# Sofiane Ennadir

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# EDUCATION

## KTH Royal Institute of Technology

2021 - Present

Ph.D candidate in Deep Learning for graphs

Stockholm, Sweden

- Advisor: Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis (KTH/Ecole Polytechnique) and Prof. Henrik Boström (KTH).
- Thesis: On the Adversarial Robustness and Applications of Graph Neural Networks (GNNs).
- Expected Graduation Date: February 2025.

#### Ecole Polytechnique - IPP Paris

2019 - 2021

MSc in Data Science - M2 Data Science

Paris, France

- Advisor: Prof. Eric MOULINES and Prof. Erwan LE PENNEC.
- Thesis: Interpretability and Explicability of Machine Learning Models.

#### EMINES School Of Industrial Management - UM6P

2014 - 2019

Master of Engineering

Morocco

• A Co-Directed Program by Ecole Polytechnique and supervised by Prof. Eric MOULINES including 2 years preparatory classes and 3 years General, Industrial Management Engineering Courses.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

If You Want to Be Robust, Be Wary of Initialization.

Ennadir S.& Al. - Accepted at the 38th Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (Neurips 2024).

Joint Embedding go Temporal.

Ennadir S.& Al. - Accepted at the TSALM Workshop, Neurips 2024.

Bounding the Expected Robustness of Graph Neural Networks Subject to Node Feature Attacks.

Abbahaddou Y.<sup>1</sup>, Ennadir S.<sup>1</sup> & Al. - Accepted at the 13th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR 2024).

A Simple and Yet Fairly Effective Defense for Graph Neural Networks.

Ennadir S. & Al. - Accepted at the 38th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI 2024).

- Initial version presented at AdvML Workshop, ICML 2023.

Interpretable Graph Neural Networks for Tabular Data.

Alkhatib A., Ennadir S. & Al. - Accepted at the 27th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ECAI 2024).

- Initial version presented at DMLR Workshop, ICLR 2024.

UnboundAttack: Generating Unbounded Adversarial Attacks to Graph Neural Networks

Ennadir S. & Al. - Oral at the 12th International Conference on Complex Networks and their Applications (CNA 2023).

Conformalized Adversarial Attack Detection for Graph Neural Networks.

Ennadir S. & Al. - Oral at the 12th Symposium on Conformal and Probabilistic Prediction with Applications (COPA 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Denotes Equal Contribution

## Approximating Score-based Explanation Techniques Using Conformal Regression.

Alkhatib A., Ennadir S. & Al. - Oral at the 12th Symposium on Conformal and Probabilistic Prediction with Applications (COPA 2023) - [Best student paper award].

#### Structure-Aware Antibiotic Resistance Classification Using Graph Neural Networks.

Qabel A., Ennadir S. & Al. - AI4Science Workshop, Neurips 2022.

- Extended version is currently under review.

# Professional Experience

Sep. 2024 - Present

Research Intern at King (AI Labs)

Stockholm

• Working on Self-supervised representation learning on continuous-time dynamic graphs (CTDG).

Jun. 2024 – Aug. 2024 Research Intern at Flatiron Institute - Simons Foundation New York

• Affiliated to the Polymathic AI initiative, I worked on investigating the usage of the Joint-Embedding Predictive Architectures (JEPA) for time series pre-training.

June - Dec. 2020

Research Intern at BNP Paribas

Paris

• Worked within the RISK Artificial Intelligence Research center (Risk AIR) on the Interpretability of ML/DL Models, mainly using counterfactual explanations in a black-box model approach.

April - Sep. 2019

Visiting Associate at Boston Consulting Group - BCG Casablanca

• Applied Data Science based methodologies to resolve diverse client challenges (Sales Forecasting, Cross-Selling ..)

June - Sep. 2018

Research Scholar at University of Louisville

Louisville, KY

• Worked with Prof. Hichem Frigui on a ML-based approach to detect Lung Cancer from CT Images. The output was a Computer Aided Diagnosis System with a 94% ( $\pm 0.6$ ) accuracy on the Luna Challenge.

#### SKILLS

Languages

Fluent: English (Toef Score 102). Native: Arabic, French

Programming

Proficient: Python. - Prior experience: MATLAB, C++, SQL, HTML.

Software Tools

PyTorch, PyTorch Geometric, Deep Graph Library, TensorFlow.

# AWARDS

WASP Doctoral Scholarship funded by the Knut and Alice Wallenberg Foundation OCP Full Excellence merit scholarship for outstanding results in entrance examination. 2021 2014

# Teaching and Academic Services

#### - Teaching Assistant:

- Introduction to LLMs & Deep Learning on Graphs Ecole Polytechnique.
- Deep Learning for time series, NLP and Graphs Ecole Polytechnique Executive Education.
- Conference Reviewer: ICLR 2025 Learning on graphs (LOG) 2024 Neurips 2024 TMLR.

# REFERENCES

Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis KTH/ Ecole Polytechnique - [mvaz@kth.se]

Prof. Henrik Boström KTH - [bostromh@kth.se]

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Prof. Hichem Frigui University of Louisville - [h.frigui@louisville.edu]