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Key Skills:

- Python, C/C++
- PyTorch
- Generative models
- Git
- English (native), German (B2)

Professional Summary

Post-doctoral ML Researcher (Generative Models) seeking industry impact. 5 first-author publications (ICML, ICLR, NeurIPS, AISTATS) and 470 citations.

Work Experience

01/2025 - 06/2025

Heidelberg University, Germany - Postdoctoral Researcher

• Supervised 3 Masters students; one paper accepted at ICML 2025.

Education

09/2020 - 01/2025

Heidelberg University, Germany - PhD in Physics (Machine Learning Focus)

- Thesis: Free-Form Flows: Generative Models for Scientific Applications (magna cum laude)
- Focused on the design and application of generative models for science.
- 7 published papers, 3 as first author (at ICLR, NeurIPS, and AISTATS).

04/2017 - 07/2020

Heidelberg University, Germany - Master's in Physics

- Thesis: Nonlinear Independent Component Analysis and Invertible Neural Networks (1.0)
- Research presented as a spotlight talk (top 15%) at ICLR 2020.

02/2013 - 02/2016

University of Auckland, New Zealand - Bachelor's in Physics and Mathematics

Awarded "Best in Class" in five courses.

Research Experience

Free-Form Flows

- Designed a novel generative model for scientific data, especially on manifolds.
- Outcome: Three publications at top conferences (ICLR, NeurIPS, AISTATS).

JetCLR: Contrastive Learning for Particle Jets

- Applied contrastive learning techniques to data from the Large Hadron Collider.
- Outcome: Published in SciPost Physics.

General Incompressible-flow Networks (GIN)

- Designed a specialized normalizing flow for disentanglement.
- Outcome: Published at ICLR 2020 (spotlight presentation).

Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: Python, C/C++.
- Machine Learning Frameworks: PyTorch, TensorFlow.
- Tools and Libraries: NumPy, SciPy, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Pandas.
- Specialized Knowledge: Generative models, normalizing flows, contrastive learning, representation learning, Riemannian geometry.
- Mathematics & Statistics: Linear algebra, probability, optimization, differential geometry.
- Other Tools: Git, Jupyter Notebooks, LaTeX.
- Languages: English (native speaker); German (B2).

First-Author Publications

Further publications can be found on Google Scholar page: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=894uGm4AAAAJ

- Learning Distances from Data with Normalizing Flows and Score Matching, ICML 2025.
- Free-Form Flows: Make Any Architecture a Normalizing Flow, AISTATS 2024.
- Lifting Architectural Constraints of Injective Flows, ICLR 2024.
- Learning Distributions on Manifolds with Free-Form Flows, **NeurIPS 2024**.
- Disentanglement by nonlinear ICA with general incompressible-flow networks (GIN), ICLR
 2020.

Total citations: 470.