Dr. Gerald Moore

Doctorate in Neurotechnology | Data Scientist | Machine Learning Scientist | Developer | Researcher

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Profile

As a highly analytical, computational, and motivated Data Scientist (DS) and Machine Learning (ML) Researcher, I have gained valuable knowledge from diverse fields such as Geospatial Remote Sensing, Neurotechnology, Physics, and Astrophysics. I have extensive experience in areas including computer vision, registration, segmentation, time-series analysis, working with large multi-terabyte datasets, statistical data analysis and pipeline-scaling from research to production environments.

I am passionate about exploring innovative ideas and expanding my knowledge in an environment that encourages learning and discovery. I strongly value the entire scope of Data Science, from exploratory data analysis and visualisation to experimentation and scaling pipelines. I am looking for an opportunity to apply my skills and knowledge to solve complex problems and contribute to the development of cutting-edge and impactful technologies.

Experience

Dec 2022 - present

Senior Machine Learning Scientist | Agreena, London, UK

- Encompassing DS, ML engineering and software engineering using remote sensing for verification for a soil carbon program.
- Technical senior lead for numerous projects; remote detection of agricultural land (FracTAL ResUNet), remote detection and analysis of individual crops (Mask R-CNN), time-series agricultural event detection and prediction (1D CNN, LSTM, CatBoost, XGBoost, Transformers), satellite scene quality classification (2D CNN, MobileNet, EfficientNet), and global scale agricultural event mapping (LSTM, Transformers).
- Responsible for project and team planning to hit KPI deliverables for internal and external stakeholders whilst also driving state-of-the-art scientific research within the team.
- Scaling end-to-end pipelines from research to production environments with VertexAI, Airflow and Kubernetes whilst managing KPIs
 for accuracy, throughput, resource management and stake-holder satisfaction.
- Sole initiative to drive standardisation for ML based projects through HuggingFace, cookie-cutter and Kedro frameworks.
- Formulation of unit, integration and end-to-end testing frameworks across code-bases.
- Sole responsibility for developing a Python SDK to improve data workflows with STAC catalogues, driving significant efficiency and standardisation across the DS and Engineering teams.
- Utilising PCA and manifold-learning techniques to detect and monitor data drift and implementing K-fold cross-validation training to optimise train/val/test dataset splits.
- Addressing severe dataset size limitations through ensemble learning, auxiliary task learning and transfer learning from a primary to secondary task.
- Writing research publications, presenting at conferences, presenting technical topics to external stakeholders and client prospects.
- Responsible for hiring, and known within the team as the go-to trustee for addressing complex technical challenges and providing unique solutions and insights.

Jan 2021 - Dec 2022

Data Scientist | Hummingbird Technologies, London, UK

- Nurturing key client partnerships by researching and developing new customer driven solutions, such as an instance segmentation approach for high resolution object detection in agricultural fields, and an attention based semantic segmentation model for delineating agricultural parcels at large scale.
- Conducting grant funded research and creating comprehensive documentation for research award programs and conference presentations.
- Technical interviewing for new candidates.

Oct 2016 - Jan 2021

${\bf Ph.D~Neurotechnology} \mid {\it Imperial~College~London,~London,~UK}$

- Sole ownership of developing an end-to-end analysis pipeline of multi-terabyte image data, including CNN classification through custom or adapted architectures (VGG Net, Google Inception), semantic segmentation (UNet, UNet++), image registration (Elastix, aMAP, ANTs) and dashboard visualisations (Ploty, Dash, Heroki).
- Applied the pipeline to investigate neuronal connectivity in the visual thalamic and pre-frontal cortex pathways, as well as studying structural changes under Alzheimer's and Huntington's pathology.
- \bullet Presenting research through publications, conferences, and workshops.

Projects

BinOcular

- Self driven development of a Python package that clusters camera photographs based on feature similarity and temporal thresholding.
- Uses a pre-trained efficient model to compress imagery into a latent feature space, and subsequently uses a cosine-similarity metric and temporal thresholding to group images into *similar* clusters based on shared features within images.

