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I will complete my Ph.D. early 2022, and I am looking for a position in R&D in machine learning to start in Spring 2022.

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## Education

- 2018 – March **Ph.D. in Statistics**, *Université Paris-Saclay*, France.  
2022 (expected) Ph.D. in Statistics on active and non-active link prediction on graphs, under the supervision of Christophe Giraud and Olga Klopp.  
Main field of expertise : bandit algorithms, network analysis, high dimensional statistics.
- 2017 – 2018 **Master of Science in Mathematics**, *Université Paris-Saclay*, France.  
Probability and Statistics track.
- 2014 – 2018 **Bachelor of Science**, *École Polytechnique*, France.  
Multidisciplinary B.S. – with a focus on Applied Mathematics and Computer Science (Data Science track).

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## Work Experience

- Sept. 2020 to Feb. 2021 **Research Engineer**, *Électricité de France*, France.  
Developed a transfer learning method for adaptively forecasting electricity load during the first covid lockdown. Improved existing methods for wind power prediction.
- Sept. 2018 to June 2020 **Teaching Assistant**, *École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Économique*, France.  
Lead problem sessions and designed problem sets for the courses "Refresher on Statistics", "Refresher on Machine Learning", "Statistics", and "Introduction to Machine Learning" (at Master's level).
- April to July 2018 **Research Intern**, *École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Économique*, France.  
Established minimax optimality of the maximum likelihood estimator in sparse network with missing observation, under the supervision of Olga Klopp.
- April to July 2017 **Research Intern**, *Department of Statistics, Oxford University*, United Kingdom.  
Developed a multi-scale, Bayesian, non-parametric approach for testing for dependance, under the supervision of Chris Holmes and Sarah Filippi.
- June to August 2016 **Software Development Trainee**, *Médiactif*, France.  
Analysed trajectories of pedestrians obtained from geolocalisation data in order to improve a crowd motion simulator (using Python and C++).

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## Skills

- Computer **R**, **Python**, **Matlab**, knowledge of **C++**, **Git**, **SQL**.
- Languages **English** (IELTS 8), **French** (native), **German** (intermediate, french-german high school diploma).

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## Publications

- 2021 **Outliers Detection in Networks with Missing Links**, S. Gaucher, O. Klopp, and G. Robin, *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*.
- 2021 **Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Sparse Networks with Missing Observations**, S. Gaucher and O. Klopp, *Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference*.
- 2020 **Finite Continuum-Armed Bandits**, S. Gaucher, *NeuRIPs 2020*.

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## Software

- R* package **gsbm**, Robust link prediction and outlier detection in the Generalized Stochastic Block Model, S. Gaucher and G. Robin.

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## Talks and Posters

- July 2021 **DSSV-ECDA**, Conference, *Outlier Detection in Networks with Missing Links*.
- June 2021 **Séminaire Palaisien**, Université Paris-Saclay and Institut Polytechnique de Paris joint seminar on Statistics and Machine Learning, *Continuum-armed bandits : from the classical setting to the finite setting*.
- March 2021 **École Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Économique**, Statistics and Machine Learning Seminar, *Introduction to Stochastic Bandits*.
- Dec. 2020 **NeurIPS 2020**, Poster Session, *Finite Continuum-Armed Bandits*.
- Oct. 2019 **Network Days III - Institut des Hautes Études Scientifiques**, Workshop, *Robust Link Prediction in the Stochastic Block Model*.
- April 2019 **Huitièmes rencontres des Jeunes Statisticiens**, Conference, *Maximum Likelihood Estimation of Sparse Networks with Missing Observations*.
- Oct. 2019 **Network Days II - Laboratoire de Mathématiques d'Orsay**, Workshop, *Sparse Network Estimation*.

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## Fellowship and Awards

- 2018-2021 **PhD scholarship**, Ministerial allowance.
- 2017 **Research Internship Award**, Congratulations of the CMAP (Center for Applied Mathematics, École polytechnique).