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## Research Interests

How to make machines understand the world through generative modeling.

## Education

- 11/2023– **Ph.D. Computer Science**, *Technical University of Denmark*, Copenhagen, DK  
11/2026 Advisors: [Dim P. Papadopoulos](#), [Serge Belongie](#)
- 08/2020– **M.Sc. Machine Learning**, *KTH Royal Institute of Technology*, Stockholm, SE  
09/2022 GPA 4.84/5.00
- 08/2021– **Exchange Computer Science**, *Delft University of Technology*, Delft, NL  
01/2022
- 09/2017– **B.Sc. Computer Engineering**, *University of Genoa*, Genoa, IT  
07/2020 Final Grade: 109/110 (Rank 4/150)

## Experience

- 10/2023– **PhD Student**, *DTU & Pioneer Centre for AI*, Copenhagen, DK  
Present Advisors: [Dim P. Papadopoulos](#), [Serge Belongie](#)  
Research on generative models for image generation and understanding.
- 01/2023– **Research Intern**, *Aptiv*, Düsseldorf, DE  
10/2023 Supervisor: [Pascal Colling](#)  
Developed a deep learning algorithm for HD map generation from radar and LiDAR data.
- 01/2022– **Research Intern**, *KTH & SMaRC*, Stockholm, SE  
09/2022 Supervisor: [John Folkesson](#)  
Developed a pose estimation algorithm for underwater vehicles from sonar data.

## Awards

- 2025 Selected, International Computer Vision Summer School (ICVSS)
- 2021 Mentee, LeadTheFuture Mentorship Program
- 2020 Hattrick Award, KTH
- 2018–2020 Scholarship, University of Genoa

## Teaching

- 2024–2025 Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Deep Learning in Computer Vision (DTU)
- 2025 Teaching Assistant, Advanced Deep Learning in Computer Vision (DTU)
- 2024–2025 Academic Support, SPS (DTU), Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2024 Invited Talk, Computer Vision Workshop, Pioneer Centre for AI

## Publications

- 1 **Schouten, M.**, Kaya, M.O., Belongie, S., Papadopoulos, D.P. “Instruction-Guided Precise Image Editing Using Multimodal LLMs.” *CVPR Workshops*, 2025. [\[PDF\]](#)
- 2 **Schouten, M.**, Kaya, M.O., Belongie, S., Papadopoulos, D.P. “POEM: Precise Object-Level Editing via MLLM Control.” *SCIA*, 2025. [\[arXiv\]](#)
- 3 Cadermatori, L., Galatà, G., Monaco, C.L., Maratea, M., Mochi, M., **Schouten, M.** “An ASP-Based Approach to Master Surgical Scheduling.” *CILC*, 2022. [\[PDF\]](#)
- 4 Alviano, M., Bertolucci, R., Cardellini, M., Dodaro, C., Galatà, G., Khan, M.K., Maratea, M., Mochi, M., Morozan, V., Porro, I., **Schouten, M.** “Answer Set Programming in Healthcare: Extended Overview.” *AI\*IA*, 2020. [\[PDF\]](#)

## Skills

Programming Python, PyTorch, LaTeX  
Tools Git, Bash, High-performance computing (HPC)  
Languages English, Italian