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EDUCATION

- University of Helsinki** 2023
Doctor of Philosophy
PhD thesis title: Differentially private and distributed Bayesian learning
- University of Helsinki** 2016
MSc Computational statistics
Minor in Mathematics & Computer science
- University of Helsinki** 2015
BSc Statistics
Minor in Mathematics & Computer science
- University of Helsinki** 2013
MA Folklore studies
Minor in Sociology & Finnish literature studies

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Telefónica Research** 2023 -
Associate researcher *Barcelona, Spain*
- Trustworthy machine learning (with differential privacy, algorithmic fairness, adversarial robustness) and learning from distributed data (federated learning).
- University of Helsinki** 2017 - 2023
Doctoral candidate *Helsinki, Finland*
- Privacy-preserving (differentially private) machine learning, distributed learning (federated learning), and Bayesian learning.
- University of Helsinki** June 2016-2017
Research assistant *Helsinki, Finland*
- Probabilistic graphical models and differential privacy.
- Tutkimustoimisto Kide Oy** January-December 2015
Data analyst *Helsinki, Finland*
- Statistical analysis and visualisation.
- IFO Institute** February-March 2014
Undergraduate intern *Munich, Germany*
- Assisting in statistical research by running statistical analysis and doing visualisations.

PUBLICATIONS

M. A. Heikkilä, M. Ashman, S. Swaroop, R. E. Turner & A. Honkela: *Differentially private partitioned variational inference*. In TMLR, 2023.

A. Koskela, **M. A. Heikkilä**, & A. Honkela: *Numerical accounting in the shuffle model of differential privacy*. In TMLR (Featured Certification), 2023.

M. A. Heikkilä, A. Koskela, K. Shimizu, S. Kaski, & A. Honkela: *Differentially private cross-silo federated learning*. On ArXiv:2007.05553, 2020.

M. A. Heikkilä, J. Jälkö, O. Dikmen & A. Honkela: *Differentially Private Markov Chain Monte Carlo*. In NeurIPS 2019 (Spotlight).

T. Niinimäki, **M. A. Heikkilä**, A. Honkela & S. Kaski: *Representation Transfer for Differentially Private Drug Sensitivity Prediction*. In ISMB 2019.

M. A. Heikkilä, E. Lagerspetz, S. Kaski, K. Shimizu, S. Tarkoma & A. Honkela: *Differentially Private Bayesian Learning on Distributed Data*. In NIPS 2017.

GRANTS

Nokia Scholarship 2017, 2020

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Statistics for Data Science Autumn 2022
Teaching Assistant (University of Helsinki)

Computational Statistics Autumn 2021 & Spring 2022
Teaching Assistant (University of Helsinki)

Computational Statistics II Autumn 2017 & 2018
Main lecturer (project course in University of Helsinki)

Bachelor student seminar Spring 2020
Supervisor (seminar in CS department, University of Helsinki)

Trustworthy Machine Learning Autumn 2020
Teaching Assistant (University of Helsinki)

SERVICE

Peer-reviewer
NeurIPS, ICML, ICLR (Highlighted reviewer), AISTATS, UAI, TMLR, JMLR

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Computer Languages Python, R, Matlab, Java

LANGUAGES

Finnish Native
English Near-native
Spanish Good
Swedish Basic