



Samuel Davenport

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Born

24/03/1994

- 2021-Present **University of California San Diego - Postdoctoral research fellow**
Working with Professor Armin Schwartzman developing theory to analyse high-dimensional data with applications in brain imaging.
- 2021 **University of Toulouse - Postdoctoral research fellow**
Worked with Professors Pierre Neuvial and Bertrand Thirion on post-hoc selection in multidimensional linear models with applications to brain imaging and transcriptomics.
- 2020-2021 **University of Oxford - Postdoctoral research fellow**
Worked with Professor Thomas E. Nichols on statistical inference using Random Field Theory.

Education

- 2016-2020 **University of Oxford - DPhil in Statistics on the OxWaSP program**
Supervised by Professors Thomas E. Nichols and Chris Holmes. During the PhD I worked on developing statistical methods for image analysis with applications in Neuroimaging, Astrophysics and beyond. Specializing in Random Field Theory, Multiple Testing and Selective Inference.
- 2012-2016 **University of Cambridge - BA and Masters in Mathematics**
Distinction, coming 20th in the year out of 240 students and 1st in my college. Thesis on Network Change-point Detection in fMRI data.
- 2010-2012 **IB (International Baccalaureate) Diploma: 43/45 points**
Higher Level Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry all 7 (highest mark).

Research Interests



Research Visits

- 10/19-10/19 **KAUST - King Abdul Salman University of Science and Technology**
I went to Saudi Arabia to visit Professor Hernando Ombao and give a talk on clustersize inference using Random Field Theory.
- 07/19-08/19 **Technion - Israel Institute of Technology**
I visited Dr. David Azriel in Haifa, Israel to work on convolution random fields and peak detection with Dr. Fabian Telschow and Professor Armin Schwartzman.
- 01/19-03/19 **University of California San Diego**
I spent 2 months working with Professor Armin Schwarzman at UCSD. We worked on developing confidence regions for the locations of peaks in a random field.

Internships

- 07/16-08/16 **Mercedes and the University of Cambridge**
I worked with the Mercedes Racing Team fitting mixed effects models to help understand tyre degradation.
- 06/15-07/15 **STATSLAB - Department of Statistics at the University of Cambridge**
I worked with Professor Chris Rogers on a project that involved analyzing the distribution of financial time series and backtesting statistical trading strategies.
- 06/14-08/14 **STATSLAB - Department of Statistics at the University of Cambridge**
I worked with Professor Nathanael Berestycki on analysis of the adjacent transposition shuffle.

Publications

Samuel Davenport and Fabian JE Telschow. On the finiteness of the second moment of the number of critical points of Gaussian random fields, 2022. In submission.

Fabian Telschow, **Samuel Davenport** and Armin Schwartzman. Functional delta residuals and applications to functional effect sizes, JMVA, 2022 - to appear.

Samuel Davenport and Thomas E. Nichols. The expected behaviour of random fields in high dimensions: contradictions in the results of Bansal and Peterson (2018), Magnetic Resonance Imaging, 2021.

Samuel Davenport and Thomas E. Nichols. Selective peak inference: Unbiased estimation of raw and standardized effect size at local maxima, NeuroImage, 2020.

Reviewing

Neuroimage, Journal of Computational and Graphical Statistics and Frontiers in Neuroscience

I have been a reviewer for these journals and in this capacity have reviewed a number of articles on Random Field Theory and Multiple Testing.

Acknowledged in

Bowring et al 2019, Afyouni et al 2019, Teleschow and Schwartzman 2019, Sommerfield et al 2018

Awards

- 2016 **King's College Cambridge - Part III Mathematics Prize**
- 2011 **Silver Medal - British Mathematics Olympiad**
Came 29th out of around 1100 participants.

Other Interests

I dance competitively (Lindy Hop, Acrobatic Rock n Roll, Salsa and others) and play squash. I also enjoy cooking and baking.