

# Jude Mingay

AI / ML ENGINEER & STRATEGIST

Production-grade AI/ML engineer with 3+ years building end-to-end systems across Computer Vision, Edge Deployment, and Custom Deep Learning Architectures. Transformed a rule-based system into a 250 FPS ML pipeline while cutting training costs from \$2,500/mo to zero. MSc candidate in AI at the University of Freiburg.

## Experience

### Senior Machine Learning Engineer

Nov 2025 – Present

*Big Picture Software · Freelance*

- Transformed a fragile rule-based system into a sophisticated ML pipeline from scratch using custom models
- Achieved **250 FPS** inference on 720p video with L4 GPUs through TensorRT and CUDA memory optimizations
- Cut training costs from **\$2,500/mo** on A100s to **\$0** using efficient pipelines on free-tier L4 GPUs
- Migrated all models to Apache 2.0 licensing, eliminating legal risk for the project
- Drove strategic decisions on data and AI direction that expanded the project's scope and potential
- Built closed-loop annotation platform with SAM3/RF-DETR auto-labeling and noise injection
- Implemented serverless GPU training via Modal (L4/A10G/A100) with real-time cost tracking

### Machine Learning Engineer

Apr – Nov 2025

*Big Picture Software · Freelance*

- Developed custom object detection models using YOLO and RF-DETR for real-time sports analysis
- Built end-to-end pipelines from data annotation to production deployment on GCP
- Implemented RTMPose for multi-person pose estimation and RAG for coaching insights

### Software Engineer

May 2024 – Mar 2025

*MZ Automation GmbH*

- Developed libraries for IEC 60870, IEC 61850, and ICCP TASE.2 industrial protocols
- Worked across C, C++, C#, and Java in a test-driven environment; contributed to FledgePower (LF Energy)

### Junior Software Engineer

Jul 2023 – Apr 2024

*Gridcore Labs Lda*

- Developed gateway plugins for IEC 61850, ICCP TASE.2, and IEC 60870 protocol translation

### Research Assistant

Mar – Jul 2023

*Universidade do Algarve · Prof. Marco Campinho*

- Trained denoising and segmentation models for fluorescent microscopy images
- Deployed ZeroCostDL4Mic pipelines; independently built training models and analysis scripts

## Projects

### AIM — AI-Powered Football Coach [aim.io](#) *Client*

Replaced rule-based system with production ML pipeline. 250 FPS on L4 GPUs, \$0 training costs. Multi-modal: detection, pose, GNNs, time series, RAG.

RF-DETR RTMPose TensorRT GNN RAG

### AIM Annotation Suite *Internal Tool*

Closed-loop ML annotation platform. SAM3/RF-DETR auto-labeling with anti-feedback noise injection. Serverless GPU training via Modal. 5 export formats.

SAM3 RF-DETR Modal Active Learning

### FiscFox — German Tax Management [github](#) *Personal*

5 AI domains on CPU: guardrailed LLM + RAG, TabPFN expense categorization, ML forecasting, OCR receipts. 34K+ lines.

TabPFN Ollama RAG OCR FastAPI

### FledgePower *Open Source · LF Energy*

Gateway plugins for IEC 61850, TASE.2, IEC 104. Protocol translation for power grid interoperability.

### AutoML Text Classifier *Research*

Custom proxy search spaces for optimizer selection. DEHB outperformed PriorBand.

### HPO4TabPFN *Research*

Smaller, deeper models outperform larger configs. Muon dominated in TabArena.

## CONTACT

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## SKILLS

### Machine Learning

Deep Learning · PyTorch · Computer Vision · Object Detection · Segmentation · Transformers · Time Series · YOLO · RF-DETR · RAG

### MLOps & Infra

TensorRT · Triton Server · Docker · GCP · Modal · W&B · ONNX

### AutoML & Research

HPO · NAS · Meta-Learning · TabPFN · Hugging Face

### Programming

Python · Java · C/C++ · C#/NET · SQL · FastAPI · LangChain

## EDUCATION

### MSc Artificial Intelligence

*University of Freiburg*

Oct 2024 – Present

### BSc Computer Science

*Universidade do Algarve*

Sep 2020 – Jul 2023

## LANGUAGES

English *Native*

German *Native*

Portuguese *Native*