

# Simao Eduardo

**Graduate PhD in Machine Learning (ML)** from **University of Edinburgh (School of Informatics)**. **Research:** ML for Data Cleaning (Outlier Detection, Data Repair). **Interests:** Generative Models, Bayesian Inference, Deep Learning, Robust ML / Statistics. **Previous work:** Optimization, Image & Signal Processing.

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## EXPERIENCE

### ML Research Intern – Hazy, UK (*Remote in Portugal*)

October 2022 - February 2023

**Machine Learning engineering tasks, mostly on data preprocessing pipeline of the product.** **Skills:** Python; Pandas; Numpy; Scikit-Learn; PyTorch. **ML theory:** Generative Models; Differential-Privacy; Metrics. **Tools:** pytest (testing); CircleCI (continuous integration); Git / GitHub. **References:** Georgi Ganey (Head of ML Research), Carl Tishler (HR).

### PhD Student Researcher – University of Edinburgh, UK

October 2016 - March 2023

**School of Informatics, at IANC.** PhD Thesis: ‘Data Cleaning with Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)’. **Machine Learning knowledge:** Generative Models (e.g. VAEs, GANs, etc), Bayesian Inference, Deep Learning, Outlier Detection, Data Repair & Imputation. **Skills:** Python, SQL, Java, PyTorch, Scipy, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Git. **References:** Charles Sutton (PhD Supervisor).

### Tutor / Marker – University of Edinburgh, UK

October 2016 - December 2018

**School of Informatics.** Taught postgraduate courses: tutorials & labs. Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition, Machine Learning Practical (Deep Learning), Extreme Computing (MapReduce, HDFS). **Skills:** Python, Java.

### Research Assistant Fellow – Instituto de Telecomunicações at Instituto Superior Tecnico (IST), Lisbon PT

December 2014 - August 2015

**Researched Proximal Algorithms (Optimization) for Inverse Problems in Imaging: Segmentation and Deblurring in Super-Resolution Images.** Image Processing tasks. **Skills:** MATLAB, Latex. **References:** Mario Figueiredo (Supervisor, Professor at IST).

### Junior GNSS Software Engineer, GMV Innovating Solutions, Lisbon PT

May 2013 - May 2014

Developed GNSS receiver simulator for assessing robust carrier phase techniques (Digital Signal Processing, DSP) for the European Space Agency. Integrated novel DSP algorithms and statistical methods for time-series data. Analysis and reporting. **Skills:** MATLAB, C, MS Word. **References:** Teresa Ferreira (Manager, was Senior GNSS Engineer).

## SKILLS / KNOWLEDGE

**Programming:** Python, SQL, MATLAB, C, Java, Bash.

**Framework:** PyTorch, Scipy, Numpy, Git, Pandas, SQLite, Tensorflow (basic), Scikit-Learn, Jupyter Notebook, AWS, Matplotlib, Seaborn.

**Math:** Machine Learning, Optimization, Signal Processing, Time-Series (Kalman Filters, Autoregressive models), Bayesian Inference (MCMC, Variational Inference), Deep Learning, Generative Models (VAEs, GANs), Robust ML, Outlier Detection, NLP (basic), Decision Trees, Random Forests, Clustering, Classification, Regression.

## AWARDS

EPSRC CDT Scholarship, funding 2015-2019, EP/L106427/1

Research Assistant Fellowship, PACONVEX project, 2014-2015

Erasmus Scholarship, MSc Thesis at Aalborg University, 2011-2012

## EDUCATION

### **MSc(R) Data Science (Distinction), University of Edinburgh**

September 2015 - September 2016

Thesis: 'Data Cleaning in Tabular Datasets: Error Detection and Robust Rule Estimation', Supervisors: Charles Sutton

### **MSc Electrical and Computer Engineering (A- top 7%; 17/20), Instituto Superior Tecnico, University of Lisbon**

September 2010 - January 2013

Thesis: 'Cell load balancing in heterogeneous scenarios: A 3GPP LTE case study' at *University of Aalborg*, Supervisors: Antonio Rodrigues (IST), Alben Mihovska (University of Aalborg)

### **BSc Electrical and Computer Engineering (A- top 6%; 16/20), Instituto Superior Tecnico, University of Lisbon**

September 2007 - August 2010

## REFERENCES

Dr. Charles Sutton - [charlessutton@google.com](mailto:charlessutton@google.com) / [csutton@inf.ed.ac.uk](mailto:csutton@inf.ed.ac.uk)

Georgi Ganev - [georgi@hazy.com](mailto:georgi@hazy.com)

Carl Tishler - [carl@hazy.com](mailto:carl@hazy.com)

Prof. Mario Figueiredo - [mtf@lx.it.pt](mailto:mtf@lx.it.pt)

Teresa Ferreira - [teresa.ferreira@gmv.com](mailto:teresa.ferreira@gmv.com)

## PUBLICATIONS / REPORTS

### **Repairing Systematic Outliers by Learning Clean Subspaces in VAEs - preprint (arXiv)**

2022

Simao Eduardo, Kai Xu, Alfredo Nazabal, Charles Sutton  
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2207.08050.pdf>

### **Robust Variational Autoencoders for Outlier Detection and Repair of Mixed-Type Data - AISTATS 2020**

v1: 2019, v2: 2020

Simao Eduardo, Alfredo Nazabal, Chris Williams, Charles Sutton  
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1907.06671.pdf>

**Data Cleaning using Probabilistic Models of Integrity Constraints** - *NIPS 2016 Workshop on Artificial Intelligence for Data Science (AI4DataSci 2016)*

2016

Simao Eduardo, Charles Sutton

[http://workshops.inf.ed.ac.uk/nips2016-ai4datasci/papers/NIPS2016-AI4DataSci\\_paper\\_12.pdf](http://workshops.inf.ed.ac.uk/nips2016-ai4datasci/papers/NIPS2016-AI4DataSci_paper_12.pdf)

**Proximal Algorithms in Inverse Imaging Problems: First and Second-Order Splitting** - *Technical Report*

2015

Simao Eduardo; Supervised by: Mario Figueiredo; JM Bioucas-Dias

[https://sfme.github.io/TechReport\\_Proximal\\_Algos\\_2015\\_IST.pdf](https://sfme.github.io/TechReport_Proximal_Algos_2015_IST.pdf)

**Cell load balancing in heterogeneous scenarios: A 3GPP LTE case study** - *Wireless VITAE 2013, IEEE*

2013

Simao Eduardo, Antonio Rodrigues, Alben Mihovska, Neeli R. Prasad

<https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/6617063?arnumber=6617063>