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Highlights

- **Research scientist:** computational neuroscience, machine learning, signal processing, publications to machine learning conferences (NeurIPS, ICASSP) and neuroscience journals
- **Open-source developer:** scikit-learn core developer, large codebases, advanced numerical optimization, API design, library maintenance, code reviews
- **Data scientist:** data analysis, data visualization, mathematical modeling, large datasets

Experience

- 2019 – present **Postdoc researcher, UC Berkeley**, Berkeley, CA, USA
(4 years)
- Advisor: Jack Gallant
 - Deep-learning-based brain encoding models in vision and natural language
 - Efficient hyper-parameter search on GPU for large multi-target models
 - Taxonomy of V4 neurons modeled with a custom deep-learning model architecture
 - Quantification of individual differences in encoding models using optimal transport
- 2015 – 2018 **Ph.D student researcher, Télécom Paris**, Paris, France
(3.5 years)
- Advisors: Alexandre Gramfort and Yves Grenier
 - Thesis: “Non-linear models for neurophysiological time-series”
 - *Best paper award - 1st prize (Université Paris-Saclay)*
 - *Ph.D thesis award - 1st prize (Club EEA, GRETSI, GdR ISIS)*
 - “*This is technically the most advanced PhD thesis I have ever seen, and the second best doesn’t even come close to it.*” (Guido Nolte – dissertation reviewer)
- 2015 – present **Open-source developer, Scikit-learn**
(8 years)
- Development of scikit-learn, the most popular machine learning library in Python
 - “*Fastest promotion ever to the core developer team.*” (Gaël Varoquaux)
- 2014 – 2014 **Research intern, DxO Labs**, Boulogne-Billancourt, France
(6 months)
- Research on blind deconvolution for motion deblurring in computer vision
 - *Dissertation highlighted for years as exemplary by Pierre Vanderghenst (ÉPFL)*
- 2013 – 2013 **Research intern, Institut d’Électronique Fondamentale**, Orsay, France
(3 months)
- Research on a calculus paradigm using stochastic binary signals
 - *Summa cum laude (top 10% dissertation) (École polytechnique)*

Education

- 2015 – 2018 **Ph.D, computational neuroscience, Télécom Paris**, Paris, France
- 2013 – 2015 **Master of Science, EECS, ÉPFL**, Lausanne, Switzerland
- 2010 – 2013 **Master of Engineering, EECS, École polytechnique (X10)**, Palaiseau, France
- 2008 – 2010 **Preparatory school, Lycée Saint Louis**, Paris, France

Expertise

- (9 years)
- Software development:** Python, Cython, Git, Bash, Matlab, Javascript
- Data science:** Scikit-learn, Pytorch, Scipy, Matplotlib, Pandas
- Skills:** analysis, formalization, abstraction, fast learning, critical thinking, attention to details, clarity of thoughts, writing, autonomy, mentoring

