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## EDUCATION

### African Master's in Machine Intelligence (AMMI)

Master of Science in Machine Learning

Feb 2023 – Nov 2024

### African Institute for Mathematical Sciences (AIMS)

Master of Science in Mathematical Sciences

Nov 2022 – Aug 2023

### Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST)

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Oct 2017 – Nov 2021

## PUBLICATION

- Mensah, P., Aderinto, P. V., Yusuf, I. S., & Pretorius, A. (2025). Physics-Informed Transformer-VAE for the inversion of the PROSAIL radiative transfer model. In Proceedings of the Pan-African Artificial Intelligence and Smart Systems Conference (PA-AISS 2025). Lecture Notes of the Institute for Computer Sciences, Social-Informatics and Telecommunications Engineering (LNICST), Springer. (*Accepted*).

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Physics informed Transformer-VAE for biophysical parameter estimation: PROSAIL model inversion in Sentinel2 imagery

Graduate Research

April 2025

AMMI, Senegal

- Developed a physics-informed Transformer-VAE architecture to retrieve vegetation biophysical variables from satellite imagery for ecosystem monitoring and agricultural management
- Implemented an innovative approach to invert the PROSAIL radiative transfer model for simultaneous estimation of leaf area index (LAI) and canopy chlorophyll content (CCC)
- Achieved state-of-the-art performance on FRM4Veg and BelSAR datasets without requiring real satellite images for training, demonstrating cost-effective and self-supervised solution

### Dark-Soliton Quantum Bits from the Coherent Dynamics of Bose-Einstein Condensates (BECs) with Self-Defocusing Nonlinearity

Graduate Research

May 2023

AIMS, Ghana

- Investigated the coherent dynamics of Bose-Einstein condensates (BECs) with self-defocusing nonlinearity for quantum bit generation in dilute Bose gas systems
- Developed mathematical framework for finite-length BECs and studied quantum states induced by nonlinear BEC
- Explored novel mechanisms for encoding and manipulating quantum information in BECs with self-defocusing nonlinearity

### Predicting the severity of road traffic accidents in Ghana using machine learning algorithms

Undergraduate Research (BSc Thesis)

May 2021

KNUST, Ghana

- Developed machine learning models (Random Forest, Logistic Regression, Neural Networks) to predict crash injury severity using crash-related parameters
- Evaluated model performance using accuracy, precision, recall, F1-scores, and ROC scores
- Implemented feature selection techniques to determine relevant crash attributes for severity prediction

### Updates on Meningitis Surveillance in the Upper West region of Ghana (2012-2020)

Undergraduate Research

July 2021

KNUST, Ghana

- Analyzed long-term Meningitis surveillance data (2012-2020) from Ghana's Upper West region
- Utilized QGIS software to study spatial distribution of cases and deaths across 11 districts
- Extended previous research to provide comprehensive temporal analysis of disease patterns
- Developed visualizations to highlight trends and anomalies in Meningitis cases over time

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

### SevenX

*Artificial Intelligence Engineer*

*Jul 2025 – Sep 2025*

*Kigali, Rwanda*

- Building RESTful APIs and fine-tuning large language models for healthcare applications, including medical text analysis and patient data processing systems
- Developing scalable AI architectures using Docker containers and microservices for deployment in healthcare environments with strict compliance requirements
- Implementing model versioning and monitoring pipelines for healthcare AI systems, ensuring reliability and accuracy in clinical decision support applications

### InstaDeep

*AI Research Engineer Intern*

*Dec 2024 – April 2025*

*Kigali, Rwanda*

- Researched on physics-informed deep learning approaches for remote sensing applications, focusing on vegetation parameter estimation from satellite imagery
- Collaborated with research teams to develop a novel Transformer-PROSAIL-VAE architecture for environmental monitoring

### ALX Africa

*Software Engineer Intern*

*Sep 2022 – Dec 2022*

*Accra, Ghana*

- Built RESTful APIs for real-time data synchronization and integrated third-party services including payment gateways and shipping providers
- Implemented automated testing suites and CI/CD pipelines using GitHub Actions and Docker for continuous deployment and quality assurance

### Google

*Data Analytics Intern*

*Feb 2020 – Aug 2020*

*Accra, Ghana*

- Analyzed healthcare datasets to identify patterns in patient outcomes and treatment effectiveness, providing insights for healthcare providers
- Developed healthcare analytics dashboards using Tableau to visualize patient demographics, treatment protocols, and clinical performance metrics

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Industry Immersion Africa

*Course Tutor*

*Sep 2023 – Nov 2023*

*Accra, Ghana*

- Facilitated hands-on supplementary curriculum for industry-focused students
- Tutored courses including Introduction to Power BI, Advanced Microsoft Excel for Data Analytics, Introduction to General Management, Data & Decisions, and Agile Leadership

