

# Linda Petrini

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## LINKS

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## SKILLS

### AI

Interpretability • Computer Vision  
Generative Models • Transformers  
Representation Learning

Data visualization  
Technical writing

## PROGRAMMING

Proficient:  
Python • TensorFlow  
PyTorch • JAX  
Pandas • Seaborn  
git • Colab • L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## LANGUAGES

Native:  
Italian  
Proficient:  
English (IELTS C1) •  
Russian • French

## COURSEWORK

### GRADUATE

Machine Learning  
Deep Learning  
Algorithms and Data Structures  
Natural Language Processing  
Computer Vision  
Information Theory, Game Theory  
Dynamical systems

### UNDERGRADUATE

Linear Algebra  
Analysis  
Algebra  
Geometry  
Probability and Measure Theory  
Numerical methods for ODEs  
Statistics

## VOLUNTEERING

Reviewer for NeurIPS, ICML, ICLR, AI  
for Social Good  
Mentor at AI4Good Lab  
Co-organiser of CVPR workshop  
"Ethical Considerations  
in Creative applications of Computer  
Vision"

## EDUCATION

### MILA - UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL | PHD STUDENT - CS

2021 – 2023

- Supervisors: Marc G Bellemare, Aaron Courville
- Topic: Deep Learning Interpretability for scientific discovery in Epigenomics.

### UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM | MSc ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

2017 – 2019 | Cum Laude

- Thesis: *"Generalization in Representation Learning: understanding the role of Locality through Zero-Shot Learning."*

### UNIVERSITY OF MILANO-BICOCCA | BSc MATHEMATICS

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### AI TECHNICAL WRITER

Sep 2023 - Now | Remote

- Specialized in crafting detailed workshop reports, meeting memos, and articles on AI technologies.

### GOOGLE - RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

Sep 2021- Jan 2023 | Google Brain - Montreal

- Led a team of 4 computer scientists and 4 epigenetics experts in adapting Deep Learning interpretability methods for scientific discovery, by training a predictive model on mice epigenome data, and interpreting it to inspire clinical experiments.
- Led a team of 4 people in developing a representation learning and sampling method for set data based on quantiles.

### GOOGLE - AI RESIDENCY

Oct 2019 - May 2021 | Google Brain - Montreal/Zurich

- Investigated alternative Transformer model losses for text data using edit distance.
- Improved unsupervised normalization methods based on Optimal Transport for genomic data.

### MILA - RESEARCH INTERNSHIP January-August 2019 | Montreal

- Designed and performed experiments to highlight the role of local information in Zero Shot Learning in the domain of Computer Vision.
- Developed Deep Learning interpretability method based on Mutual Information, resulting in a NeurIPS workshop publication.

### TEACHER ASSISTANT | MACHINE LEARNING I

Nov 2018 – Dec 2018 | University of Amsterdam

- Tutored 30 students from MSc course "Machine Learning I".
- Designed and graded homework for 200 students.

## PUBLICATIONS

### LOCALITY AND COMPOSITIONALITY IN ZERO-SHOT LEARNING | PUBLISHED AS A CONFERENCE PAPER AT ICLR 2020

### MUTUAL INFORMATION HEATMAPS AS A TOOL FOR INTERPRETABILITY | WORKSHOP ON INFORMATION THEORY AND MACHINE LEARNING (NEURIPS 2019)