# James Newling

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#### Research Interests

Statistical learning, deep learning, numerical algorithms, high performance computing

#### Education

Februrary 2018, PhD in Computer Science at École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

June 2013, MSc in Complexity Science at École Polytechnique (Paris) and Warwick University

June 2011, Masters in Applied Mathematics at The University of Cape Town

December 2009, Honours Degree in Mathematics and Statistics at The University of Cape Town

### **Employment**

Since March 2018, Software Engineer, Graphcore

September 2013 - Febraruy 2018 Research Assistant at the Idiap Research Institute

September 2016 - December 2016, Intern at Advanced Micro Devices (Austin, TX)

April 2013 - September 2013, Research Assistant in the Mukherjee Lab for Statistical Systems Biology, Netherlands Cancer Institute

February 2010 - June 2010, Maths Lecturer in Non-linear Optimization at the University of Cape Town

#### Software

MIOpenGEMM. OpenCL GEMM (matrix multiplication) kernels, auto-tuning, and API. I started this project while on internship at AMD in October 2016. MIOpenGEMM is currently used by AMD's machine learning library, MIOpen.

zentas and eakmeans. Partitional clustering software projects related to my PhD work.

# Machine Learning Conference Proceedings

- J. Newling and F. Fleuret. **K-Medoids For K-Means Seeding**. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), 2017.
- J. Newling and F. Fleuret. **A Sub-Quadratic Exact Medoid Algorithm**. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS), pages 185-193, 2017. (Best paper award)

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J. Newling and F. Fleuret. **Nested Mini-Batch K-Means**. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), pages 1352-1360, 2016.

J. Newling and F. Fleuret. **Fast K-Means with Accurate Bounds**. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), pages 936-944, 2016

# **Computer Programming**

Very familiar with C++11, Python, numerical algorithms. Familiar with OpenCL and deep learning software stacks.

## Selected University Courses

**École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne** : Advanced Algorithms, Topics in Theoretical Computer Science, Mathematics of Data, Statistical Physics for Computer Science, Topics on Datacenter Design

**Warwick University**: Algorithms, Mathematical Biology, Theoretical Neuroscience, Scientific Computing, Fundamentals of Modern Statistical Inference

**École Polytechnique**: Complex Systems, Dynamical Systems, Numerical ODEs and SDEs, Data Minimg, Statistical Learning, Signal Processing, Random Models in Evolution

**University of Cape Town**: Applied Mathematics (I, II, IV), Computer Science (Ia), Economics (I), Mathematics (I, II, III), Physics (I, II), Statistics (I, II, III)