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Neuroscience, Machine & Deep Learning, AI, Statistics & Inference



Work experience

- 2016 – ... ■ **Research Assistant.** Petrovici group for brain-inspired computing, U. Heidelberg.
2017 – 2018 ■ **Guest Researcher.** Senn group for comp. neuroscience, U. Bern.
2014 – 2015 ■ **Research Assistant.** Evers group for theo. quantum dynamics, MPIK Heidelberg.

Summer schools

- June 2019 ■ **DS³ Data Science Summer School.**
Five-day school co-organised by the École polytechnique & the DATAIA Institute.
March 2019 ■ **IRCN Course in Neuro-Inspired Computation.**
Invited after application. Four-day course offered by the U. Tokyo.

Training

- August 2019 ■ **Team Communication – Key Roles and Intercultural Contexts Workshop.**
March 2019 ■ **University Leadership and Management (Epigeum).**
Courses: Leadership and management, Managing people, Strategic planning.
February 2019 ■ **Business management course "Grundlagenwissen BWL".**
October 2018 ■ **Computational Physics with GPUs.**
April 2017 ■ **Machine learning in science and industry.**
Courses offered by the Heidelberg Graduate School for Physics.

Skills

- Languages ■ very good writing, reading and communication skills in english
Coding ■ PYTHON & tensorflow, Matlab, Mathematica, C(++)
Software ■ familiar with Linux bash shell and Windows systems, version control (git), integrated testing (jenkins), queuing systems (slurm, moab)
Design ■ LATEX, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Powerpoint, Inkscape, Gimp
Teaching ■ co-supervised one master's thesis and supervised lecture tutorials, physics experiments for students and soft skill courses for first-year students
Social ■ organised the Journal Club of my research group during my Ph.D.

Communication & presentation skills

Selected talks

- 2019 ■ **Selected talk at Cosyne 2019**
Cosyne Conference 2019, Lisbon, Portugal.
Selected from submitted abstracts.

Communication & presentation skills (continued)

- 2018
- Invited talk at INI (ETH)
ETH Institute of Neuroinformatics, Zurich, Switzerland.
Invited by Dr. João Sacramento.
 - Intel Neuromorphic Research Community (INRC) Workshop
Workshop, hosted by Intel, Reykjavik, Iceland.
Invited as INRC Project Representative.
 - Neuroplasticity: From Bench to Machine Learning
Workshop, Institute of Advanced Studies, U. Surrey, England.
Selected from submitted abstracts.
 - From Neuroscience to Machine Learning
Workshop, European Institute for Theoretical Neuroscience, France.
Invited as a replacement for Prof. Dr. Walter Senn.

Poster presentations

- 2019
- Bernstein Conference 2019 in Berlin, Germany.
 - CNS Conference 2019 in Barcelona, Spain.
 - DS³ Data Science Summer School in Paris, France.
 - IRCCN Course in Neuro-Inspired Computation in Tokyo, Japan.
- 2018
- Bernstein Conference 2018 in Berlin, Germany.
 - EMBO Dendrites Workshop 2018 in Heraklion, Greece.
- 2017
- Bernstein Conference 2017 in Göttingen, Germany.
 - CNS Conference 2017 in Antwerp, Belgium.

Education

- 2016 – ... ■ Dr. rer. nat., Heidelberg Graduate School for Physics, Germany.
- 2014 – 2016 ■ M.Sc. in Physics, Heidelberg University, Germany.
Thesis title: *Stochastic Computation in Spiking Neural Networks Without Noise*.
- 2010 – 2014 ■ B.Sc. in Physics, Heidelberg University, Germany.
Thesis title: *Energy Conservation in Fano Spectral Line Shape Control*.
- 2001 – 2010 ■ Abitur, Gymnasium am Romäusring, Villingen-Schwenningen.

References

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Research publications, theses & proposals

Journal articles and preprints

- 1 Senn*, W., Dold*, D., Binas, J., Schindler, K., Bengio, Y., Sacramento, J. & Petrovici, M. A. (2019). Lagrangian dynamics of dendritic microcircuits enables real-time error backpropagation across cortical areas. *in prep.*
- 2 Dold*, D., Bytschok*, I., Kungl, A. F., Baumbach, A., Breitwieser, O., Senn, W., ... Petrovici*, M. A. (2019). Stochasticity from function – why the bayesian brain may need no noise. *Neural Networks*, 119, 200–213. doi:<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neunet.2019.08.002>
- 3 Kungl, A. F., Schmitt, S., Klähn, J., Müller, P., Baumbach, A., Dold, D., ... Koke, C. et al. (2019). Accelerated physical emulation of bayesian inference in spiking neural networks. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1807.02389 (submitted, currently under review)*.
- 4 Bytschok*, I., Dold*, D., Schemmel, J., Meier, K. & Petrovici*, M. A. (2017). Spike-based probabilistic inference with correlated noise. *arXiv:1707.01746 preprint*.

Theses

- 1 Zenk, M. (2018). *Spatio-temporal predictions with spiking neural networks*. Master's thesis, co-supervised by Dold, D. Heidelberg University.
- 2 Dold, D. (2016). *Stochastic computation in spiking neural networks without noise*. Master's thesis. Heidelberg University.
- 3 Dold, D. (2014). *Energy conservation in fano spectral line shape control*. Bachelor thesis. Heidelberg University.

Proposals

- 1 Jordan, J., Dold, D., Petrovici, M. A. & Senn, W. (2018). Real-time error-backpropagation for deep cortical microcircuits in spiking neuromorphic systems. Intel INRC grant.