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SENIOR MACHINE LEARNING ENGINEER · RESEARCH SCIENTIST · PHD CANDIDATE

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Summary

Open-source advocate motivated by accelerating R&D through developing solutions people actually use. 6+ years experience using machine learning frameworks like TensorFlow. 5+ years experience in Python and 3+ years experience C++ software development. Strong theoretical background and practical repertoire in topics such as 3D computer vision, deep learning, real-time video recognition, natural language processing, and high-performance computing. Established researcher with 18 published research articles and 2 open annotated image dataset contributions.

Education

Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)

PHD IN MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY - ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR BREAST CANCER PROGNOSTICATION

Trondheim, Norway

Oct. 2019 - Oct. 2023

- Submitting thesis Apr. 2024.
- Published 3 papers as part of thesis. 16 journal publications, 1 conference paper, and 1 book chapter in thesis period.

UiT: The Arctic University Norway

MSC IN APPLIED PHYSICS AND MATHEMATICS - SPECIALIZATION IN MACHINE LEARNING & STATISTICS

Tromsø, Norway

Aug. 2014 - Jun. 2019

- Industry project together with SINTEF on domain agnostic AI solutions for cancer diagnostics.

Skills

ML/DL TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch, Lightning, OpenAI, Vanna, scikit-learn, TensorFlow Lite, TensorRT, OpenVINO, Stable Baseline3

Tools Git, GitHub Actions, Docker, Hugging Face Spaces, MS Azure, Gradio, Streamlit, Flask, Qt5, Flutter, PyInstaller, CMake, NSIS

Programming Python, C++, Dart, R

Languages Norwegian (Native), English (Fluent), French (basic)

Experience

Sopra Steria, Applications

SENIOR MACHINE LEARNING ENGINEER

Trondheim, Norway

Oct. 2023 - Present

- Data scientist in industry project with Equinor developing a multimodal chatbot using Azure OpenAI, Flask, and Streamlit.
- Senior software developer in research project with the UNICAN team at NTNU to develop no-code AI solutions for digital pathology.
- Developed web applications for 2 medical image analysis solutions and 2 chatbots using Gradio/Streamlit and Hugging Face Spaces ([demos](#)).

SINTEF, Health Research

RESEARCH SCIENTIST

Trondheim, Norway

May 2022 - Nov. 2023

- Key contributor to the FastPathology open software project in C++ using Qt5 and FAST ([code](#)).
- DevOps responsible for open-source clinical software, Raidionics, enabling automatic segmentation of pre- and postoperative brain tumors and generation of standardized clinical report ([website](#), [code](#)).
- Developed open software plugin enabling cloud-based deployment of AI-solutions for digital pathology ([code](#)).
- Developed 4 applications demonstrating AI-based medical 3D image segmentation, using Gradio and hosted on Hugging Face Spaces ([demos](#)).
- Consulted on numerous research projects and grant applications, either through tutoring colleagues, implementing components in algorithm or deployment design, statistical analysis in assessment of trained models, or development of accessible technologies.
- Developed open python package to enable gradient accumulation in TensorFlow 2 ([code](#)).
- Codeveloped a python package to enable rapid stain normalization for histopathological images, supporting PyTorch, TF, and NumPy ([code](#)).

SINTEF, Health Research

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Trondheim, Norway

Jan. 2019 - May 2022

- Lead SINTEF-funded project to enable code-free development and deployment of deep segmentation models for computational pathology ([paper](#)) - trained pathologist with no background in programming or deep learning to train and deploy his own convolutional neural networks for semantic segmentation of gigapixel histopathological images.
- Contributed to several funding applications on various topics with focus on software as a medical device and use of AI for medical applications. Contributed strongly to the AI, software, and statistics work packages, of which multiple achieved funding from the Norwegian Research Council.
- Performed statistical analysis and aided in method development and consulted in research activities, mainly focused on machine learning and computer aided designs, such as: 1) Supervised segmentation of brain tumors in MRIs - 5 separate papers (ex: [paper](#)), 3) Unsupervised detection of adverse events from free-text ([paper](#)), & 4) Responsible for statistical analysis for nanobubble-guided cancer treatment study ([paper](#)).

SINTEF, Health Research

SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Trondheim, Norway

Jun. 2018 - Aug. 2018

- Implemented algorithms and trained AI models for semantic segmentation of medical volumetric data (CT) using TensorFlow.

Teaching

NTNU/SINTEF

SUPERVISOR

Trondheim, Norway

Jan. 2020 - Present

- Main supervisor of 3 and co-supervisor of 2 Master's students with background in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering from NTNU.
- Technical contributor to 5 PhD Candidate projects at ISB/IKOM/IDI at NTNU.

UiT: The Arctic University of Tromsø

STUDENT TEACHING ASSISTANT

Tromsø, Norway

Aug. 2017 - Nov. 2018

- Held programming workshops in Python/MATLAB, each fall 2017 and 2018 for the courses: FYS-1001 Mechanics and FYS-2006 Signal Processing.