Education

2011 - 2015 MPhys in Physics and Astrophysics | University of Sussex, UK

2009 - 2011 A-levels including Mathematics, Physics and Computing | Furze Platt Sixth Form College, UK

2007 - 2009 Thirteen GCSEs including Mathematics, Physics and Biology | Furze Platt Senior School, UK

Technical Skills

Languages Python, C++, JAVA, MATLAB, Rust

Libraries Tensorflow, Keras, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Scipy, OpenCV, Pydantic, Pytest, Kedro

Databases STAC, MySQL, PostgreSQL

Software HuggingFace, Docker, Git, CircleCI, Poetry, GCP, Vertex AI, ImageJ/Fiji, Blender, Adobe Suite

Publications

2024

2024 Hierarchical Bayesian modeling of multi-region brain cell count data

Sydney Dimmock, Benjamin M. S. Exley, Gerald Moore, Simon R. Schultz, Clea Warburton, Conor Houghton, Cian O'Donnell. Springer Nature [to be submitted].

Detecting cover crop activity at scale using fusion of multiple satellite sources

Gerald Moore, Edward Dowling, Gabor Szakacs, Daniel Szponar. Remote Sensing [to be submitted].

2024 Tracking tillage practices across Europe using multi-source Earth observations & machine learning

Nicholas Synes, Aoife Whelan, Edward Dowling, Francois Lemarchand, Khushboo Jain, Ben Smith, Gerald Moore, Peter Kongstad, Blayne Lees, Vincent Cornwell, Nathan Torbick. IEEE IGARSS. [submitted]

The type of inhibition provided by thalamic interneurons alters the input selectivity of thalamocortical

neurons

Stephen Brickley, Deyl Djama, Florian Zirpel, Zhiwen Ye, Gerald Moore, Charmaine Chue, Christopher Edge, Polona Jager, Alessio Delogu. bioRxiv. 10.1016/j.crneur.2024.100130

2021 Dual midbrain and forebrain origins of thalamic inhibitory interneurons

Polona Jager, Gerald Moore, Padraic Calpin, Xhuljana Durmishi, Yoshiaki Kita, Irene Salgarella, Yan Wang, Simon R. Schultz, Stephen Brickley, Tomomi Shimogori, Alessio Delogu. Elife. 10.7554/eLife.59272.

2020 Cell counting in targeted nuclei of whole brain two-photon image data

Gerald Moore, Polona Jager, Alessio Delogu, Simon Schultz, Stephen Brickley. Biophotonics Congress: Biomedical Optics Congress 2018 (Microscopy/Translational/Brain/OTS), OSA Technical Digest (Optical Society of America, 2018). 10.1364/TRANSLATIONAL.2018.JTu3A.48.

Conferences & Workshops

2022 Living Planet Symposium

Exhibited a FracTAL ResUNet model for agricultural field boundary detection, and presented a solution for counting and sizing crop in drone imagery using a Mask R-CNN architecture.

2019 British Neuroscience Association

Presented an automated U-Net based cell distribution analysis method for cell counting across whole mouse brain microscopy data, in addition to research on a longitudinal study of cognitive decline in female mice and its association with healthy brain ageing.

2019 London Neurotechnology Network Imaging Workshop

Demonstrated research on high-resolution imaging technologies for mapping small-scale objects of interest across large tissue volumes, and the challenges of big data analytics.

2018 The Optical Society Annual Meeting

Deep learning approach for cell counting in targeted nuclei of whole brain two-photon microscopy data.

2018 Dementia Symposium ICL Alzheimer's Research

Showcased a study on brain pathology in response to Alzheimer's and Huntington's disease.

2017 British Neuroscience Association

Macroscopic imaging of neuronal connectivity related to health and disease, as well as meso- and micro-scale changes in synaptic connectivity with age.