

Vilim Štih

Education

2015 >> PhD Neurosciences
Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology, LMU München, Germany,
Supervisor: Dr. Ruben Portugues

2013 – 2015 MSc Neurosciences
Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München, Germany,
Thesis supervisors: Dr. Álvaro Tejero Cantero, Prof. Dr. Andreas Herz

2010 – 2013 BSc in Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
University of Zagreb, Croatia

Projects

7. 2019 – 9. 2019 Research internship at the Center for Brains, Minds and
Machines, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, group of
Tomaso Poggio, supervised by Dr. Xavier Boix
- *developed synthetic datasets and training protocols for re-
current convolutional networks for image segmentation that
improved learning of long-range dependencies*

2017 >> Stytra - a system for online animal tracking and behavior and
the accompanying analysis package (bouter and Bouter.jl)

2015 >> microscope control software and analysis pipelines (fimpv,
VolumeRegistration.jl and Calcium.jl)

8. 2014 – 9. 2014 Research internship at Ludwig-Maximilians-University Mu-
nich, group of Professor Andreas Herz:
single-cell modelling of electrophysiology of stellate cells
- *collaborating with an experimental group, building a GUI and
employing genetic algorithms for exploring the parameter
space of different ion channel properties*

2. 2014 – 3. 2014 Research internship, Technical University of Munich,
group of Professor Jörg Conradt:
neurally-inspired optic flow estimation from event-based
datastreams
- *processing data from a neuromorphic sensor, designing and
implementing algorithms in C++; real time data visualisation*

7. 2013 – 9. 2013 Research internship at École polytechnique fédérale de Laus-
anne (EPFL), LTS4 group of Prof. Pascal Frossard
- *implementation of published dictionary learning algorithms
for sparse coding in MATLAB, testing on standard datasets*

Skills

python ●●●●●
scientific stack, QT, TensorFlow

julia ●●●●●
scientific stack, Flux

C++ ●●●○○
robotics with ROS, QT

git, continuous integration
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HTML, CSS, Javascript
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bash, Docker, SLURM
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Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator,
InDesign ●●●●●

Blender, SketchUp ●●●○○

Languages

English, German, Croatian
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Italian, French ●●○○○

Publications

K. M. Villalobos¹, **Štih, V¹**, Ahmadinejad, A¹, Sundaram, S, Dozier, J, Francl, A, Azevedo, F, Sasaki, T, and Boix, X *Do Neural Networks for Segmentation Understand Insideness?*

¹equal contribution

KP Siju, **Štih V**, Aimon S, Gjorgjieva J, Portugues R, Kadow ICG. *Valence and state-dependent population coding in dopaminergic neurons in the fly mushroom body (2020)*

Dragomir EI, **Štih V**, Portugues R. *Evidence accumulation during a sensorimotor decision task revealed by whole-brain imaging (2020)*

Štih V¹, Petrucco L¹, Kist AM, Portugues R. *Stytra: an open-source, integrated system for stimulation, tracking and closed-loop behavioral experiments (2018)*

¹equal contribution

Knogler LD, Markov DA, Dragomir EI, **Štih V**, Portugues R. *Sensorimotor representations in cerebellar granule cells in larval zebrafish are dense, spatially organized and non-temporally patterned. (2017)*

Courses

- 8. 2018 Center for Brains, Minds and Machines (MIT/Harvard)
Brains Minds and Machines Summer Course at Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole MA, USA
- 7. 2017 Redwood Center for Theoretical Neuroscience, UC Berkeley, USA
Berkeley summer course in mining and modeling of neuroscience data

Teaching

- SS 2019. & 2020 TA for Large Scale Modelling and Large Scale Data Analysis course at the Technical University of Munich
- 2012, 2013 Undergraduate TA at the University of Zagreb on six subjects, spanning electronics, instrumentation and programming

Awards and achievements

- 2014/2015 scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) in 2014/2015
- 2013 Josip Lončar award for excellence in studies (Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing, Zagreb, Croatia – 1st ranking by GPA out of ~250 students)
- 2008 – 2013 scholarship of the City of Zagreb
- 2009 and 2010 member of the Croatian representation at the International Physics Olympiad (IPhO) in Mexico and Croatia