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EDUCATION

- 2018 – 2022 **DPhil Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*.
Oxford–DeepMind Graduate & Harrison Scholarship for Quantum Foundations.
Proposal: Quantum Structures for Linguistics, Cognition and Artificial Intelligence, under the supervision of Prof. Bob Coecke and Dr. Dan Marsden. See [1, 2, 3, 5]
- 2016 – 2018 **MSc Mathematics & Foundations of Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*.
Categories, Proofs & Processes (99), Quantum Computer Science (95), Categorical Quantum Mechanics (70), Distributional Models of Meaning (82), Computational Game Theory (98).
Thesis: Categorical Compositional Distributional Questions, Answers & Discourse, supervised by Prof. Bob Coecke. This followed the publications [6] and [7].
- 2012 – 2015 **BSc Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*, (First-Class Honours).
Lambda Calculus, Computational Complexity, Learning Theory, Knowledge Representation.
Thesis: Equilibrium Checking in Reactive Modules Games, supervised by Prof. Michael Wooldridge and Dr. Julian Gutierrez. This was followed by two publications [8] and [9].

TEACHING

- 2019 **Quantum Computer Science**, *University of Oxford*, Class Tutor.
String diagrams for quantum processes, ZX-calculus, quantum foundations and algorithms.
- 2019 **Logic & Proof**, *University of Oxford*, Class Tutor.
Propositional logic, SAT and constraint satisfaction, first-order logic and unification.
- 2018 **Computational Complexity**, *University of Oxford*, Class Tutor.
Turing machines and reductions, randomisation, introduction to descriptive complexity.
- 2018 **Data Science with Python**, *ESILV Paris*, Teaching Assistant.
Feature extraction from images, clustering, classification. Methodology for model evaluation.
- 2012 – **Elementary mathematics, physics and computer science**, Private Tutor.

INDUSTRY

- 2019 – 2021 **Research Scientist – Part Time**, *Cambridge Quantum Computing*, Oxford.
Natural language processing on noisy intermediate-scale quantum (NISQ) hardware.
- 2017 – 2018 **Data Scientist**, *Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes – CNRS*, Paris.
Deep learning for the automated analysis of manuscripts from the Middle Ages, see [4].
- 2015 – 2016 **Data Scientist – R&D Intern**, *Tinyclues*, Paris.
Tensor factorisation on complex relational data: users, products, emails, clicks and sales.
- 2014 – 2015 **Data Scientist – Summer Intern**, *Yonderlabs*, Berlin.
Probabilistic graphical models (HMM and CRF) applied to natural language processing.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] K. Meichanetzidis, S. Gogioso, G. De Felice, N. Chiappori, A. Toumi, and B. Coecke. “Quantum Natural Language Processing on Near-Term Quantum Computers”. In: *Quantum Physics and Logic (QPL) 2020* (to appear). arXiv: 2005.04147.
- [2] G. de Felice, E. Di Lavore, M. Román, and A. Toumi. “Functorial Language Games for Question Answering”. In: *Electronic Proceedings in Theoretical Computer Science* 333 (Feb. 2021), pp. 311–321. ISSN: 2075-2180. DOI: 10.4204/EPTCS.333.21.
- [3] G. de Felice, A. Toumi, and B. Coecke. “DisCoPy: Monoidal Categories in Python”. In: *Electronic Proceedings in Theoretical Computer Science* 333 (Feb. 2021), pp. 183–197. ISSN: 2075-2180. DOI: 10.4204/EPTCS.333.13.
- [4] E. Boros, A. Toumi, E. Rouchet, B. Abadie, D. Stutzmann, and C. Kermorvant. “Automatic Page Classification in a Large Collection of Manuscripts Based on the International Image Interoperability Framework”. In: *International Conference on Document Analysis and Recognition*. 2019. DOI: 10.1109/ICDAR.2019.00126.
- [5] G. de Felice, K. Meichanetzidis, and A. Toumi. “Functorial Question Answering”. In: *Proceedings Applied Category Theory 2019, ACT 2019, University of Oxford, UK, 15-19 July 2019*. EPTCS. 2019. DOI: 10.4204/EPTCS.323.6.
- [6] B. Coecke, G. de Felice, D. Marsden, and A. Toumi. “Towards Compositional Distributional Discourse Analysis”. In: *Electronic Proceedings in Theoretical Computer Science* 283 (Nov. 2018), pp. 1–12. ISSN: 2075-2180. DOI: 10.4204/EPTCS.283.1.
- [7] B. Coecke, F. Genovese, M. Lewis, D. Marsden, and A. Toumi. “Generalized Relations in Linguistics & Cognition”. In: *Theoretical Computer Science* (2018). ISSN: 0304-3975. DOI: 10.1016/j.tcs.2018.03.008.
- [8] M. Wooldridge, J. Gutierrez, P. Harrenstein, E. Marchioni, G. Perelli, and A. Toumi. “Rational Verification: From Model Checking to Equilibrium Checking”. In: *Proceedings of the Thirtieth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*. 2016. DOI: 10.1016/j.artint.2017.04.003.
- [9] A. Toumi, J. Gutierrez, and M. Wooldridge. “A Tool for the Automated Verification of Nash Equilibria in Concurrent Games”. In: *Theoretical Aspects of Computing - ICTAC 2015 - 12th International Colloquium Cali, Colombia, October 29-31, 2015, Proceedings*. 2015, pp. 583–594. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-25150-9_34.

SOFTWARE

I’m the developer of DisCoPy [3], the Python library for computing with monoidal categories.

LANGUAGES

Human Fluent in English and French. Basic German and beginner Arabic.
Machine Advanced Python. Working knowledge of Haskell, Scala, C, SQL.