Awards

- 2022 **Best poster award**, Central Norway Regional Health Authority Stjørdal, Norway
(Virtual)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLItnZtlay0&t=25546s>

Certificates

- 2024 **Generative AI with Large Language Models**, DeepLearning.AI Online Exam
<https://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/verify/GTFN2BBZC2SK>
- 2024 **Microsoft Certified: Azure Data Fundamentals**, Microsoft Online Exam
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/users/andreped/credentials/35A98395F0A43745>
- 2023 **Generative AI For Everyone**, DeepLearning.AI Online Exam
<https://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/verify/SQGX4CAYVRYP>
- 2023 **TensorFlow Developer Certificate**, Google Online Exam
<https://www.credential.net/24a998b0-da8e-4c9e-aaf7-23cd2bfd06b3>
- 2023 **Microsoft Certified: Azure AI Fundamentals**, Microsoft Online Exam
<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-gb/users/andreped/credentials/cce910202116c269>

Preprints

Immunohistochemistry guided segmentation of benign epithelial cells, in situ lesions, and invasive epithelial cells in breast cancer slides ([paper](#), [code](#)) arXiv
M Høibø, A Pedersen, V G Dale, ..., M Valla Nov. 2023

AeroPath: An airway segmentation benchmark dataset with challenging pathology ([paper](#), [code](#), [demo](#)) arXiv
K-H Støverud, D Bouget, A Pedersen, ..., E F Hofstad Nov. 2023

Book Chapters

Artificial Intelligence in Studies of Malignant Tumours - Book: Biomarkers of the Tumor Microenvironment: Basic Studies and Practical Applications Springer Book Chapter
LEAD WRITER Jan. 2020 - Jan. 2021

- Contributed book chapter in now published book ([paper](#)).

Publications

Growth dynamics of untreated meningiomas ([paper](#), [code](#)) Neuro-Oncology Advances
P O Sveino, K J Wågø, A Pedersen, ..., & O Solheim Des. 2023

Segmentation of glioblastomas in early post-operative multi-modal MRI with deep neural networks ([paper](#), [code](#)) Scientific Reports
R H Helland, A Ferles, A Pedersen, ..., & D Bouget Nov. 2023

Raidionics: an open software for pre- and postoperative central nervous system tumor segmentation and standardized reporting ([paper](#), [code](#)) Scientific Reports
D BOUGET, ..., A PEDERSEN, O SOLHEIM, & I REINERTSEN Sept. 2023

Learning deep abdominal CT registration through adaptive loss weighting and synthetic data generation ([paper](#), [demo](#), [code](#)) PLOS ONE
J Pérez De Frutos, A Pedersen, E Pelanis, ..., & F Lindseth Feb. 2023

H2G-Net: A multi-resolution refinement approach for segmentation of breast cancer region in gigapixel histopathological images ([paper](#), [code](#), [demo](#)) Frontiers in Medicine
A Pedersen, E Smistad, T V Rise, ..., & M Valla Sep. 2022

Teacher-student approach for lung tumor segmentation from mixed-supervised datasets ([paper](#), [code](#), [demo](#)) PLOS ONE
V Fredriksen, S O M Svele, A Pedersen, ..., & F Lindseth Apr. 2022

Mediastinal lymph nodes segmentation using 3D convolutional neural network ensembles and anatomical priors guiding ([paper](#), [code](#)) CMBBE
D Bouget, A Pedersen, J Vanel, H O Leira, & T Langø Mar. 2022

Preoperative Brain Tumor Imaging: Models and Software for Segmentation and Standardized Reporting ([paper](#), [code](#)) Frontiers in Neurology
D Bouget, A Pedersen, A S Jakola, ..., & I Reinertsen Jan. 2022

Code-Free Development and Deployment of Deep Segmentation Models for Digital Pathology ([paper](#), [code](#)) Frontiers in Medicine
H S Pettersen, I Belevich, E S Røyset, ..., & A Pedersen Jan. 2022

Preliminary Processing and Analysis of an Adverse Event Dataset for Detecting Sepsis-Related Events ([paper](#), [code](#)) IEEE BIBM 2021
M Yan, L H Høvik, A Pedersen, ..., & Ø Nytrø Des. 2021

Meningioma segmentation in T1-weighted MRI leveraging global context and attention mechanisms ([paper](#), [code](#)) Frontiers in Radiology
D Bouget, A Pedersen, S A M Hosainey, ..., & I Reinertsen Sep. 2021

Glioblastoma Surgery Imaging-Reporting and Data System: Validation and Performance of the Automated Segmentation Task ([paper](#), [code](#)) Cancers
D Bouget, R Eijgelaar, A Pedersen, ..., & P C De Witt Hamer Sep. 2021

Glioblastoma Surgery Imaging—Reporting and Data System: Standardized Reporting of Tumor Volume, Location, and Resectability Based on Automated Segmentations ([paper](#), [code](#)) Cancers
I Kommers, D Bouget, A Pedersen, ..., & P C De Witt Hamer Jun. 2021

FastPathology: An open-source platform for deep learning-based research and decision support in digital pathology ([paper](#), [code](#)) IEEE Access
A Pedersen, M Valla, A M Bofin, ..., & E Smistad May 2021

Fast meningioma segmentation in T1-weighted MRI volumes using a lightweight 3D deep learning architecture ([paper](#), [code](#)) Journal of Medical Imaging
D Bouget, A Pedersen, S A M Hosainey, O Solheim, & I Reinertsen Mar. 2021

Sonopermeation Enhances Uptake and Therapeutic Effect of Free and Encapsulated Cabazitaxel ([paper](#), [code](#)) Ultrasound in Medicine & Biology
S Snipstad, Ý Mørch, E Sulheim, A Åslund, A Pedersen, ..., & S Berg Feb. 2021

High performance neural network inference, streaming, and visualization of medical images using FAST ([paper](#), [code](#)) IEEE Access
E Smistad, A Østvik, & A Pedersen Des. 2019