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SUMMARY

- Data Scientist with a focus on Machine Learning and Computer Vision
- Statistical modeling expert; was on the core team that discovered the Higgs Boson at CERN
- Organizer of the *NYC Data Breakfast*
- Creator of *pysparkling* and *Databench*, see [GitHub: https://github.com/svenkreiss](https://github.com/svenkreiss)
- Preferred programming languages: Python, C++ and JavaScript
- Languages: English (fluent), German (native), French (basic)

EXPERIENCE

- Sidewalk Labs**, New York April 2016 — present
Data Scientist
Predictive modeling for the transportation coordination platform [Flow](#)
Geospatial tools and analyses for Sidewalk's Policy team
- Wildcard**, New York Sept 2014 — March 2016
Lead Data Scientist
Developed a machine learning tool for text and media extraction from HTML
Created content recommendation engine with Collaborative Filtering on Spark
Supervised dataset generation by in-house analysts
- ElectronX**, Germany July 2007 — Aug 2009
Founder
Designed circuit boards and manufactured electronic devices

EDUCATION

- New York University**, New York Sept 2009 — Mai 2014
Doctor of Philosophy
Thesis: Higgs Boson Discovery and First Property Measurements using the ATLAS Detector
Award: NSF LHC Student Support Award for a one-year-stay at CERN in Geneva, Switzerland
- University of Edinburgh**, UK Sept 2005 — Sept 2009
Master of Physics with Honors in Mathematical Physics, Bachelor of Science
Thesis: New Physics at the LHC: Distinguishability of Supersymmetry and Little Higgs models

SOFTWARE

- pysparkling**, A native Python implementation of Spark's RDD interface May 2015
Github: <https://github.com/svenkreiss/pysparkling>
- Databench**, An interactive realtime data analysis tool June 2014
Github: <https://github.com/svenkreiss/databench>

TALKS

- MLconf**, Atlanta Sept 2015
Conference talk on *Deep ML Architecture at Wildcard*.
- Betaworks**, New York May 2015
Talk on *Data and the Higgs Boson Discovery*.
- University of Cambridge**, UK Jan 2014
Seminar on *Factorizing Theoretical Uncertainties from LHC Higgs Coupling Measurements*.
- Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (SAMSI)**, Durham, NC July 2013
Talk on *Modeling and Statistical Analysis for Higgs Physics at the Large Hadron Collider* at the workshop on *Knowledge Extraction via Comparison of Complex Computational Models to Massive Data Sets*.
- CERN**, Switzerland Jan 2013
Talk on the $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ Likelihood in ATLAS at the workshop on *Likelihoods for the LHC Searches*.

SELECTED
PUBLICATIONS

As a former member of the ATLAS collaboration, I am a co-author of over 340 published papers which are listed on [my author page on inspirehep.net](#). Below is a list of publications where I made a significant contribution to the paper itself.

K. Cranmer, S. Kreiss, D. Lopez-Val, T. Plehn, Jan 2014, ***Decoupling Theoretical Uncertainties from Measurements of the Higgs Boson***, Phys Rev D91, [arXiv:1401.0080 \[hep-ph\]](#), [code on Github at svenkreiss/decouple](#), supplemental material at <http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.888607>.

ATLAS Collaboration, Sept 2013, *Likelihoods for the $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ and $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 4l$ channel in the $(\mu_{ggF+ttH} * B/B_{SM}, \mu_{VBF+VH} * B/B_{SM})$ plane for a Higgs boson mass $m_H = 125.5$ GeV*, Datasets on HepData: <https://inspirehep.net/record/1241574/data>.

ATLAS collaboration, July 2013, *Measurements of Higgs boson production and couplings in diboson final states with the ATLAS detector at the LHC*, **ATLAS writer**, Phys.Lett. B726 (2013) 88-119.

ATLAS collaboration, July 2013, *Evidence for the spin-0 nature of the Higgs boson using ATLAS data*, Phys.Lett. B726 (2013) 120-144.

ATLAS collaboration, March 2013, *Combined coupling measurements of the Higgs-like boson with the ATLAS detector using up to 25 fb^{-1} of proton-proton collision data*, **ATLAS writer**, ATLAS-COM-CONF-2013-035.

ATLAS collaboration, July 2012, ***Observation of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson with the ATLAS detector at the LHC***, **Responsible for Bayesian cross checks**, Phys.Lett. B716 (2012) 1-29.

ATLAS collaboration, July 2012, *Combined search for the Standard Model Higgs boson in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS detector*, Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 032003.

ATLAS collaboration, Feb 2012, *Combined search for the Standard Model Higgs boson using up to 4.9 fb^{-1} of pp collision data at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV with the ATLAS detector at the LHC*, Phys.Lett. B710 (2012) 49-66.

ATLAS collaboration, December 2010, *Measurement of the top quark pair production cross-section with ATLAS in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV*, Eur.Phys.J.C71:1577 (2011).

L. Moneta, K. Belasco, K.S. Cranmer, S. Kreiss, A. Lazzaro, et al, Oct 2012, ***The RooStats Project***, PoS (ACAT2010) 057.

B.C. Allanach et al, Jan 2008, *SUSY Les Houches Accord 2*, CPC 180 (2009) 1.

MEDIA

The New Yorker

Oct 2013

A Nobel Prize Party: Cheese, Bubbles, and a Boson by Betsy Morais

Momentum Campaign, New York University

Oct 2013

A one billion dollar fund-raising campaign where I am featured as one of three students.

The New York Times

March 2013

Chasing the Higgs by Dennis Overbye.

“On the night of June 24, the graduate students and postdocs in Atlas were tiptoeing toward the 5-sigma finish line. Among them was Sven Kreiss, a New York University graduate student who got a preliminary glimpse of the answer alone in his office late that night when, as part of a crosscheck, he combined the data from two signatures of the Higgs decay and found the result breached 5-sigma. The next day he sent a plot to his adviser Kyle Cranmer, whose birthday it was, saying he had a present for him.”

Science

Dec 2012

A Particle Consistent with the Higgs Boson Observed with the ATLAS Detector at the Large Hadron Collider by The ATLAS Collaboration.

I contributed the analysis of signal strength and mass shown in Fig. 12.