbP Workshop: Build Big or Build Smart: Examining Scale and Domain Knowledge in Machine Learning for Fundamental Physics**, Munich (Germany), Contributed talk on *Probabilistic neural operators*.

**ICLR 2025 Workshop on Tackling Climate Change with Machine Learning**, Singapore, Poster presentation on *Graph Neural Networks for Enhancing Ensemble Forecasts of Extreme Rainfall*.

**NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Bayesian Decision-making and Uncertainty**, Vancouver (Canada), Poster presentation on *Probabilistic predictions with Fourier neural operators*.

**Compstat 2024**, Gießen (Germany), Contributed talk on *Estimation of spatio-temporal extremes via generative neural networks*.

**MathSEE Symposium 2023**, Karlsruhe (Germany). Poster presentation on *Probabilistic data-driven weather forecasting* (Best poster award).

## Skills

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**Coding** Python, git, LaTeX, R, Linux, Bash, High-performance computing

**Frameworks** PyTorch, TensorFlow, SciPy, Xarray, Weights & Biases

**Languages** German (native), English (fluent)