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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Science

Fall 2021 - (Ongoing)

Quebec City, Canada

- Mila and Intelligence and Data Institute (IID), Laval University, Quebec, Canada
- Visiting Student Researcher, Stanford University, Fall 2025

MSc. in Machine Learning

2018 - 2019

<u>AIMS African Master's of Machine Intelligence</u>, Kigali, Rwanda Taught by international experts, a Master's program funded by Meta and Google, <u>Complete list of courses</u> (ML Fundamentals, Computer Vision, NLP, etc.)

MSc. in Mathematical Sciences

2016 - 2017

African Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Limbe, Cameroon

MSc. in Computer Engineering

2011 - 2016

Ecole Polytechnique Yaoundé, Cameroon

PUBLICATIONS

- <u>A Layer Selection Approach to Test Time Adaptation</u>, Sahoo, S., ElAraby, M., **Ngnawe**, J., Pequignot, Y., Precioso, F., & Gagné, C. (**AAAI 2025**).
- <u>Detecting Brittle Decisions for Free: Leveraging Margin Consistency in Deep Robust Classifiers</u>,
 Ngnawé, J., Sahoo, S., Pequignot, Y., Precioso, F., & Gagné, C. (NeurIPS 2024).
- Robustmix: Improving Robustness by Regularizing the Frequency Bias of Deep Networks. Ngnawe, J., Njifon, M. A., Heek, J., & Dauphin, Y. (NeurlPS 2022 Workshop on Distribution Shifts).
- <u>Scalable Inference with Distributed Gaussian Processes using the Wasserstein Barycenter.</u> Ngnawé,
 J., Deisenroth, M. (Master's project)
- <u>k-Clustering Problem-Application to a Field Technician Allocation Optimization Problem.</u> **Ngnawé, J**, Zacko, E., Wandji, N., Ndjinga, M. (Master's project)

AI/ML EXPERIENCE

Google AI resident Google Brain Team Accra, Ghana

Oct 2019 - Sep 2021

- Development of robust methods for deep neural networks
- Compression of deep neural networks by quantization and pruning

Summer Schools

- Machine Learning Summer School (MLSS), London 2019
- DLRL: Deep Learning and Reinforcement Learning Summer School, Edmonton 2025

AI/ML SKILLS

ML Frameworks Pytorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn

MLOps Tools Git/Github, Weight&Biases, Docker, Ray, Slurm, Google Cloud Platform

Other Distributed Training, VLMs/LLMs, Adversarial Evaluation

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Software Developer, Bolloré Africa Logistics, Port of Douala, Cameroon

Feb - Aug 2016

- Automation and Analysis of the Review of Access Rights to the Information System
- Detection of abnormal access rights

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> Talend Open Studio, Qlikview, C#, ASP.Net, Microsoft SQL Server, Visual Studio, UML/Merise, BPMN 2.0, PMI Methodology

Computer engineer, GroupOne Holding Company, Limbe, Cameroon

Jan - Aug 2018

- Website development
- Fuel consumption prediction projects
- Studies for the creation of a startup incubator (Business plan)
- Industrial Maintenance (Refinery) of the Honeywell Experion System
- IT Support

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> HTML5/CSS3/JavaScript/JQuery/JQueryUI/Ajax/PHP, MySQL, Méthodologie PMI, Business Model Canvas

Freelance Software Developer

2017-2018

- Digitization of administrative procedures for various ministries in Cameroon,
- Development and maintenance of WordPress plugins (WooCommerce)

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> DevOps, Electronic Document Management (EDM)/Electronic Archiving (MARCH RM), PHP, WooCommerce, MySQL Workbench, Microsoft Access, Git/Gitlab/Github, Java, Netbeans, SCRUM

Talks

- Panellist, "AI Regulation & Fairness in the Generative AI Era." Black In AI Workshop at Neurips 2024
- "Detecting Brittle Decisions for Free" Kmer Al June 2024, Galsen Al January 2025
- Keynote speaker, "Robustness in AI" Deep Learning IndabaX-Cameroon Dec. 27, 2022
- Host at Kmer Al Talks

Reviews

- NeurIPS
- <u>IEEE Transactions on Image Processing</u>
- Algorithmic Fairness through the Lens of Causality and Robustness @NeurIPS 2021
- Algorithmic Fairness through the Lens of Causality and Privacy @NeurIPS 2022
- Algorithmic Fairness through the Lens of Time @NeurIPS 2023
- Algorithmic Fairness through the Lens of Metrics and Evaluation @NeurIPS 2024
- Montreal Al Symposium 2022, 2024
- Black in Al Workshop @NeurlPS 2022, 2023, 2024
- Deep Learning Indaba, Pan-African Machine Learning Conference, 2023

Leadership and Event Organization

- Organizing committee of <u>Interpolate workshop @Neurips2022</u>: First Workshop on Interpolation Regularizers and Beyond.
- Co-organizer of a Machine Learning Projects Competition (MLPC) 2020, 2021, 2022, Polytechnique Yaoundé.
- Co-organizer of a two (02) week introductory course in Machine Learning, September 2019, Polytechnique Yaoundé.
- Co-organizer of the first Deep Learning IndabaX Rwanda, Machine Learning and Al conference, April 2019, Kigali, Rwanda.
- **Co-Founder of Kmer-Al**, an association for promoting and vulgarizing Al and Machine Learning in Cameroon. Since 2020.