

TrungTin Nguyen

Curriculum Vitae (Short)

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
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"The book of nature is written in the language of mathematics." (Galileo G., 1890).

"Essentially, all models are wrong, but some are useful." (George E.P. Box, 1979).

Academic Appointment

- 2023–present **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, [School of Mathematics and Physics](#), [University Of Queensland](#), Brisbane, Australia.
Topic: Mathematical analysis of operator learning with artificial neural networks.
Mentors: [Hien Duy Nguyen](#), and [Xin Guo](#).
- 2022–2023 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, [Statify Team](#), [Inria centre at the University Grenoble Alpes](#), [MIAI Grenoble Alpes](#), Grenoble, France.
Topic: Bayesian model selection and simulated-based inference for complex and high-dimensional models.
Mentors: [Florence Forbes](#), and [Julyan Arbel](#).

Tertiary Education

- 2018–2021 **Doctor of Philosophy**, [Normandie Université](#), Caen, France.
Major in Statistics and Data Science. Defended on December 14, 2021.
Thesis title: [Model selection and approximation in high-dimensional mixture of experts models: from theory to practice](#).
Advisors: [Faïcel Chamroukhi](#). **Rapporteurs:** [Sylvain Arlot](#), and [Judith Rousseau](#).
Committee members: [Christophe Biernacki](#), [Hien Duy Nguyen](#), and [Gaëlle Chagny](#).
- 2017–2018 **Master of Science, Technology and Health**, [Université d'Orléans](#), Orléans, France, GPA: 18/20.
Mention: *Très Bien*. Major in Applied Mathematics.
Thesis title: Reinforcement learning for resource allocation problems using a partially observable Markov decision process.
Advisor: [Le Thi Hoai An](#).
- 2013–2017 **Bachelor of Science**, [Vietnam National University-Ho Chi Minh University of Science \(VNU-HCM\)](#), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, GPA: 9.17/10. Rank: 2/1557, Summa Cum Laude.
Honors Program in Mathematics and Computer Science. Major in Probability and Statistics.
Thesis title: Multiplicative censoring model.
Advisor: [Dang Duc Trong](#).

Research Interests

- Statistical learning** [Model selection](#) (minimal penalties and slope heuristics, non-asymptotic oracle inequalities), [simulation-based inference](#) (approximate Bayesian computation, Bayesian synthetic likelihood, method of moments), [Bayesian nonparametrics](#) (Gibbs-type priors, Dirichlet process mixture), [high-dimensional statistics](#) (variable selection via Lasso and penalization, graphical models), [uncertainty estimation](#).
- Machine learning** [Supervised learning](#) (deep hierarchical mixture of experts, deep neural networks), [unsupervised learning](#) (clustering via mixture models, dimensionality reduction via principal component analysis, deep generative models via variational autoencoders, generative adversarial networks and normalizing flows), [reinforcement learning](#) (partially observable Markov decision process).

- Optimization** [Robust and effective optimization algorithms for mixture models](#) (expectation–maximization, variational Bayesian expectation–maximization, Markov chain Monte Carlo methods), [difference of convex algorithm](#), [optimal transport](#) (Wasserstein distance, voronoi loss function).
- Applications** [Natural language processing](#) (large language model), [remote sensing](#) (planetary science, e.g., retrieval of Mars surface physical properties from hyper-spectral images), [audio processing](#) (sound source localization), [biostatistics](#) (genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics), [computer vision](#) (image segmentation).

Selected Publications

Deep neural networks

- 2023 Truong Giang Do, Huy Khiem Le, Quang Pham, TrungTin Nguyen, Binh T. Nguyen, Thanh-Nam Doan, Chenghao Liu, Savitha Ramasamy, Xiaoli Li, and Steven Hoi. [HyperRouter: Towards Efficient Training and Inference of Sparse Mixture of Experts](#). In *Proceedings of the 2023 Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing, EMNLP 2023 Main*, Acceptance rate 14% over 1041 submissions, December 2023.

