

PHD RESEARCHER · BAYESIAN STATISTICS & DEEP LEARNING

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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science

since 2021

CLUSTER OF EXCELLENCE SIMTECH, UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART

- Junior Research Group for Bayesian Statistics, supervised by Dr. Paul-Christian Bürkner
- · Focus: Bayesian model comparison, probabilistic machine learning, simulation-based inference
- Tools: R, Python, Stan

M.Sc. in Data and Computer Science

2020 – 2022

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY

grade 1.0 / 4.0 (best: 1.0)

- Master thesis: Visualization of Distribution and Uncertainty of Posterior Model Probabilities
- · Tools: Python, C++, Java, OpenGL

M.Sc. in Psychology

2018 - 2021

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY

grade 1.0 / 4.0 (best: 1.0)

- Master thesis: Did you Miss Me? Model Misspecification in Bayesian Parameter Estimation Tasks with Invertible Neural Networks
- Tools: R, Python

B.Sc. in Psychology

2014 - 2018

grade 1.2 / 4.0 (best: 1.0)

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY
- Bachelor thesis: Influence of suggestive questions on usability tests

• Tools: R, SPSS

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Abitur (A-levels) 2006 – 2014

Auguste-Viktoria-Gymnasium, Trier

grade 1.1 / 4.0 (best: 1.0)

• Stayed abroad in southern India to foster the school's humanitarian UNESCO project with local representatives.

· Stayed abroad in Illinois, US, for a CertiLingua research project on the impact of the religious education system in the US.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Associate since 202

SIMTECH CLUSTER OF EXCELLENCE, UNIVERSITY OF STUTTGART

Stuttgart, Germany

- Supervised by Dr. Paul-Christian Bürkner.
- Cyber Valley project Meta-Uncertainty in Bayesian Model Comparison.
- Researching methods to improve current Bayesian model comparison workflows through extensive simulations.

Workshop Assistant and Business Consultant

2017 - 2019

FREELANCE

Germany

- Assisted with conception and realization of business workshops on communication, leadership development, group coaching, conflict, change, and personality.
- Developed a manuscript generation software to create custom training material with Python, Flask and LaTeX.

Network Officer 2017 – 2019

MARSILIUS-KOLLEG CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDY

Heidelberg, Germany

- Organized and coordinated IT-tasks and due diligence.
- Implemented a live streaming solution for live events based on UDP multicast (internal) and RTMP (external).
- · Established a network-wide media center based on Samba.
- Maintained the center's website and digital knowledge base in the Imperia CMS with custom HTML, CSS, PHP and JavaScript.
- Assisted in organizing and hosting symposia, conferences, and talks.

Research Intern 2018

QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS, INSTITUTE FOR PSYCHOLOGY

Heidelberg, Germany

- Supervised by Dr. Veronika Lerche
- Developed an algorithm to derive expectation measures from eye-tracking data.
- Gained first on-hands experience with Machine Learning techniques in R.

Consultant Intern 2017

MC HISCHE UNTERNEHMENSBERATUNG

Wiesbaden, Germany

• Assisted in the preparation and realization of business workshops.

• Facilitated a book publication with focus on content, style guidelines, and typesetting.

TEACHING

Summer 2022	Lecture & Exercise, Statistical Inference	Fresenius UAS, Heidelberg
Summer 2022	Exercise (TA), Bayesian Statistics and Probabilistic Machine Learning	University of Stuttgart
Winter 2021/22	Lecture & Exercise, Statistical Inference	Fresenius UAS, Heidelberg
Winter 2021/22	Seminar, Introduction to Statistics with R for PhD researchers	Heidelberg University
Summer 2021	Exercise, Descriptive Statistics & Probability Theory	Fresenius UAS, Heidelberg
Summer 2021	Lecture & Exercise, Statistical Inference	Fresenius UAS, Heidelberg
Winter 2020/21	Seminar (TA), Statistics with R (Prof. Andreas Voß)	Heidelberg University
Winter 2020/21	Lecture & Exercise, Statistical Inference	Fresenius UAS, Heidelberg
Summer 2020	Seminar (TA), Programming with R (Prof. Andreas Voß)	Heidelberg University
2020	Seminar (TA), Communication Techniques (DiplPsych. Marja C. Hische)	Fresenius UAS, Wiesbaden
2017	Workshop (TA), Group Coaching (DiplPsych. Marja C. Hische)	Fresenius UAS, Frankfurt
2016-2019	Tutorial, Descriptive Statistics & Statistical Inference (Prof. Andreas Voß)	Heidelberg University

Extracurricular Activities & Awards

Scholarship holder, German Academic Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung d. dt. Volkes)	
Didactic certificate for tutors, Heidelberg University	
Elected representative, Examination board M.Sc. & Diploma Psychology (break 10/2016 – 09/2017)	
Elected representative, Institute Council (Fachrat) Psychology	
Member, Student Council (Fachschaft) Psychology	
Award for remarkable social commitment, Auguste-Viktoria-Gymnasium Trier	

SKILLS

Languages German (native), English (fluent), French (basic), Latin (basic), Norwegian (basic)

Programming Python, R, occasionally: C++, JavaScript, HTML, CSS

Data Science Python (Tensorflow/keras, PyTorch, sklearn, scipy, numpy, pandas), R (brms, lme4, afex, tidyverse), Stan

Visualization Python (matplotlib, seaborn), R (ggplot2, plotly, rgl, shiny, gganimate)

Documentation LaTeX (KOMA, tikZ), git, Imperia, Markdown, RMarkdown, Jupyter, sphinx, roxygen, Quarto

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Marvin Schmitt**, Stefan T. Radev, and Paul-Christian Bürkner. Meta-Uncertainty in Bayesian Model Comparison. *AISTATS (accepted)*, 2023.
- [2] **Marvin Schmitt**, Paul-Christian Bürkner, Ullrich Köthe, and Stefan T. Radev. Detecting Model Misspecification in Amortized Bayesian Inference with Neural Networks, 2021. arXiv pre-print.