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CITIZENSHIP USA

**EDUCATION** 

Technische Universität Berlin,

Dr. rer. nat., Computer Science, 6.2018

• Advisor: Jörg Lücke

• Supervisor: Klaus-Robert Müller

- Thesis: Large-scale Approximate EM-style Learning and Inference in Generative Graphical Models for Sparse Coding
- Group: Machine Learning and Intelligent Data Analysis

Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies,

Researcher, Computer Science, 10.2010 – 2013

• Advisor: Jörg Lücke

• Group: Machine Learning and Computational Neuroscience

• Reviewer: IEEE-TPAMI, NIPS, and IEEE-TKDE

Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen,

M.Sc., Computer Science, 8.2010

- Advisors: Matthew Blaschko, Christoph Lampert, Andreas Bartels
- Thesis: Semi-supervised Subspace Learning and Application to Human Functional Magnetic Brain Resonance Imaging Data
- Conducted at Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics, Dept. Schölkopf, Impirical Inference
- Minor in Psychology

# Cornell University

- Teaching Assistantship, College of Arts and Sciences, 1.2006 4.2007
- Graduate Research Assistantship, Psychology Department, Field Lab, 4.2006 –
   9.2006
- Teaching Assistantship, College of Life Science, 8.2005 12.2005

University of Michigan-Flint,

B.S., Experimental Psychology, 8.2005

- with Honors
- Minor in Computer Science

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Polewski, P., Shelton, J., Yao, W., and Heurich, M.: Instance segmentation of fallen trees in aerial color infrared imagery using active multi-contour evolution with fully convolutional network-based intensity priors. ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, (178): 297–313, 2021.

Shelton, J., Polewski, P., Yao, W.: *U-Net For Learning And Inference Of Dense Representation Of Multiple Air Pollutants From Satellite Imagery.* Climate Informatics, Virtual Worldwide (9 2020).

- Polewski, P., Shelton, J., Yao, W., and Heurich, M.: Segmentation of single standing dead trees in high-resolution aerial imagery with generative adversal network-based shape priors. International Arch. Photogramm. Remote Sensing Spatial Inf. Sci., XLIII-B2-2020: 717–723, 2020.
- Shelton, J. A., Gasthaus, J., Dai, Z., Lücke, J, and Gretton, A.: *GP-select: Accelerating EM using adaptive subspace preselection*. Neural Computation 29(8):21772202, 2017.
- Shelton, J. A., Sheikh, A-S., Bornschein, J., Sterne, P., and Lücke, J: *Nonlinear spike-and-slab sparse coding for interpretable image encoding*. PLOS ONE, May 08, 2015.
- Shelton, J. A., Gasthaus, J., Dai, Z., Lücke, J, and Gretton, A.: *GP-select: Accelerating EM using adaptive subspace preselection*. Women in Machine Learning Workshop in conjunction with NIPS, 2014.
- Sheikh, A-S., Shelton, J. A., and Lücke, J. A Truncated EM Approach for Spike-and-Slab Sparse Coding. Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR), 15:2653-2687, 2014.
- Shelton, J. and Lampert, C.: Approximate Inference with  $\epsilon$ -insensitive Marginal Loss. Women in Machine Learning Workshop in conjunction with NIPS, 2013.
- Lücke, J., Shelton, J., Bornschein, J., Sterne, P., Berkes, P., and Sheikh, A-S: Combining Feed-Forward Processing and Sampling for Neurally Plausible Encoding Models. Cosyne, 2013.
- Shelton, J.A., Sterne, P., J. Bornschein, A.-S. Sheikh, and J. Lücke: Why MCA? Non-linear sparse coding with spike-and-slab prior for neurally plausible image encoding. Proceedings of the Twenty-Sixth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, (NIPS 2012).
- Shelton, J.A., J. Bornschein, A.-S. Sheikh, P. Berkes, and Lücke, J. Select and Sample A Model of Efficient Neural Inference and Learning. Proceedings of the Twenty-Fifth Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, (NIPS 2011).
- Dai, Z., Shelton, J., Bornschein, J., Sheikh, A. S., and Lücke, J. *Combining approximate inference methods for efficient learning on large computer clusters*. NIPS'11 workshop on Big Learning: Algorithms, Systems, and Tools for Learning at Scale, 2011.
- Bornschein, J., Shelton, J. A., Sheikh, A. S., and Lücke, J. *The Maximal Causes of Binary Data*. Bernstein Conference on Comp. Neuroscience (BCCN), 2011.
- Blaschko, M., Shelton, J., Bartels, A., Lampert, C., H., and Gretton, A. Semi-supervised Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis with Application to human fMRI. Pattern Recognition Letters, 32(11):1572-1583, 2011.
- Shelton, J. A., Blaschko, M. B., Gretton, A., Müller, J., Fischer, E., and Bartels, A.: Similarities in Resting State and Feature-driven Activity: Non-parametric Evaluation of Human fMRI. NIPS Workshop on Learning and Planning from Batch Time Series Data, 2010.
- Blaschko, M., Shelton, J., and Bartels, A. Augmenting Feature-driven fMRI Analyses: Semi-supervised learning and resting state activity. Proceedings of the Twenty-Third

Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2009).