Approximation capabilities and convergence rates of the mixture of experts models

- 2024 Huy Nguyen, TrungTin Nguyen, Khai Nguyen, and Nhat Ho. [Towards Convergence Rates for Parameter Estimation in Gaussian-gated Mixture of Experts](#). In *Proceedings of The 27th International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics, AISTATS 2024*, Acceptance rate 27.6% over 1980 submissions, May 2024.
- 2023 Huy Nguyen, TrungTin Nguyen, and Nhat Ho. [Demystifying Softmax Gating Function in Gaussian Mixture of Experts](#). In *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems, NeurIPS 2023 Spotlight*, Acceptance rate 3.6% over 12343 submissions, December 2023.
- 2023 Huy Nguyen, Pedram Akbarian, TrungTin Nguyen, and Nhat Ho. [A General Theory for Softmax Gating Multinomial Logistic Mixture of Experts](#). *arXiv preprint arXiv:2310.14188*, October 2023.
- 2022 TrungTin Nguyen, Faicel Chamroukhi, Hien D. Nguyen, and Geoffrey J. McLachlan. [Approximation of probability density functions via location-scale finite mixtures in Lebesgue spaces](#). *Communications in Statistics - Theory and Methods*, pages 1–12, May 2022.
- 2021 Hien Duy Nguyen, TrungTin Nguyen, Faicel Chamroukhi, and Geoffrey John McLachlan. [Approximations of conditional probability density functions in Lebesgue spaces via mixture of experts models](#). *Journal of Statistical Distributions and Applications*, volume 8, page 13, 2021.
- 2020 TrungTin Nguyen, Hien D Nguyen, Faicel Chamroukhi, and Geoffrey J McLachlan. [Approximation by finite mixtures of continuous density functions that vanish at infinity](#). *Cogent Mathematics & Statistics*, volume 7, page 1750861. Cogent OA, 2020.

Model selection

- 2023 TrungTin Nguyen, Dung Ngoc Nguyen, Hien Duy Nguyen, and Faicel Chamroukhi. [A non-asymptotic risk bound for model selection in high-dimensional mixture of experts via joint rank and variable selection](#). In *Australasian Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2023, AJCAI 2023 Long Oral Presentation*, Acceptance rate 11% over 213 submissions, November 2023.
- 2023 TrungTin Nguyen, Florence Forbes, Julyan Arbel, and Hien Duy Nguyen. [Bayesian nonparametric mixture of experts for high-dimensional inverse problems](#). *Preprint. hal-04015203*, March 2023.
- 2022 TrungTin Nguyen, Hien Duy Nguyen, Faicel Chamroukhi, and Florence Forbes. [A non-asymptotic approach for model selection via penalization in high-dimensional mixture of experts models](#). *Electronic Journal of Statistics*, volume 16, pages 4742 – 4822, 2022.
- 2021 TrungTin Nguyen. *Model Selection and Approximation in High-dimensional Mixtures of Experts Models: From Theory to Practice*. Ph.D. Thesis, Normandie Université, December 2021.

Simulation-based inference

- 2023 Hien Duy Nguyen, TrungTin Nguyen, Julian Arbel, and Florence Forbes. [Concentration results for approximate Bayesian computation without identifiability](#). *Preprint. hal-03987197*, February 2023.
- 2022 Florence Forbes, Hien Duy Nguyen, TrungTin Nguyen, and Julian Arbel. [Summary statistics and discrepancy measures for approximate Bayesian computation via surrogate posteriors](#). *Statistics and Computing*, volume 32, page 85, October 2022.

Selected Conference, Seminar, Workshop Presentations

- 12/2022 [2022 IMS International Conference on Statistics and Data Science \(ICSDS\)](#), Italy (Oral presentation).
- 10/2022 [BNP13 – 13th Conference on Bayesian Nonparametrics](#), Puerto Varas, Chile (Oral presentation).
- 06/2022 [53èmes Journées de Statistique de la Société Française de Statistique](#), Lyon, France (Oral presentation).
- 04/2021 [MiMo 2021: Workshop on Mixture Models](#), Université de Rouen Normandie, France (Invited speaker).

Teaching Experiences

- 01-04/2023: [Statistical analysis and document mining \(Complementary Course, 16.5h\)](#). Responsible professor: [Pedro Rodrigues](#), *Master 1 of Applied Mathematics, Université Grenoble Alpes*, France.
- 09-12/2022: [Méthodes statistiques pour la biologie - STA301 \(Travaux Dirigés, 23h\)](#). Responsible professor: [Julien Chevallier](#), *Licence Sciences et Technologies - BIO, Université Grenoble Alpes*, France.
- Fall 2018: [Mathematical and numerical foundations of modeling and simulation using partial differential equations \(Teaching Assistant, 24h\)](#). Responsible professor: [Jing-Rebecca Li \(IDEFIX team, Inria\)](#), *French-Vietnam Master 2 in Applied Mathematics, VNU-HCM*, Vietnam.
- Fall 2017: [Principles of Mathematical Analysis \(Teaching Assistant, 30h\)](#). Responsible professor: [Duong Minh Duc](#), *Bachelor in Mathematics and Computer Science, VNU-HCM*, Vietnam.

