

# ABBAHADDOU YASSINE

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### **Ecole Polytechnique, Laboratoire d'Informatique de l'X**

July 2022 - Present

*PHD candidate*

*Supervisors : Michalis Vazirgiannis, Fragkiskos D. Malliaros , Johannes F. Lutzeyer*

Ecole Polytechnique is the premier engineering University of France.

- PhD in Graph/Geometric machine learning.

### **New York University**

July 2023 - Present

*Visiting PHD Student*

*Supervisor : Amine Aboussalah*

Harnessing Information Geometry for Learning Dynamical Systems on Graph Neural Networks.

### **Ecole Polytechnique, Laboratoire d'Informatique de l'X**

January 2022 - June 2022

*Research Engineer*

Graph/Geometric machine learning.

### **NAVER LABS EUROPE**

April 2021 - October 2021

*Research Intern*

*Supervisor : Jean-Michel Renders*

- NAVER LABS Europe is the biggest industrial research centre in Artificial Intelligence in France. NAVER LABS is the R&D subsidiary of NAVER, Korea's leading internet company and the part of NAVER responsible for creating future technology.
- Evaluating the robustness of click models to policy distributional shift.
- Deep exposure models for unbiased recommendation.
- Learning to rank by optimizing the Normalized Discounted Cumulative Gain (NDCG) measure.

### **National Institute for Research in Digital Science and Technology (INRIA)**

October 2020 - April 2021

*Research Assistant,*

*Supervisor: Fragkiskos D. Malliaros*

- Inria is a French national research institution focusing on computer science and applied mathematics.
- Extension of deep learning algorithms to nonEuclidean data represented as Multilayer Networks (graphs).
- Application to the problem of graph-based multi-omics data integration in bioinformatics

### **National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS)**

October 2018 - June 2019

*Research Assistant,*

*Supervisor : Ludovic Goudenège & Gautier Viaud*

- The French National Centre for Scientific Research is among the world's leading research institutions.
- The study of Partial Differential Equation mixed with free boundary problems.
- Deep Learning algorithms for stochastic control problems on finite horizon in high-dimension.

### **Hedge Fund of La Française Group**

March 2020 - August 2020

*Research Intern*

- Optimal Control Algorithms for Long/Short Equity Trades in Variance Swap Pairs Strategies.

## **Societe Generale Corporate and Investment Banking**

September 2019 - February 2020

*Exotic Equity Derivatives Trading/Research Intern*

- Calibration of Stochastic Volatility models for pricing Exotic Equity Derivatives, e.g. Autocalls.
- Dynamic Hedging Optimization: An Optimal Control Approach.

## **EDUCATION**

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### **PHD Student - Ecole Polytechnique**

*July 2022 - Present*

PhD in Graph/Geometric machine learning.

### **MVA Master (Mathematics, Vision, Learning) - ENS Paris Saclay**

*September 2021 - December 2022*

Master's degree in Mathematics, Machine Learning and Computer Vision.

Highest honors

Relevant Courses : Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Object Recognition & Computer Vision, Large-Scale Distributed Optimization, Probabilistic Graphical Models, Reinforcement Learning.

### **Ecole CentraleSupélec Paris-Saclay**

*September 2017 - December 2022*

Master of Science, Applied mathematics & Engineering.

High honors

CentraleSupélec is among the best three French engineering schools. Students are recruited based on a very difficult national contest.

Relevant Courses : Stochastic calculus, Probability, Statistics Machine learning, Partial differential equations, Financial risks modeling, Algorithmic and programming.

### **CPGE MOULAY YOUSSEF , MPSI - MP**

*September 2015 - September 2017*

An intensive program in Mathematics, Physics, Engineering science and Computer science.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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**Y. ABBAHADDU**, S. ENNADIR, J. Lutzeyer, and M. Vazirgiannis. Bounding the expected robustness of graph neural networks subject to node feature attacks. Submitted to *The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations, 2023*.

S. ENNADIR, **Y. ABBAHADDU**, M. Vazirgiannis, and H. Bostrom. A simple and yet fairly effective defense for graph neural networks. In *The Second Workshop on New Frontiers in Adversarial Machine Learning, 2023*.

**Y. ABBAHADDU**, J. Lutzeyer, and M. Vazirgiannis. Graph neural networks on discriminative graphs of words. In *NeurIPS 2023 Workshop: New Frontiers in Graph Learning, 2023*.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

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Exploring Global Centrality-Based Normalization in Graph Shift Operators. With *Prof. Johannes F Lutzeyer, Prof. Fragkiskos D. Malliaros and Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis*.

Post-Hoc Robustness Enhancement in Graph Neural Networks with Conditional Random Fields. With *Prof. Johannes F Lutzeyer, Prof. Fragkiskos D. Malliaros and Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis*.

Curvature-Guided Learning: Applying Ricci Curvature in Information Geometry to Enhance Graph Autoencoders. With *Prof. Johannes F Lutzeyer, Prof. Fragkiskos D. Malliaros and Prof. Michalis Vazirgiannis*.

A New Perspective on Graph Equivalence: k-Hop Similarity and GNN Invariance. With *Prof. Amine Abousalah*.

Towards Balanced GNNs for Financial Networks: Leveraging Information Geometry to Tackle Quantity and Topology Imbalance. With *Prof. Amine Aboussalah*.

Systemic Risk Reduction via Information Geometry-Based Graph Rewiring. With *Cheng Chi* and *Prof. Amine Aboussalah*.

## SUPERVISION

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Kexin Xu. *Incorporating Solvent Information in Graph Diffusion Models for Protein Docking*. First Year Master Student, Research Intern from *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

## TEACHING

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INF554 Course - Ecole Polytechnique *Machine and Deep learning*.

## SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

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<b>Languages</b>	French, English, Arabic
<b>Skills</b>	Python, R, JAVA, Matlab, SQL, VBA

## ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

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Top 1% students in Morocco (Concours National Commun ranking 2017).

French Government's Major-Excellence Scholarship (37,830 €).

Merit Scholarship of the CIUP (5,000 € ).

ICML Grant (1,700 \$ )

## EXTRA-CIRRICULAR

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Sport: Football, Mixed Martial Arts

Interest: Photography