

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

- 2018 - **PhD in Computational Neuroscience and Machine Learning**  
**mackelab**, TU Munich and University of Tübingen
- 2015 - 2018 **MSc in Computational Neuroscience** (with distinction)  
Bernstein Center for Computational Neuroscience, Berlin, Germany  
Thesis: *Model Comparison in Approximate Bayesian Computation*
- 2011 - 2015 **BSc in Cognitive Science** (with distinction)  
University of Osnabrück, Osnabrück, Germany  
Thesis: *Online Decoding of Contour Perception through EEG*

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## Professional Experience

- 2018 - **PhD student with Prof. Jakob Macke**  
**Machine Learning in Science**, University of Tübingen  
• Bayesian inference for intractable models, applied to connectomics
- 2016 - 2018 **Research assistant with Prof. Susanne Schreiber**  
**Computational Neurophysiology**, Humboldt University Berlin  
• studying energy efficiency of synaptic stimuli in single cell models
- 2017 - 2018 **Master thesis with Prof. Jakob Macke**  
**Neural Systems Analysis**, Caesar Research Center, Bonn
- 2016 - 2018 **Research intern with Prof. Henning Sprekeler**,  
**Modeling of Cognitive Processes**, Technical University Berlin  
• analysis of a model for the formation of grid cells, master thesis
- Mar 2017 - Jul 2017 **Research intern with Prof. Andrea Kühn**,  
**Movement Disorder Group**, Charité University Medicine Berlin  
• analysis of local field potential data for deep brain stimulation
- Aug 2014 - Oct 2014 **Research intern, Department of Biomedical Engineering**  
Universidad Antonio Nariño, Bogotá, Colombia  
• EEG data analysis and decoding for brain-computer interfaces
- Aug 2013 - Dec 2013 **Research intern, Department of Psychiatry**  
University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada  
• fMRI data analysis

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## Teaching Experience

- 2018 - **Lecturer, MSNE Master program, TU Munich**  
Master's course: Introduction to programming and ML in Python  
Master's course: Large Scale Modeling and Data Analysis

2012 - 2015      **Teaching Assistant, University of Osnabrück**  
Tutor in lectures on logic, mathematics and neuroinformatics

### **Awards and Memberships**

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2016              Smartstart scholarship by Bernstein Network and Volkswagen Stiftung  
2013 and 2014    DAAD RISE scholarship 2013 (Vancouver) and 2014 (Bogotá)

### **Skills**

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Languages	<b>German</b> native	<b>English</b> C1	<b>Spanish</b> B1	<b>French</b> B1
Programming	<b>Python, Java, Shell, Git, GitHub, CI</b> — advanced			

### **Community engagement**

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Reviewing              Journal of Open Source Software; ICLR 2021  
Teaching              Workshop: **“Simulation-based inference for scientific discovery”**

### **Publications**

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Journal papers:

\*Tejero-Cantero, A., **\*Boelts, J.**, \*Deistler, M., \*Lueckmann, J. M., Durkan, C.,  
Gonçalves, P. J., Greenberg D. S. & Macke, J. H. (2020).  
Sbi: a toolkit for simulation-based inference.  
Journal of Open Source Software, 5(52), 2505.

Conference papers:

Lueckmann, J. M., **Boelts, J.**, Greenberg, D. S., Gonçalves, P. J., & Macke, J. H.  
(2021).  
Benchmarking Simulation-Based Inference.  
AISTATS 2021.

**Boelts, J.**, Lueckmann, J. M., Gonçalves, P., Sprekeler, H., & Macke, J. H. (2018).  
Model selection via neural density estimation.  
In Conference in Cognitive Computing 2018, Hannover, Germany.

**Boelts, J.**, Cerquera, A., & Ruiz-Olaya, A. F. (2015).  
Decoding of imaginary motor movements of fists applying spatial filtering in a BCI  
simulated application.  
In International Work-Conference on the Interplay Between Natural and Artificial  
Computation (pp. 153-162). Springer, Cham.

Conference abstracts:

**Boelts, J.**, Harth, P., Yanez, F., Hege, H. C., Oberlaender, M., & Macke, J. H. (2019).  
Bayesian inference for synaptic connectivity rules in anatomically realistic cortical  
connectomes.

In Bernstein Conference 2019, Berlin, Germany.

**Boelts, J.**, Lueckmann, JM., Gonçalves, P., Sprekeler, H., Macke J. H.. (2017).

Model selection via neural density estimation.

*Cognitive Computing 2018 Abstracts.*

**Boelts, J.**, van Wijk, B., Litvak, W., Kühn, A. (2017).

Pathological phase-amplitude coupling in the subthalamic nucleus is not explained by non-sinusoidal oscillations.

*Bernstein Conference 2017 Abstracts.*

Lavigne, K. M., **Boelts, J.**, & Woodward, T. S. (2014).

Hallucination- and speechspecific hypercoupling in an auditory-motor network: Data from fBIRN.

*HBM 2014 20th Annual Meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping Abstracts*, 34.

Preprints:

Ramesh, P., Lueckmann, JM., **Boelts, J.**, Tejero-Cantero, Á., Greenberg, D., Macke, J.H. (2021).

GATSBI: General Adversarial Training for Simulation-Based Inference.

[openreview.net](https://openreview.net)