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## **STUDIES**

## **PhD in Computer Science**

Fall 2021 - (Ongoing)

Mila and Intelligence and Data Institute (IID), Laval University, Quebec

Adversarial Robustness, Distribution Shifts and Uncertainty of Deep Learning Models

Check out my work at Jonas Ngnawé - Google Scholar

<u>Highlight</u>: <u>Detecting Brittle Decisions for Free: Leveraging Margin Consistency in Deep Robust</u>

**Classifiers** Accepted at NeurIPS 2024

# **Master in Machine Learning**

2018 - 2019

AIMS African Master's of Machine Intelligence, Kigali, Rwanda

Taught by international experts, a Master's program funded by Facebook and Google,

<u>Link Complete list of courses</u> (Fundamentals, Vision, NLP etc.)

Project: Scalable Inference with Distributed Gaussian Processes using the Wasserstein Barycenter.

## **Master in Mathematical Sciences**

2016 - 2017

African Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Limbe, Cameroon

<u>Project</u>: k-Clustering Problem-Application to a Field Technician Allocation Optimization Problem.

## **Engineer's Degree in Computer Science**

2011 - 2016

Ecole Polytechnique Yaoundé, Cameroon

Other: Machine Learning Summer School (MLSS), London 2019

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# **Google AI resident**

Oct 2019 - Sep 2021

Google Brain Team Accra, Ghana

- Development of robust methods for deep neural networks
- Compression of deep neural networks by quantization and pruning

Tools, Languages and Methods: Python/Tensorflow 2.0, Google Cloud Platform (GCP)

<u>Publication</u>: <u>Robustmix</u>: <u>Improving Robustness by Regularizing the Frequency Bias of Deep Networks.</u> Accepted at NeurIPS 2022 Workshop on Distribution Shifts: Connecting Methods and Applications.

## **Software Developer Engineer Internship**

Feb - August 2016

Bolloré Africa Logistics, Port of Douala, Cameroon

- Automation and Analysis of the Review of Access Rights to the Information System
- Detection of abnormal access rights

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> Talend Open Studio, Qlikview, C#, ASP.Net, Microsoft SQL Server, Visual Studio, UML/Merise, BPMN 2.0, PMI Methodology

## **Computer engineer**

Jan - Aug 2018

GroupOne Holding Company, Limbe, Cameroun

- Website development
- Fuel consumption prediction projects
- Studies for the creation of a startup incubator (Business plan)
- Industrial Maintenance (Refinery) of the Honeywell Experion System
- IT Support

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> HTML5/CSS3/JavaScript/JQuery/JQueryUI/Ajax/PHP, MySQL, Méthodologie PMI, Business Model Canvas

## **Freelance Software Developer**

2017-2018

- Digitization of administrative procedures for various ministries in Cameroon,
- Development and maintenance of WordPress plugins (WooCommerce)

<u>Tools, Languages and Methods:</u> Electronic Document Management (EDM)/Electronic Archiving(<u>MARCH RM</u>), PHP/Woocommerce, MySQL Workbench, Microsoft Access, Git/Gitlab/Github, Java, Netbeans, SCRUM

## **ADDITIONAL SKILLS**

Data Science/AI Pytorch, S

Pytorch, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, Weight&Biases, Matlab, Octave,

Docker etc.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

**Host at KmerAl Talks** 

Keynote speaker at **Deep Learning IndabaX-Cameroon**: Robustness in Al.

Dec. 27, 2022

**Organizing committee member of** <u>Interpolate workshop @Neurips2022</u>: First Workshop on Interpolation Regularizers and Beyond.

Founding member of Kmer-AI, an association for the promotion and vulgarization of AI and Machine Learning in Cameroon.

Since 2020

**Co-organizer of a Machine Learning Projects Competition (MLPC)** 

Since 2020

Polytechnique Yaoundé

Co-organizer of a two (02) week introductory course in Machine Learning

September 2019

Polytechnique Yaoundé

Co-organizer of the first Deep Learning IndabaX Rwanda, a conference on Machine Learning and AI

April 2019, Kigali, Rwanda

Reviews: Algorithmic Fairness through the Lens of Causality and Privacy (2022), Montreal Al Symposium, Black in Al Workshop @NeurIPS, Deep Learning Indaba (2022, 2023, 2024)