# Ivar Cashin Eriksson

### Introduction

I am a mathematically inclined Data Scientist with 6 years of experience applying ML in domains like healthcare. I hold a Master's degree in Data Science and Applied Mathematics (GPA 5.0/5.0) and have worked with autoencoders and probabilistic models to extract structure from high-dimensional data. I am looking to return to academia to pursue a PhD where I can contribute to foundational research.

### **Education**

- 2015–2020 **Royal Institute of Technology, KTH Data Science and Engineering**, GPA: 5.0 (out of 5.0) Master: Statistical Learning and Data Analytics, Bachelor: Engineering Physics. See thesis.
- 2017–2022 Stockholm University, SU Economics, Supplementary Bachelor
- 2019–2019 Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, ETH Applied Mathematics, Exchange

## Selected Work Experience

Data Science Researcher @ RaySearch Laboratories

- O Designed a 3D computer-vision pipeline for automated cancer treatment.
- O Built lexicographic dose-optimisation for palliative care. Continuously validated with clinicians.

 $Keywords:\ 3D\ computer\ vision,\ probabilistic\ modelling,\ latent\ representation,\ segmentation,\ autoencoders,\ optimisation,\ healthcare\ AI$ 

Read more...

#### Principal Data Scientist @ Valcon

- o Led design and development of a real-time multi-modal ML pipeline deployed using Azure ML.
- o Mentored junior colleagues and held trainings in xAI and Git.
- o Won "People's Choice Award 2023" for exemplary work, leadership, team spirit, and curiosity.

Keywords: Real-time ML, NLP, interpretability in AI, MLOps, multi-modal, Azure, Docker, mentoring

Read more...

## Solo Side Project

Developing an end-to-end CV system to improve e-commerce navigation by making product images interactive.

- O Web scraping pipeline to dynamically index all items on a webshop.
- Object detection and classification using YOLOv8, SAM2, and OpenClip to extract all items.
- O Chromium plugin to display interactive links, improving user navigation.

Keywords: Computer vision, object detection, segmentation, semantic embedding, full-stack ML engineering, fine-tuning, web scraping

Read more...

### Skills and Other

Technology Python (PyTorch, TensorFlow, scikit-learn, SHAP, YOLO, SAM2, OpenClip), SQL, HTML,

CSS, MS Azure (Data Science Associate Certified), Databricks, AWS, Azure DevOps, Mon-

goDB, FAISS, Docker, NGINX, 3D Printing, Fusion 360, Blender.

Language Native: English, Swedish. Intermediate: Danish.

Personal In my spare time I enjoy working on projects, such as designing and building furniture.

Other Member of Mensa Sweden.

## Detailed Work Experience

### 2024 Data Scientist, Signum Life Science, Copenhagen

Present At Signum, I maintain and lead development on Kwarts, a next-best-action engine for pharmaceutical sales. Originally built externally, I now own the system internally – extending it with features like explainable AI in collaboration with UX designers, and supporting its commercialisation by contributing to sales material. Kwarts adapts to varied customer data maturity, from rule-based logic to deep learning, and is deployed in AWS for scalability.

I also maintain and improve our pharmaceutical price forecasting model, which helps clients navigate Denmark's fortnightly blind auctions. After stabilising the XGBoost-based system, I am now driving efforts toward a more modern, user-focused version.

Beyond model development, I am also organising an internal week-long hackathon involving up to 40 participants.

#### 2022–2024 **Principal Data Scientist**, *Valcon*, Copenhagen

Led data science projects across pharma, energy, IoT, and manufacturing. Mentored junior colleagues, led xAI and Git trainings, and shaped internal practices. Regularly presented to nontechnical stakeholders, honing my ability to translate complex ideas clearly.

One project involved training a real-time deep neural network with an advanced custom training pipeline and modular architecture. The training data consisted of natural-language and high dimensional multi-class labels which made for a challenging prediction problem. I was the lead data scientist and architect of the solution and responsible for implementing the end-to-end inproduction pipeline.

I was awarded the "Valcon People's Choice Award 2023" for exemplary work, leadership, team spirit, and scientific curiosity.

#### 2021–2022 Data Scientist, Valtech, Copenhagen

Delivered ML solutions in e-commerce. Built time series forecasts using Facebook Prophet, and applied clustering to behavioural data to support personalisation. Worked closely with business stakeholders to ensure actionable outputs.

#### 2019–2021 Data Science Researcher, RaySearch Laboratories, Stockholm

At RaySearch Laboratories, I worked on automating radiotherapy planning using a combination of deep learning, probabilistic modelling, and multi-objective optimisation. I developed a pipeline that extracted latent anatomical features from segmented 3D CT scans using autoencoders, and used these to identify similar patients via a learned similarity metric. Dose-volume histograms and spatial dose distributions were then predicted using sparse Gaussian processes, providing a probabilistic framework for dose planning conditioned on patient geometry. This enabled personalised, data-driven dose estimation and laid the groundwork for more robust automation in treatment.

Alongside this, I redesigned some of RaySearch's lexicographic optimisation algorithms to better reflect clinical decision hierarchies, particularly in palliative care where trade-offs between tumour control and organ sparing are nuanced. I collaborated closely with medical physicists and clinicians throughout, ensuring the models aligned with both oncological standards and practical workflow requirements.

## Other Detailed Experience

#### 2025-Present Solo Project, Project iris

In this personal project I am building an end-to-end computer vision system for making product images on e-commerce sites interactive. The pipeline detects individual items using a YOLOv8 or SAM2 model, and embeds them semantically using OpenCLIP. The embeddings are then compared to support intelligent product linking across all images and products in a web store.

The system includes a full-stack setup with a FastAPI backend, MongoDB for persistence, a FAISS index for fast vector search, and a custom-built Chromium plug-in that overlays clickable links directly onto web shop imagery in real-time. The project also includes a dynamic scraping and indexing pipeline for ingesting and structuring product data from arbitrary e-commerce sites.

The project has been a learning opportunity for fine-tuning of deep learning models and practical ML engineering.

Note: Project iris is hosted in a private repository. I am happy to provide access upon request.