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Education	<b>California Institute of Technology (Caltech)</b> Ph.D. in Computation & Neural Systems Pasadena, CA	2014 – 2021
	<b>University of Minnesota, Twin Cities</b> B.S. in Physics, Minor in Computer Science Minneapolis, MN	2010 – 2014 High Distinction
Work Experience	<b>Google DeepMind</b> London, UK	Senior Research Scientist May 2024 – Present
		Research Scientist October 2021 – May 2024
	<b>Disney Research</b> Pittsburgh, PA	R&D Lab Associate (Intern) March 2017 – June 2017
Preprints	<b>Scaling Instructable Agents Across Many Simulated Worlds</b> SIMA Team <i>arXiv</i>	2024
Conference Publications	<b>Iterative Amortized Policy Optimization</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Alexandre Piché, Alessandro Davide Ialongo, Yisong Yue <i>Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)</i>	2021
	<b>Hierarchical Autoregressive Modeling for Neural Video Compression</b> Ruihan Yang, Yibo Yang, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Stephan Mandt <i>International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)</i>	2021
	<b>VAEs with Jointly Optimized Latent Dependency Structure</b> Jiawei He, Yu Gong, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Greg Mori, Andreas Lehrmann <i>International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)</i>	2019
	<b>A General Method for Amortizing Variational Filtering</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Milan Cvitkovic, Yisong Yue <i>Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)</i>	2018
	<b>Probabilistic Video Generation using Holistic Attribute Control</b> Jiawei He, Andreas Lehrmann, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Greg Mori, Leonid Sigal <i>European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)</i>	2018
	<b>Iterative Amortized Inference</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Yisong Yue, Stephan Mandt <i>International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)</i>	2018
Journal Publications	<b>Bridging the Gap Between Target Networks and Functional Regularization</b> Alexandre Piché, Valentin Thomas, Rafael Pardinás, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Gian Maria Marconi, Chris Pal, Mohammad Emtiyaz Khan <i>Transactions on Machine Learning Research</i>	2023
	<b>Insights from Generative Modeling for Neural Video Compression</b> Ruihan Yang, Yibo Yang, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Stephan Mandt <i>Transactions on Pattern Analysis &amp; Machine Intelligence</i>	2023

	<b>Predictive Coding, Variational Autoencoders, and Biological Connections</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> <i>Neural Computation</i>	2022
	<b>Improving Sequential Latent Variable Models with Autoregressive Flows</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Lei Chen, Jiawei He, Stephan Mandt <i>Machine Learning</i>	2021
<b>Selected Workshop Publications</b>	<b>Scale Space Flow with Autoregressive Priors</b> Ruihan Yang, Yibo Yang, <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Stephan Mandt <i>ICLR 2021 Workshop on Neural Compression</i>	2021
	<b>Sequential Autoregressive Flow-Based Policies</b> Alex Guerra, <b>Joseph Marino</b> <i>ICML INNf Workshop</i>	2020
	<b>On the Design of Variational RL Algorithms</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Alexandre Piché, Yisong Yue <i>NeurIPS Deep Reinforcement Learning Workshop</i>	2019
	<b>An Inference Perspective on Model-Based Reinforcement Learning</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> , Yisong Yue <i>ICML Workshop on Generative Modeling &amp; Model-Based Reasoning</i>	2019
<b>Thesis</b>	<b>Learned Feedback &amp; Feedforward Perception &amp; Control</b> <b>Joseph Marino</b> <i>Ph.D. Thesis</i>	2021
<b>Teaching</b>	CS 159 - Special Topics in Machine Learning (Teaching Assistant, Lecturer) <i>Lectures: Intro. to Deep Generative Models, Latent Variable Models, Amortized Optimization, Model-Based RL</i>	2019 – 2021
	CS 155 - Machine Learning & Data Mining (Guest Lecturer) <i>Lectures: Intro. to Deep Learning, CNNs &amp; RNNs, Deep Generative Models</i>	2017 – 2020
	CS 259 - [ @ UC Irvine ] Deep Generative Models (Guest Lecturer) <i>Lectures: Deep Sequential Latent Variable Models</i>	2019 – 2020
	Theory of Biological Computation (Guest Lecturer) <i>Lectures: Predictive Coding</i>	2018
	CNS 187 - Neural Computation (Teaching Assistant, Guest Lecturer) <i>Lectures: Convolutional Neural Networks, Biological Inspiration</i>	2015 – 2016
<b>Reviewing</b>	<b>Conferences</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICLR: <i>R</i>: 2021–2023, <i>AC</i>: 2024</li> <li>• NeurIPS: <i>R</i>: 2019–2023</li> <li>• ICML: <i>R</i>: 2019–2022</li> <li>• CVPR: <i>R</i>: 2017–2019</li> <li>• ECCV: <i>R</i>: 2018</li> <li>• ICCV: <i>R</i>: 2017</li> </ul> <b>Journals</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foundations &amp; Trends in Machine Learning: 2021–2022</li> </ul>	

<b>Awards</b>	NSF GRFP Honorable Mention	2016
	Kunzel Fellowship, Caltech	2014 – 2017
	Dean’s List, University of Minnesota	2010 – 2014
	Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Caltech	2013
	Eagle Scout Award, Boy Scouts of America	2010