### Galois Analytics Limited

*Data Science Instructor*

*Feb 2023 – Aug 2023*

*Accra, Ghana*

- Delivered lectures and conducted workshops on predictive analytics, machine learning, data visualization, and programming in Python and R
- Engaged in collaborative curriculum design and strategic planning with program coordinators
- Provided comprehensive guidance through hands-on practical sessions to enhance student understanding of data science concepts

### KNUST

*Research & Teaching Assistant*

*Oct 2021 – Nov 2022*

*Kumasi, Ghana*

- Tutored undergraduate students in courses including Differential equations, Numerical methods, and Linear algebra
- Collaborated with faculty on research projects involving numerical methods, differential equations, and advanced linear algebra
- Designed tutorial materials and mid-semester exams while maintaining regular office hours for student support

## PROJECTS

### Cassava Leaf Disease Classification Competition (1st Place) | *ResNet, Streamlit, Docker* *ML/CV*

2024

*Kaggle Competition*

- Utilised the ResNet50 model for cassava leaf disease classification, and built a web app using the model to classify cassava leaf images into one of several categories to help identify common diseases
- Project links: [[Leaderboard](#)] [[Web App](#)]

### Text Summarization System | *FastAPI, Streamlit, Transformers* *NLP*

2024

*Team Project*

- Developed a full-stack text summarization system with FastAPI backend for authentication and transformer-based summarization
- Implemented user-friendly Streamlit frontend for text input and summary visualization, with comprehensive API documentation
- Project link: [[GitHub](#)]

### Sentiment Analysis on Movie Reviews | *BERT, Apache Airflow, MLflow* *NLP*

2023

*Team Project*

- Developed an end-to-end ML pipeline for sentiment analysis using BERT, orchestrated with Apache Airflow for automated workflow management
- Implemented MLflow for experiment tracking and DVC for data versioning, with FastAPI for model deployment
- Project link: [[GitHub](#)]

### Question-Answering System | *Flask, Streamlit, Docker, SentenceTransformers* *NLP*

2023

*Personal Project*

- Developed a Question-Answering (QA) system capable of processing user queries and returning relevant passages from a given corpus as answers. The system leverages advanced machine-learning techniques and efficient data retrieval mechanisms
- Implemented Generative AI (GPT 2) model to provide direct, concise answers based on retrieved passages, and utilized Streamlit to create a UI to interact with the ML system
- Project link: [[GitHub](#)]

### Connection Between American Corporate Elite | *Social Network Analysis with Networkx, igraph* *Data Science*

2023

*Personal Project*

- Utilised Networkx package to critically analyze the connections that exist between the American Corporate Elite in the US during the 1980s and 1990s
- Employed various methods to calculate important metrics (Eigenvector centrality, betweenness centrality, degree centrality, etc.) and used igraph to identify subgraphs and communities in the network

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Languages:** Python, JavaScript, C/C++, MATLAB, SQL, R
- **AI & ML:** PyTorch, JAX, RAG, Flux, Hugging Face Transformers
- **Backend & APIs:** FastAPI, Flask, Streamlit, Docker, RESTful APIs
- **DevOps & Deployment:** Git, MLflow, Apache Airflow, DVC, Docker, AWS

## AWARDS & CERTIFICATION

### Young African AI Research Fellowship (YAAR) *Research Award*

2023

*Ascend 360*

- Prestigious award initiated at Deep Learning Indaba Conference 2023, sponsored by Jeff Dean, Chief Scientist at Google DeepMind and Google Research
- Selected to nurture and develop emerging AI talent across the African continent

### Master's in Mathematical Sciences Scholarship *Academic Award*

2022

*AIMS*

- Full scholarship awarded by African Institute for Mathematical Science in collaboration with Ghana Government
- Awarded to talented postgraduate students from the African continent for studies at AIMS-Ghana

### **GNPC Scholarship Award**

*Academic Award*

2017

*Ghana National Petroleum Corporation*

- Competitive scholarship awarded to Bachelor's students demonstrating excellent academic performance
- Supported entire undergraduate education at KNUST

### **AWS Certification**

*Professional Certification*

2023

*Amazon Web Services*

- Completed Python for Machine Learning and Deep Learning Program
- Gained proficiency in building ML and DL algorithms on AWS platform

## **REFEREES**

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**Referees:** Below are the names and contact information of my referees.

### **Referee 1**

Prof. Dikande Alain Moise (Full Professor)

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### **Referee 2**

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Program & Research Manager AI For Science Master's

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*Relationship:* Lecturer, Machine Learning at AIMS-Ghana