Fellowships and Awards

- 2023–2024 Postdoctoral Research Fellowships granted by [Australian Research Council Discovery Projects 230100905](#), *The University of Queensland*, Australia.
- 10/2022 [BNP13 Junior Travel Award \(1000 USD\)](#) granted by [International Society for Bayesian Analysis](#).
- 2022–2025 [Qualifications aux fonctions de Maître de Conférences](#). Section 26. [Mathématiques appliquées et applications des mathématiques](#). **Designated rapporteurs:** [Fabienne Comte](#), and [Fanny Villers](#).
- 2022–2023 Postdoctoral Fellowships granted by [Inria centre at the University Grenoble Alpes](#), France.
- 2018–2021 Ph.D. Scholarship granted by [Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche](#), France.
- 2017 Highest Distinction Graduation Award and Outstanding Student Award, [VNU-HCM](#), Vietnam.
- 2014–2017 Scholarship of the National Program for the Development of Mathematics 2010–2020 of [Vietnam Institute for Advanced Study in Mathematics \(VIASM\)](#), Vietnam.

Collaborators (in random order)

1. [Geoff McLachlan](#): Professor of Statistics (Personal Chair), [School of Mathematics and Physics, University Of Queensland](#), Brisbane, Australia.
2. [Florence Forbes](#): Senior Researcher (Director of Research), [Statify Team, Inria centre at the University Grenoble Alpes](#), Grenoble, France.
3. [Faïcel Chamroukhi](#): Full Professor of Statistics and Data Science, [Université de Caen Normandie, Lab. of Mathematics Nicolas Oresme \(LMNO\), UMR CNRS 6139](#); Scientific head of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, [IRT SystemX](#), the Research & Technology Organisation of [Université Paris-Saclay](#), Palaiseau, France.
4. [Hien Duy Nguyen](#): Associate Professor, [School of Computing, Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, La Trobe University](#), Bundoora, Victoria, Australia.
5. [Nhat Ho](#): Assistant Professor, [Department of Statistics and Data Sciences, The University of Texas at Austin](#), Austin,

Texas, United States.

6. [Julyan Arbel](#): Associate Researcher (Chargé de Recherche), [Statify Team](#), [Inria centre at the University Grenoble Alpes](#); [Laboratoire Jean Kuntzmann](#), member of [Université Grenoble Alpes Grenoble](#), Grenoble, France.
7. [Binh Nguyen](#): Associate Professor of Computer Science and the Head of the Department of Computer Science, [Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science](#), [University of Science \(VNUHCM-US\)](#), [Vietnam National University \(VNUHCM\)](#), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.
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10. [Khai Nguyen](#): Phd Student, [Department of Statistics and Data Sciences](#), [The University of Texas at Austin](#), Austin, Texas, United States.
11. [Dung Ngoc Nguyen](#): Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Statistics, [Department of Statistical Sciences](#), [University of Padova](#), Padova, Italy.
12. [Ho Minh Duy Nguyen](#): PhD Candidate, [Max Planck Research School for Intelligent Systems & DFKI](#), Stuttgart, Germany.
13. [Giang Truong Do](#): Research Assistant, [University of Tennessee](#), Tennessee, United States.
14. [Le Huy Kiem](#): Research Assistant, [Vin University](#), Hanoi, Vietnam.

Professional Services

Journal Reviewing (See certificate)

[Journal of the American Statistical Association](#) (Taylor Francis): 1 paper.

[Statistics and Computing](#) (Springer): 2 papers.

[Computational Statistics and Data Analysis](#) (Elsevier): 4 papers.

[Neurocomputing](#) (Elsevier): 1 paper.

[Biometrical Journal](#) (Wiley): 2 papers.

[Australian & New Zealand Journal of Statistics](#) (Wiley): 2 paper.

[Communications in Statistics - Theory and Methods](#) (Taylor Francis): 2 papers.

Conference Reviewing/Program Committee

[Proceedings of the Research School on Statistics and Data Science \(RSSDS 2019\)](#) (Springer): 2 papers

Editorial Board

[International Journal of Machine Intelligence and Sensory Signal Processing](#) (Inderscience): Associate Editors

Referees

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