



# Michiel van der Meer

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## Education

- 2017 – 2020 **Artificial Intelligence - Master**, *Universiteit van Amsterdam*, Amsterdam, *Cum laude*.  
Graduate School of Informatics - Member of Intelligent Robotics Lab. Courses include: *Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning, Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision 1 & 2, Information Retrieval 1 & 2, Probabilistic Robotics, High Performance Computing and Big Data, Data Mining Techniques*.  
Thesis: *Incentivizing Explainable Agents: Exploiting Diagnostic Classification for Learning Task compositionality*
- 2014 – 2017 **Kunstmatige Intelligentie - Bachelor**, *Universiteit van Amsterdam*, Amsterdam.  
Undergraduate.  
Thesis: *Performance Analysis of Spiking Neural Networks on Low-Powered Hardware*
- 2008 – 2014 **VWO - Gymnasium**, *Jan van Egmond Lyceum*, Purmerend.  
Secondary education, Economics and Society profile

## Experience

- 2018–now **AI developer**, *Millennials.ai*, Amsterdam.  
In the startup Millennials.ai, I work as an AI expert for various clients. Previously, I worked at a med-tech startup with mobile keystroke data to detect tiredness and early signs of MS. At the moment, I prepare and give trainings to young data scientists on core AI techniques.
- 2017–2019 **Team Leader**, *Dutch Nao Team*, Amsterdam.  
Team Leader of the Dutch Nao Team, where in addition to participating in the robotics challenges I conduct weekly meetings with the team, make group decisions and help newcomers.  
Notable events attended:
- Techfest 2015-2016 in Bombay, India
  - RoboCup European Open 2016 in Eindhoven, Netherlands
  - RoboCup 2016 in Leipzig, Germany
  - RoHOW 2016 in Hamburg, Germany
  - RoboCup IranOpen 2017 in Tehran, Iran
  - RoboCup 2017 in Nagoya, Japan
  - RoHOW 2017 in Hamburg, Germany
  - RoboCup 2018 in Montréal, Canada
  - RoHOW 2018 in Hamburg, Germany

- 2018–2018 **Teaching Assistant**, *Universiteit van Amsterdam*, Amsterdam.  
For the course *Computer Systems* in the second year of the *Artificial Intelligence* Bachelor, I aided in teaching and grading students. The course taught students the basic about processor architectures, computer memory and the interaction between hardware and software.
- 2017–2018 **Education Committee Member**, *Study Association via*, Amsterdam.  
As a part of the education committee at my study association, I help organize workshops and events related to informatics and AI for our members.
- 2016–2018 **Student Advisor**, *Universiteit van Amsterdam*, Amsterdam.  
Providing advisory information for future students at the Universiteit van Amsterdam open days.
- 2015–2017 **Team Member**, *Dutch Nao Team*, Amsterdam.  
Team member of the Dutch Nao Team, a robotics football team that participates in tournaments, often organized by the Robocup Federation.

## Languages

Dutch Native speaker  
English Fluent

## Computer skills

Programming languages **Python, C++**, Software **Linux, PyTorch, Git**  
**Java, Matlab**  
Practised topics **Reinforcement Learning, Deep Learning, Robotics, Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision**

## Publications

M. van der Meer, M. Pirotta, and E. Bruni. Exploiting Language Instructions for Interpretable and Compositional Reinforcement Learning. *arXiv e-prints*, page arXiv:2001.04418, Jan 2020, 2001.04418.

C. Lagrand, M. van der Meer, and A. Visser. The roasted tomato challenge for a humanoid robot. In *Autonomous Robot Systems and Competitions (ICARSC), 2016 International Conference on*, pages 341–346. IEEE, 2016.

C. Lagrand, P. M. de Kok, S. Negrijn, M. van der Meer, and A. Visser. Autonomous robot soccer matches. *BNAIC2016 Proceedings*, pages 237–238, 2016.

M. van Harmelen, M. van der Meer, M. Boon, J. Gerbscheid, and A. Visser. Hunting a robot controlled by an artificial brain. In *Proceedings of the 27th Belgian-Netherlands Conference on Artificial Intelligence (BNAIC 2015), Hasselt, Belgium*, 2015.