Badr-Eddine Chérief-Abdellatif

PhD in Statistics, CNRS Researcher CNRS - Laboratoire de Probabilités, Statistique & Modélisation LPSM

Academic positions

- From Oct. CNRS, Sorbonne Université, Chargé de Recherche CNRS, Paris (France)
 - 2022 CNRS researcher in the Laboratoire de Probabilités, Statistique et Modélisation (LPSM) Teaching in the two MSc Statistics and Learning & Algorithms at Sorbonne Université
- 2020-2022 University of Oxford, Postdoctoral fellow, Oxford (UK) Postdoctoral researcher in the department of Statistics, working with Pr. Arnaud Doucet
- 2017-2020 CREST/ENSAE, PhD Student, Paris (France)

PhD Thesis in the department of Statistics of CREST, supervised by Pr. Pierre Alquier Title: Contributions to the theoretical study of variational inference & robustness Jury: Elisabeth Gassiat (President), Ismaël Castillo & Arnaud Doucet (Reviewers), Pierre Alquier, Arnak Dalalyan, Aurélien Garivier, Vincent Rivoirard (Examiners)

Teaching Assistant in statistics, machine learning, measure theory and topology at ENSAE Paris

Education

- 2017–2020 Institut Polytechnique de Paris, PhD in Statistics & Machine Learning
- 2016-2017 ENS Paris-Saclay, MSc in Machine Learning, MVA Master Program
- 2014-2017 ENSAE Paris, MSc in Economics and Statistics, Engineering degree

Publications

- 2022 On PAC-Bayesian Reconstruction Guarantees for VAEs, with Y. Shi, B. Guedj & A. Doucet, Accepted, 25^{th} International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS 2022)
- 2022 Estimation of Copulas via Maximum Mean Discrepancy, with P. Alquier, A. Derumigny & J.-D. Fermanian, Accepted, Journal of the American Statistical Association (JASA)
- 2022 Finite sample properties of parametric MMD estimation: robustness to misspecification and dependence, with P. Alquier, Bernoulli
- Convergence Rates of Variational Inference in Sparse Deep Learning, Proceedings of the 37th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML 2020)
- 2020 MMD-Bayes: Robust Bayesian Estimation via Maximum Mean Discrepancy, with P. Alquier, Proceedings of the 2^{nd} Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference (AABI 2020)
- 2019 A Generalization Bound for Online Variational Inference, with P. Alquier & M.E. Khan, Proceedings of the 11^{th} Asian Conference on Machine Learning (ACML 2019) Best paper award
- 2019 Consistency of ELBO maximization for model selection, BECA, Proceedings of the 1^{st} Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference (AABI 2019) Travel award
- 2018 Consistency of Variational Bayes Inference for Estimation and Model Selection in Mixtures, with P. Alguier, Electronic Journal of Statistics (EJS)

Industrial experience

May-Sept. Quantitative analyst, BNP Paribas, Paris

2017 Internship in the Global Market Data & Artificial Intelligence Lab of the bank BNP Paribas

- Exploitation of techniques of machine learning on financial and client data
- Prediction and recommendation tasks on the bonds and on the Forex markets
- Building of support models for traders and sales in a Python environment

June-Sept. **Economist**, *Mines ParisTech & Yacast*, Paris

2016 Internship in the research centre for industrial economics of the Grande Ecole Mines ParisTech

- o Analysis of the market of French radio for the monitoring media company Yacast
- o Building of a predictive model of musical playlists in a Python environment

Jan.-May **Data scientist**, Accenture & M6, Paris

2016 Part-time internship in the professional services company Accenture for the TV channel M6

- Building of a recommender system for the TV on-demand service M6 Replay
- Use of machine learning algorithms and data analysis tools in an R environment

June-Aug. **Statistician-Economist**, *DARES*, Paris

2015 Internship in the French statistical office of the Ministry of Labour

• Statistical analysis of a survey dealing with training contracts in a SAS environment

Research Activities

Talks • University of Warwick, Statistics Seminar, Warwick (UK), June 2022.

- DeepMind/UCL, DeepMind/ELLIS CSML Seminar Series, London (UK), June 2022.
- o INRAE, MalAGE team Seminar, Jouy-en-Josas (France), Jan. 2022.
- o Université Paris-Saclay, Probability and Statistics Seminar, Orsay (France), Dec. 2021.
- University of Bristol, Statistics Seminar (UK), Oct. 2021.
- o Imperial College London, Statistics Seminar (UK), May 2021.
- o Sorbonne Université Université Paris-Cité, LPSM Seminar (France), Jan. 2021.
- Alan Turing Institute, DCE Seminar, London (UK), Sept. 2020.
- o ICML (Remote), July 2020.
- Riken AIP, PI Seminar, Tokyo (Japan), Feb. 2020.
- CREST, Stats/ML/Econometrics Seminar, Palaiseau (France), Nov. 2019.
- o I2M, Statistics Seminar, Marseille (France), Nov. 2019.
- o INRIA ENS Paris, Sierra Team Seminar, Paris (France), Oct. 2019.
- Ecole Doctorale Mathématiques Hadamard, PhD days, Palaiseau (France), May 2019.
- o AABI Symposium, Montréal (Canada), Dec. 2018.
- Université Paris-Saclay, Probability and Statistics Seminar, Orsay (France), June 2018.

Posters • MHC Conference, Université Paris-Saclay, Orsay (France), June 2021.

- o AABI Symposium, Vancouver (Canada), Dec. 2019.
- Structural Inference in High-Dimensional Models 2, HSE, St. Petersburg (Russia), Aug. 2019.
- o AABI Symposium, Montréal (Canada), Dec. 2018.

Awards Best Paper Award, 11^{th} Asian Conference on Machine Learning, 2019. Travel Award, 1^{st} Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference, 2018.

Grants Visiting Student Researcher Grant, from the Jacques Hadamard Foundation (Junior Scientific Visibility) to visit the ABI Team of the RIKEN AIP led by M.E. Khan, Tokyo (Japan), Feb. 2020. PhD Grant, from GENES (French Ministry for the Economy and Finance), 2017-2020.

Reviewing ICML, NeurIPS, AISTATS, AABI, JMLR, Biometrika, Entropy, IEEE TPAMI, Statistics & Probability Letters.

Skills and interests

Programming Python, R

Languages French (Native), English (Fluent), German (Intermediate), Chinese (Beginner)

Interests Music (Doublebass, Piano), Sport (Football)