Publications

- in preparation M. Oliver*, M. Winter*, **T. Dupré la Tour***, M. Eickenberg*, J. L. Gallant, *A hierarchical convolutional energy model reveals how V4 neurons encode spatial, chromatic and temporal information in naturalistic videos*
- in preparation M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello*, **T. Dupré la Tour***, A. O. Nunez-Elizalde, J. L. Gallant, *Quantitative description of individual differences in voxelwise encoding models using optimal transport*
- in preparation **T. Dupré la Tour**, M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello, J. L. Gallant, *Voxelwise modeling: an encoding model approach to functional MRI analysis*
- in preparation M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello*, F. Deniz*, **T. Dupré la Tour**, J. L. Gallant, *Voxelwise encoding models in functional MRI: the voxelwise modeling framework*
- in preparation E. X. Meschke*, M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello*, **T. Dupré la Tour**, J. L. Gallant, *Model connectivity: leveraging the power of voxelwise modeling to recover functional networks*
- in preparation V. Chauhan, R. Philip, M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello, G. Jiahui, M. Fei-long, **T. Dupré la Tour**, J. Haxby, M.I. Gobbini, *Dynamic, naturalistic faces embedded in a narrative elicit responses in the distributed face processing system*
- preprint C. Chen, **T. Dupré la Tour**, J. L. Gallant, D. Klein, F. Deniz, *The cortical representation of language timescales is shared between reading and listening*
- 2023 F. Deniz, C. Tseng, L. Wehbe, **T. Dupré la Tour**, J. L. Gallant, *Semantic representations during language comprehension are affected by context*, Journal of Neuroscience
- 2022 **T. Dupré la Tour**, M. Eickenberg, A. O. Nunez-Elizalde, J. L. Gallant, *Feature-space selection with banded ridge regression*, NeuroImage
- 2022 T. Moreau, M. Massias, A. Gramfort, ..., **T. Dupré la Tour**, ..., *Benchopt: Reproducible, efficient and collaborative optimization benchmarks*, NeurIPS
- 2022 A. O. Nunez-Elizalde, F. Deniz, **T. Dupré la Tour**, M. Visconti di Oleggio Castello, J. L. Gallant, *Pymoten: scientific python package for computing motion energy features from video*, Zenodo
- 2021 **T. Dupré la Tour**, M. Lu, M. Eickenberg, J. L. Gallant, *A finer mapping of convolutional neural network layers to the visual cortex*, SVRHM workshop at NeurIPS
- 2019 L. Grabot, T. W. Kononowicz, **T. Dupré la Tour**, A. Gramfort, V. Doyère, V. van Wassenhove, *The strength of alpha-beta oscillatory coupling predicts motor timing precision*, Journal of Neuroscience
- 2018 **T. Dupré la Tour***, T. Moreau*, M. Jas, A. Gramfort, *Multivariate convolutional sparse coding for electromagnetic brain signals*, NeurIPS
- 2018 **T. Dupré la Tour**, Y. Grenier, A. Gramfort, *Driver estimation in non-linear autoregressive models*, ICASSP
- 2017 **T. Dupré la Tour**, L. Tallot, L. Grabot, V. Doyère, V. van Wassenhove, Y. Grenier, A. Gramfort, *Non-linear autoregressive models for cross-frequency coupling in neural time-series*, PLOS Computational biology
- 2017 M. Jas*, **T. Dupré la Tour***, U. Simsekli, A. Gramfort, *Learning the morphology of brain signals using alpha-stable convolutional sparse coding*, NeurIPS
- 2017 **T. Dupré la Tour**, Y. Grenier, A. Gramfort, *Parametric estimation of spectrum driven by an exogenous signal*, ICASSP

2017 **T. Dupré la Tour**, Y. Grenier, A. Gramfort, *Parametric models of phase-amplitude coupling in neural time-series*, BASP workshop

Services

2019 – 2022 **Reviewer**

- Reviews for machine learning conferences (NeurIPS/ICML/ICLR), open-source software journals (JMLR/JOSS/Scipy), and scientific journals (NeuroImage, GigaScience).
- *Reviewer award - Free registration for NeurIPS 2019.*

Nov. 2019 **Advisor**, *Women in machine learning and data science*, San Francisco, USA
Advisor for new contributors to scikit-learn.

Invited talks

Oct. 2021 Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience, Keynote and Tutorial, *Voxelwise Modeling: a powerful framework for recovering functional maps from fMRI data*, USA (remote)

Apr. 2021 Noninvasive Mathematics, *Convolutional sparse coding for electromagnetic brain signals*, Genoa, Italy (remote)

Mar. 2021 ENS seminar, *Multi-penalty ridge regression for voxelwise encoding models*, Lyon, France (remote)

Mar. 2021 Cognitive Neuroscience Colloquium, *Voxelwise encoding models*, Berkeley, USA (remote)

Aug. 2019 GRETSI, *Non-linear models for neurophysiological time-series*, Lille, France (remote)

Nov. 2018 PyParis, *Scikit-learn Transformers, v0.20 and beyond*, Paris, France

Jun. 2018 PyData meetup, *Nearest neighbors in scikit-learn estimators, API challenges*, Paris, France

Sep. 2017 C3S, *Non-linear autoregressive models for cross-frequency coupling in neural time-series*, Cologne, Germany

Jun. 2016 PyData Paris, *Training with open-source*, Paris, France