Shelton, J., Blaschko, M., Lampert, C. H., and Bartels, A. Semi-supervised Analysis of Human fMRI data, Berlin Brain Computer Interface Workshop on Advances in Neurotechnology, July 2009.

Shelton, J., Blaschko, M., and Bartels, A. Semi-supervised subspace analysis of human functional magnetic resonance imaging data, Max Planck Institute Tech Report, (185), May 2009.

#### INVITED TALKS

- U-Net For Learning And Inference Of Dense Representation Of Multiple Air Pollutants From Satellite Imagery.

  Climate Informatics 2020, (Worldwide), (9 2020). *Highlight talk*.
- Lecture series on Probabilistic Machine Learning and Bayesian Reasoning Data Science Retreat, Berlin, Germany, (2014 2015).
- Select and Sample A Model of Efficient Neural Inference and Learning.
  - Technical University Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany, (6 2012).
  - Institute for Science and Technology (IST) Austria, Vienna, Austria, (2 2012).
  - Radbound University Nijmegen, Nijmegen, Netherlands, (1 2012).
- Semi-supervised Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis of Human fMRI Data, Women in Machine Learning Workshop, held in conjunction with NIPS. (12 2009).

### EMPLOYMENT

- TomTom, Berlin
   Develop machine learning methods and models for geospatial data, Artifical Intelligence Geospatial Research Group, 10.2018 10.2019
- Data Science Retreat, Berlin
   Lecture series on Bayesian Reasoning and Probabilistic Modelling, 2014 2015
- Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems, Germany
   Hilfswissenschaftler (Research Assistant), Department of Empirical Inference, Prof.
   Schölkopf, 5.2009 8.2010
   Hilfswissenschaftler (Research Assistant), Department of Psychophysics, Prof.
   Bühltoff, 8.2007 10.2007
- Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
   Teaching Assistantship, College of Arts and Sciences, 1.2006 4.2007
   Teaching Assistantship, College of Life Science, 8.2005 12.2005
- University of Michigan-Flint, Flint, MI Statistics Tutor, 2003 –2005
   Research Assistant to Dr. T. William Altermatt, 2002 – 2005
   Computer Lab Assistant, 2002 – 2005

# RESEARCH Internships

Institute of Science and Technology Austria, 3.2013 – 6.2013
 Computer Vision and Machine Learning – Dr. Christoph Lampert
 Project on efficient inference using Gibbs sampling in undirected graphs

- Gatsby Computational Neuroscience Unit, 10.2011 1.2012 with Dr. Arthur Gretton
  - Project on accelerating EM using adaptive subspace preselection
- Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen, 6.2008 12.2008
   Graphical Interactive Systems Department Dr. Strasser
   Project on spatial-temporal induced boundaries
- Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 1.2006 4.2007
   Field (Vision Science) Lab Dr. David J. Field
   Project on statistics of natural images
- University of California, Santa Barbara, CA, 4.2004 6.2004 Research Center for Virtual Environments and Behavior – Dr. Jim Blascovich Undergraduate Honors Thesis on perception in virtual environments

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Women in Machine Learning, travel grant for conference attendance (NIPS 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010, 2009)
- Advanced Computing Machines (ACM), grant for women in computing for conference attendance (NIPS 2009)
- National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, grant for satellite image analysis Cornell University, Graduate Research Assistantship, Summer 2006
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention, 2006
- National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention, 2005
   Start-up grant, Partnership for Advanced Computational Infrastructure facility
- Raphelson Prize, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Psi Chi Summer Research Grant, 2004
- Frances Frazier Student Travel Grant, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Honors Off-Campus Study Grant, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Office of Research Annual Fund Grant, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Undergraduate and Graduate Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity Grant, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Harold and Agape Kallis Scholarship, University of Michigan-Flint, 2004
- Honors Scholar Program Scholarship, University of Michigan-Flint, 2003 2005
- Freeman Distance Learning Scholarship, University of Michigan-Flint, 2003 2005
- Freeman Psychology Scholarship, University of Michigan-Flint, 2003 2005
- MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) Scholarship, 2001

### Languages

- English, Native
- German, Professional fluency

#### References

### • Prof. Dr. Andreas Bartels

Department of Neurophysiology, Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics, Tübingen, Germany

Centre for Integrative Neuroscience, Universität Tübingen, Germany

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### • Prof. Dr. Christoph H. Lampert

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# • Prof. Dr. Klaus-Robert Mueller

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