

Steffen Wedig

Academic Education

- 2024–2025 **MPhil Scientific Computing**, *Churchill College, University of Cambridge*
Focus on atomistic simulation. Lectures on high-performance computing, electronic structure calculation, and atomistic modelling of materials.
- 2022–2024 **MSc. Materials Science & Engineering**, *Technical University Munich, Grade 1.3*
Elective focus "Uncertainty Quantification and Mathematical Modeling". Lectures included probability theory, multiscale modeling, and molecular dynamics.
- 2019–2022 **BSc. Chemical Engineering**, *Technical University Munich, Grade 1.8*
Focus on heterogeneous catalysis and industrial process engineering.
- 2013–2019 **Abitur**, *Privates Internatsgymnasium Schloss Torgelow, Grade 1.0*
German high-school diploma, top of class.
- 2016–2017 **Indian Springs School, Birmingham, Alabama, USA**
Junior year at a US high-school

Research Projects

- Apr 2024 – **Prior Potentials for Stable Molecular Dynamics Simulations with Machine Learning Force Fields**, *Master's Thesis at the Chair for Multiscale Modeling of Fluid Materials, Grade 1.0*
Sep 2024
Developed Δ -Learning methods to use stable empirical force fields for top-down training of ML potentials on experimental observables. Extended functionality of in-house library for training ML-potentials. Supervised by Prof. Julija Zavadlav.
- Feb 2024 – **Active Learning of Equivariant Graph Neural Network Potentials for Metal-Organic Frameworks**, *Research Internship at the Chair for Simulation of Nanosystems for Energy Conversion*
Apr 2024
Implemented active learning workflow, including metadynamics in PLUMED, DFT calculations in CP2K, and ML training to obtain NequIP potentials for simulation of metal-organic frameworks. Supervised by Prof. Alessio Gagliardi.
- Aug 2023 – **Internship at Spaceship EAC**, *European Space Agency (ESA), Cologne*
Jan 2024
Initiated project developing experimental 3D-printer for lunar additive manufacturing. Responsible for mechanical design, simulation of the sintering process, development of printer control software, and manufacturing/assembly. Supervised by Dr. Aidan Cowley.
- Apr 2022 – **Application of Nickel-containing Inks in the Binder Jet 3D-Printing of Ni/Al₂O₃ Catalysts for CO₂ Methanation"**, *Bachelor's Thesis at the Chair of Technical Chemistry, Grade 1.0*
Sep 2022
Developed 3D-printing manufacturing process of alumina supported nickel catalysts for CO₂-reduction. Laboratory work contained a wide range of mechanical, physical, and chemical characterization. Supervised by Prof. Kai-Olaf Hinrichsen.

Scholarships and Prizes

- 2019-2025 **German Academic Scholarship Foundation**
Supported Bachelor's, Master's Studies at Technical University of Munich, Supported MPhil at University of Cambridge with additional "Study-Abroad" program.
- 2013-2019 **Foundation Begabt**
Supported high school education at boarding school.
- 2016-2017 **Foundation ASSIST**
Scholarship for attending Indian Springs School, Alabama, US.
- 2011 **History Competition of the German Federal President**
Research report on the Contergan scandal, 1st prize nationwide, 2000€ award.
Titled "Contergan - Tragedy? Catastrophe? Scandal?"

Extracurricular Activity

- 2021 – 2023 **Scientific Workgroup for Rocketry and Spaceflight (WARR)**
Project REBELS. Student group working on moon rover for additive manufacturing.
Team Lead Experimental: Planning and conducting test campaign.
Payload Software: Developing embedded software for sensors/actuators on payload.
- 2022 – 2023 **TUM: Junge Akademie**
Team CheckMate: 20-month research project to investigate Fake News consumption and recognition in high-school students.
- 2018 – 2023 **Climate-Initiative One for the Climate e.V**
Project for alleviation of poverty and mitigation of climate change impacts for families in Rwanda through the use of renewable energy systems.
Member Digital Workgroup, developing a platform connecting cooperative members globally.

Skills

- Software Development Python, C++, Matlab. Git, SLURM. Shell-scripting. Application Areas: Scientific Computing, Embedded+ Robotics, Numerical Methods, Data Analysis
- Machine Learning ML projects in PyTorch and JAX. Mostly focused on methods for Geometric Deep Learning.
- Simulation Molecular Dynamics in GROMACS, LAMMPS, JAX MD. Metadynamics Simulations with PLUMED. Machine Learning Force Fields (NequIP). DFT calculations in CP2K.
- Laboratory Solid-State Synthesis, Catalyst Preparation and Characterization, Analytical Chemistry Methods.

Languages

- German Mother tongue
- English C2

Publications

- [1] Hanh My Bui, Tim Kratky, Insu Lee, Rachit Khare, Max Hiller, Steffen Wedig, Sebastian Günther, and Olaf Hinrichsen. In situ impregnated Ni/Al₂O₃ catalysts prepared by binder jet 3d printing using nickel nitrate-containing ink. *Catalysis Communications*, 182:106738, 2023.