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#### EDUCATION

- 2018 2022 D.Phil. Computer Science, University of Oxford
   "Category Theory for Quantum Natural Language Processing" [arXiv]
   Supervisors: Prof. Bob Coecke and Dr. Dan Marsden
   Examiners: Prof. Sam Staton (internal) and Prof. Dr. Michael Moortgat (Utrecht University)
   Defended on: May 27th, 2022.
- 2016 2018 **M.Sc. Mathematics & Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*, Distinction "Categorical Compositional Distributional Questions, Answers & Discourse Analysis" [pdf] *Supervisor:* Prof. Bob Coecke
- 2012 2015 **B.Sc. Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*, First-Class Honours "Equilibrium Checking in Reactive Modules Games" [pdf] Supervisors: Prof. Michael Wooldridge and Dr. Julian Gutierrez
  - 2012 **Option Internationale du Baccalauréat**, *British section, Lycée International de Saint-Germain-en-Laye*, série scientifique, option mathématiques, mention très bien

#### **AWARDS**

- 2018 Oxford DeepMind Graduate Scholarship in Computer Science
- 2018 Wolfson Harrison UK Research Council Quantum Foundation Scholarship
- 2013 New College Academic Scholarship

#### **TEACHING**

- 2019 Quantum Computer Science, M.Sc., University of Oxford, class tutor
- 2019 Logic & Proof, B.Sc., University of Oxford, class tutor
- 2019 Computational Complexity, B.Sc., St Anne's College, private tutor
- 2018 Computational Complexity, B.Sc., University of Oxford, class tutor
- 2018 Data Science with Python, Master 1, ESILV Paris, chargé de TD

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

- Oct 2022 **Post-doctoral researcher**, Laboratoire d'Informatique & Systèmes, Marseille Formal methods for quantum cellular automata and distributed quantum computing. Principal investigators: Prof. Giuseppe di Molfetta and Dr. Pierre Clairambault
  - 2019 Part-time scientific advisor, Cambridge Quantum Computing, Oxford Natural language processing on noisy intermediate-scale quantum hardware. Applied category theory for quantum computing and artificial intelligence.
- May–Jul 2022 **General Manager**, *Le Lab Quantique*, Paris Administration of a French nonprofit that promotes the emergence of quantum technologies.
- 2017 2018 **Data Scientist**, *IRHT (CNRS) & Teklia*, Paris

  Deep learning for the automated analysis of manuscripts from the Middle Ages.
- 2015 2016 **Machine Learning Intern**, *Tinyclues*, Paris
  Tensor factorisation on complex relational data: users, products, emails, clicks and sales.
- 2014 2015 **Data Science Intern**, *Yonderlabs*, Berlin Probabilistic graphical models for natural language processing and sentiment analysis.

#### **SOFTWARE**

DisCoPy The Python toolkit for computing with string diagrams, main developer

lambed A Python library for experimental quantum natural language processing, author

#### LANGUAGES

Human Native French, fluent English, basic German and beginner Arabic.

Machine Fluent: Python, LATEX, Markdown, HTML. Basic: Javascript, Haskell, SQL, C.

#### PUBLICATIONS

#### Preprints

- 2021 **lambeq: An Efficient High-Level Python Library for Quantum NLP** [arXiv] with D. Kartsaklis, I. Fan, R. Yeung, A. Pearson, R. Lorenz, G. de Felice, K. Meichanetzidis, S. Clark and B. Coecke.
- 2020 Foundations for near-term quantum natural language processing [arXiv] with B. Coecke, G. de Felice and K. Meichanetzidis.
- 2020 **Grammar-aware question-answering on quantum computers** [arXiv] with K. Meichanetzidis, G. de Felice and B. Coecke.

#### Conference proceedings

- Diagrammatic Differentiation for Quantum Machine Learning [arXiv]
   with R. Yeung and G. de Felice.
   18th International Conference on Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL 2021)
- 2020 Quantum natural language processing on near-term quantum computers [arXiv]

with K. Meichanetzidis, S. Gogioso, G. De Felice, N. Chiappori and B. Coecke. 17th International Conference on Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL 2020)

- 2020 DisCoPy: monoidal categories in Python [arXiv]
   with G. De Felice and B. Coecke.
   3rd annual international Applied Category Theory Conference (ACT 2020)
- 2020 Functorial language games for question answering [arXiv] with G. de Felice, E. Di Lavore and M. Román.
  3rd annual international Applied Category Theory Conference (ACT 2020)
- Functorial question answering [arXiv]
   with G. de Felice and K. Meichanetzidis.
   2nd International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2019)
- 2019 Automatic page classification in a large collection of manuscripts based on the International Image Interoperability Framework [DOI] with E. Boros, E. Rouchet, B. Abadie, D. Stutzmann and C. Kermorvant. International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition (ICDAR 2019)
- 2018 **Towards compositional distributional discourse analysis** [arXiv] with B. Coecke, G. de Felice and D. Marsden.
  Compositional Approaches for Physics, NLP, and Social Sciences (CAPNS 2018)
- 2016 Rational verification: From model checking to equilibrium checking [DOI] with M. Wooldridge, J. Gutierrez, P. Harrenstein, E. Marchioni and G. Perelli. Thirtieth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2016)
- 2015 A tool for the automated verification of Nash equilibria in concurrent games [DOI]

with J. Gutierrez and M. Wooldridge. 12th International Colloquium on Theoretical Aspects of Computing (ICTAC 2015)

#### **Conference abstracts**

#### 2022 DisCoPy for the quantum computer scientist [arXiv]

with G. de Felice and R. Yeung. 19th International Conference on Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL 2022)

#### 2022 Quantum NLP with lambeq [pdf]

with D. Kartsaklis, I. Fan, R. Yeung, T. Hoffmann, V. Kocijan, C. London, A. Pearson, R. Lorenz, G. de Felice, K. Meichanetzidis, S. Clark and B. Coecke.
5th International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT2022)

# 2021 QNLP: Compositional Models of Meaning on a Quantum Computer [pdf] with K. Meichanetzidis, R. Lorenz, A. Pearson, G. de Felice, D. Kartsaklis and B. Coecke. 4th International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2021)

### 2021 Anaphora and Ellipsis in Lambek Calculus with a Relevant Modality: Syntax and Semantics [arXiv]

with L. McPheat, G. Wijnholds, M. Sadrzadeh and A. Correia. 4th International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2021)

#### 2021 Functorial Language Models [arXiv]

with A. Koziell-Pipe.

4th International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2021)

#### 2020 Quantum natural language processing [pdf]

with K. Meichanetzidis, S. Gogioso, G. De Felice, N. Chiappori and B. Coecke. 3rd International Conference on Applied Category Theory (ACT 2020)

#### 2019 Incremental Monoidal Grammars [arXiv]

with D. Shiebler and M. Sadrzadeh.
Sixth Symposium on Compositional Structures (SYCO 6)

#### 2019 Discourse complexity in categorical compositional relational semantics [pdf]

Vector Semantics for Dialogue and Discourse (VSDD) workshop 13th International Conference on Computational Semantics (IWCS 2019)

#### Journal articles

#### 2018 Generalized relations in linguistics & cognition [DOI]

with B. Coecke, F. Genovese, M. Lewis and D. Marsden. Theoretical Computer Science, volume 752, pages 104-115

#### **Book chapters**

#### 2021 How to make qubits speak [arXiv]

with B. Coecke, G. Felice and K. Meichanetzidis. Quantum Computing in the Arts and Humanities, pages 277-297