# Daolang Huang

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# Summary

I am a third-year PhD student at Aalto University, my research primarily focuses on amortized inference, leveraging neural networks to expedite various Bayesian inference tasks, with a strong interest in Bayesian experimental design, Bayesian optimization, simulation-based inference, and meta-learning, I am passionate about exploring and developing innovative methods to enhance model efficiency in complex inferential processes.

# Education

#### **Aalto University**

July 2022 - present

PhD, Doctoral progamme in Science.

- o GPA: 5/5
- Supervisors: Prof. Samuel Kaski (Aalto University and The University of Manchester), Prof. Luigi Acerbi (University of Helsinki)
- o Fully funded by Finnish Center for Artificial Intelligence (FCAI)

#### **Aalto University**

Sept 2020 - May 2022

MSc, Machine Learning, Data Science and Artificial Intelligence.

- o GPA: 4.68/5 (Major 5/5)
- Master thesis: Bayesian Optimization Augmented with Actively Elicited Expert Knowledge

## Jinan University

Sept 2016 - July 2020

BSc, Computer Science and Technology.

- o GPA: 87/100 (Major 89/100)
- o Bachelor thesis: Multi-Modal Fusion for Fake News Detection

#### Publications

# Conference papers

- 1. **Daolang Huang**, Yujia Guo, Luigi Acerbi and Samuel Kaski. "Amortized Bayesian Experimental Design for Decision-Making". In *Proceedings of the 37th International Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS*), 2024.
- 2. Daolang Huang\*, Ayush Bharti\*, Amauri Souza, Luigi Acerbi and Samuel Kaski, "Learning Robust Statistics for Simulation-based Inference under Model Misspecification". In *Proceedings of the 36th International Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2023.
- 3. Daolang Huang, Manuel Haussmann, Ulpu Remes, et al. "Practical Equivariances via Relational Conditional Neural Processes". In Proceedings of the 36th International Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.
- Runkai Zheng, Yinqi Zhang, Daolang Huang and Qingliang Chen. "Sequential convolution and runge-kutta residual architecture for image compressed sensing". In European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2020.

## Workshop papers

- Daolang Huang, Yujia Guo, Luigi Acerbi and Samuel Kaski. "Amortized Decision-Aware Bayesian Experimental Design". In NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Bayesian Decision-making and Uncertainty (NeurIPS-BDU), 2024.
- Daolang Huang, Louis Filstroff, Petrus Mikkola, Runkai Zheng, Milica Todorovic and Samuel Kaski. "Augmenting Bayesian Optimization with Preference-based Expert Feedback". In ICML 2023 Workshop The Many Facets of Preference-Based Learning (ICML-MFPL), 2023.

 Daolang Huang and Ricardo Falcon Perez. "Sseldnet: a fully end-to-end sample-level framework for sound event localization and detection". In *Detection and Classification of Acoustic Scenes and Events (DCASE)*, 2021.

#### **Preprints**

- Paul Chang\*, Nasrulloh Loka\*, Daolang Huang\*, Ulpu Remes, Samuel Kaski and Luigi Acerbi. "Amortized Probabilistic Conditioning for Optimization, Simulation and Inference". axXiv:2410.15320, 2024.
- 2. Ayush Bharti, **Daolang Huang**, Samuel Kaski and F.X Briol, "Cost-Aware Simulation-Based Inference". axXiv:2410.07930, 2024.
- 3. Xinyu Zhang, **Daolang Huang**, Julien Martinelli and Samuel Kaski. "PABBO: Preferential Amortized Black-Box Optimization". *Openreview*: https://openreview.net/pdf?id=YhfrKB3Ah7, 2024.
- 4. **Daolang Huang**, Louis Filstroff, Petrus Mikkola, Runkai Zheng and Samuel Kaski. "Bayesian Optimization Augmented with Actively Elicited Expert Knowledge". arXiv:2208.08742, 2022.

## Experience

**Doctoral Researcher** 

Espoo, Finland

July 2022 - Present

Aalto University

- Position-based doctoral researcher in Probabilistic Machine Learning Group (Aalto University) and Machine and Human Intelligence group (University of Helsinki)
- o Topic: Amortized Bayesian inference

Thesis Worker

Espoo, Finland

Aulto University

Oct 2021 - May 2022

- o Master thesis worker in Probabilistic Machine Learning Group (PML), supervised by Prof. Samuel Kaski
- o Topic: Human-in-the-Loop Bayesian Optimization

Summer intern

Espoo, Finland

Aalto University

June 2021 - Aug 2021

- Summer intern in Probabilistic Machine Learning Group (PML), supervised by Prof. Samuel Kaski and Dr. Louis Filstroff
- o Topic: Targeted-aware Bayesian active learning

## Startup Founder & Manager

Guangzhou, China

EDM Heaven

Feb 2017 - Aug 2020

 Specialized in customized music services for musicians and producers, including mixing and mastering, catering to diverse client requirements and genres

Summer Intern

Guangzhou, China

Neuedu Education Technology Co., Ltd.

June 2019 - Aug 2019

o Summer intern, Python developer

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#### Skills

Languages: English (C1), Mandarin (native), Finnish (basic)

**Programming:** Python, Java, C, R

Data Science: Pytorch, Jax, sklearn, scipy, numpy, pandas, ...

# Teaching

Summer Intern Supervisor, Xinyi Wen, Aulto University, Summer 2024.

Master's Thesis Supervisor, Xinyu Zhang, Aulto University, Spring 2024.

Bachelor's Thesis Supervisor, Filip Eller, Aalto University, Spring 2024.

Bachelor's Thesis Supervisor, Petrus Nikoskinen, Aulto University, Spring 2024.

Teaching Assistant, Deep learning, Aulto University, Spring 2024.

Tutor, Seminar in computer science, Aalto University, Autumn 2023.

Teaching Assistant, Deep learning, Aulto University, Spring 2023.

Teaching Assistant, Deep learning, Aulto University, Spring 2022.

Teaching Assistant, C Programming, Jinan University-University of Birmingham Joint Institute, Spring 2020.

## **Events**

Poster and Photographer, FCAI AI day + Nordic AI Meet, October 2024.

Poster, NeurIPS 2023, December 2023.

Poster, ELLIS Unit Helsinki pre-NeurIPS Fest 2023, December 2023.

Talk, Mathematical perspective on machine learning seminar, University of Helsinki, November 2023.

Talk, FCAI AI day, November 2023.

Poster, ELLIS RobustML Workshop, September 2023.

Poster and Talk, ELLIS Doctoral Symposium 2023, August 2023.

Poster, ICML 2023 workshop The Many Facets of Preference-based Learning, July 2023.

# Academic Services

NeurIPS 2024, AISTATS 2025, ICLR 2025

#### Awards and Achievements

Top 3 Nominee for AI Researcher of the Year, AI Finland, 2024.

Dean's List Scholarships, Aalto university, 2021.

International Talent Program, Aalto University, 2021.

Aalto University Scholarship (100% tuition waiver), Aalto University, 2020.

Second-class Scholarship for Outstanding Students, Jinan University, 2019.

First-class Scholarship for Outstanding Students, Jinan University, 2018.

Third-class Scholarship for Outstanding Students, Jinan University, 2017.