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EDUCATION

PhD in Machine Learning at Telecom Paris (Palaiseau, France)

2023 – Present

PhD research on data uncertainty prediction with deep neural networks, resulting in publications [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7] with open-sourced repositories and weights.

MRes Mathematics, Vision, and Learning (MVA) at ENS Paris-Saclay

2021 - 2022

Deep learning in theory and practice, optimization and probabilistic methods, with applications to computer vision, graph, and time-series processing. GPA: 83% with highest honors.

MSc in Applied Maths (Eng. Degree) at Mines de Saint-Étienne (Saint-Étienne, France) Specialization in applied mathematics; machine learning foundations, probability theory, statistics, and quantum physics. Graduated with a GPA of 87%.

2019 - 2022

Bachelor in Mathematics at Université Jean-Monnet (Saint-Etienne, France)

2020 - 2021

Alongside Mines de Saint-Étienne; measure theory, differential calculus, topology. GPA: 79%.

Preparation classes at Lycée Fabert (Metz, France)

2017 - 2019

Field MPSI-MP* – Intensive courses in Maths, Physics, and Computer Science to prepare for competitive exams. Admitted to Mines de Saint-Etienne ("Mines-Ponts" competitive exams).

Work Experience

PhD Student at Valeo.ai (Paris, France)

2023 - Present

Learning with *multiple hypotheses* from ambiguous signals: "Winner-takes-all" training and applications; causal language modeling, audio/image captioning, perception, and time-series forecasting. Supervisors: G.Richard, A.Bursuc, M.Fontaine, S.Essid, and P.Pérez.

Research Scientist at Valeo.ai (Paris, France)

Dec. 2022 – Mar. 2023

Research position before the start of the PhD. Supervisor: Patrick Pérez.

Research Intern at Neural Concept (Lausanne, Switzerland)

Apr. 2022 – Sept. 2022

Neural Concept leverages geometric deep learning for physics. Research topic: Multitask Learning on geometric neural networks. Supervisor: Jonathan Donier.

Research Intern at the National Laboratory of Fusion (Madrid, Spain)

June 2021 – Aug. 2021

Developed a probabilistic model for time-series data generation.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS *Equal contribution. Full list on next page.

V. Letzelter*, H. Malard*, M. Fontaine, G. Richard, S. Essid, A. Bursuc, and P. Pérez. "Multiple Choice Learning of Low Rank Adapters for Language Modeling". In: *arXiv* (2025). [Paper] [Code].

A. Cortes*, R. Rehm, and **V. Letzelter***. "Winner-Takes-All for Multivariate Probabilistic Time Series Forecasting". In: *ICML*. [Paper] [Code]. 2025.

D. Perera*, V. Letzelter*, T. Mariotte, A. Cortés, M. Chen, S. Essid, and G. Richard. "Annealed Multiple Choice Learning: Overcoming limitations of Winner-takes-all with annealing". In: *NeurIPS*. [Paper] [Code]. 2024.

V. Letzelter*, D. Perera*, C. Rommel, M. Fontaine, S. Essid, G. Richard, and P. Pérez. "Winner-takes-all learners are geometry-aware conditional density estimators". In: *ICML*. [Paper] [Code]. 2024.

V. Letzelter, M. Fontaine, M. Chen, P. Pérez, S. Essid, and G. Richard. "Resilient Multiple Choice Learning: A learned scoring scheme with application to audio scene analysis". In: *NeurIPS*. [Paper] [Code]. 2023.

SKILLS

French: Native language. Tools: Python, Git, LaTeX (proficient); Shell, Slurm, R (basic).

English: Proficient. Libraries: Torch, HF, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Hydra, MLflow, etc.

German: Beginner. Skills: Research methodology, theory, protocols, reproducibility.

OTHER

Service. Reviewer: ICML24, NeurIPS25, ICLR26. Teaching: Gaussian Processes and DL (IPP).

Invited talks. NeurIPS in Paris, UPF Barcelona, Flatiron Institute, Charles University in Prague.

Sports. Running (official races), trekking, cycling, swimming, skiing, tennis, ping-pong.

Interests. Financial markets, mentoring in maths, physics, and CS (> 1k hrs), music, chess, astrophysics.

FULL PUBLICATION LIST SCHOLAR *Equal contribution

- [1] V. Letzelter*, H. Malard*, M. Fontaine, G. Richard, S. Essid, A. Bursuc, and P. Pérez. "Multiple Choice Learning of Low Rank Adapters for Language Modeling". In: arXiv preprint arXiv:2507.10419 (2025).
- [2] A. Cortes*, R. Rehm, and V. Letzelter*. "Winner-Takes-All for Multivariate Probabilistic Time Series Forecasting". In: *ICML*. 2025.
- [3] Y. Xu*, V. Letzelter*, M. Chen, É. Zablocki, and M. Cord. "Annealed Winner-Takes-All for Motion Forecasting". In: *ICRA*. 2025.
- [4] D. Perera*, V. Letzelter*, T. Mariotte, A. Cortés, M. Chen, S. Essid, and G. Richard. "Annealed Multiple Choice Learning: Overcoming limitations of Winner-takes-all with annealing". In: *NeurIPS*. 2024.
- [5] C. Rommel, **V. Letzelter**, N. Samet, R. Marlet, M. Cord, P. Pérez, and E. Valle. "ManiPose: Manifold-Constrained Multi-Hypothesis 3D Human Pose Estimation". In: *NeurIPS*. 2024.
- [6] V. Letzelter*, D. Perera*, C. Rommel, M. Fontaine, S. Essid, G. Richard, and P. Pérez. "Winner-takes-all learners are geometry-aware conditional density estimators". In: *ICML*. 2024.
- [7] V. Letzelter, M. Fontaine, M. Chen, P. Pérez, S. Essid, and G. Richard. "Resilient Multiple Choice Learning: A learned scoring scheme with application to audio scene analysis". In: *NeurIPS*. 2023.