



# Carlos Pinzón

Mathematician and engineer

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## EDUCATION

- July 2020 - Today  **PhD: Fairness and privacy issues in machine learning**  
École Polytechnique, Inria. (Palaiseau, France)
- Jan. 2018 - Sep. 2020  **Master in engineering (computer science):** 4 semesters.  
Highest grade, honors and graduation speech.  
Pontificia Universidad Javeriana Cali (PUJ Cali).
- Aug. 2011 - Dec. 2017  **Bachelor in Mathematics:** 9 semesters.  
Highest grade, honors, graduation speech and award.  
Escuela Colombiana de Ingeniería (ECI).
- Jan. 2011 - July 2017  **Bachelor in electronics engineering:** 10 semesters.  
Highest grade and award.  
Escuela Colombiana de Ingeniería (ECI).
- Aug. 2016 - July 2017 **DAAD scholarship:** academic semester and internship semester.
  - Winter semester 2016 / 2017 at KIT, Karlsruhe, Germany.
  - Internship as market analyst at ICIS, Karlsruhe.

## LANGUAGES

**Spanish:** Mother tongue.

**English**<sup>1</sup>: Fluid, C1.

**French:** Good and improving. Around B2~C1 these days.

**German**<sup>2 3</sup>: Was B2~C1 back in 2017. I'm forgetting it slowly.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- Sep. 2020 - Feb. 2022 **Assistant** for programming course CSE 101. École Polytechnique.
- Jan. 2018 - May 2020 **Data analyst and software developer:** Dashboard and backend algorithms.  
Centro de excelencia CAOBA (big data center).
- Nov. 2018 - Aug. 2019 **App developer using Ionic:** Entrepreneurship *Uigo* with three colleagues.
- Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2019 **Professor assistant of trees and graphs** with Camilo Rocha. PUJ, Cali.
- Jan. 2018 - May 2018 **Bsc. Professor of linear algebra and algorithms:** 3 groups, 3 subjects.  
ALLI (algebra), PIMO (programming II) y ALGO (algorithms). ECI, Bogotá.
- Jan. 2017 - June 2017 **Market analyst (intern):** Forecasting of LNG flow in the UK and electricity prices  
in Germany using MLearning. ICIS Tschach Solutions, Karlsruhe.
- Jan. 2014 - May 2015 **Assistant** for linear algebra course. Prof. Guiomar Lleras. ECI, Bogotá.

<sup>1</sup> Sep. 2020, C1 IELTS.

<sup>2</sup> Feb. 2016, B1 Goethe Zertifikat: 80 Sprechen, 96 Schreiben, 77 Hören, 80 Lesen.

<sup>3</sup> June 2017, C1 TestDaF: 5/5 Hören, 4/5 Sprechen, 4/5 Schreiben, 4/5 Lesen.

## RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC PROJECTS

- **Frequency estimation of evolving data under local differential privacy.**  
Algorithm for sequential private (noisy) data collection. Conference EDBT 2023.
- **Causal discovery for fairness.**  
Sensitivity analysis of the causality framework for assessing fairness. NIPS 2022.
- **Fast Python sampler of the von Mises Fisher distribution** (numpy sampler)
- **Minimizing information leakage under padding constraints** (privacy, awaiting response)
- **On the impossibility of non-trivial accuracy in presence of fairness constraints**  
Cases where the accuracy-fairness trade-off is extreme. AAAI 2022, PFIA 2022.
- **Computing aggregate knowledge as the greatest lower bound of knowledge.**  
Conference RAMICS 2021. (posets, discrete math)
- **Make puzzles great again.** 4 problems and interesting solutions. LNCS.
- **Algorithmic analysis of blockchain efficiency with communication delay.**  
Model for blockchain growth using graph theory. Conference FASE 2020.
- **Segmentation of crop images**, with Dr. Javier Chaparro  
Project about path routing from aerial photos of potato crops for a land robot.
- **Cardiac data filtering**, with my friend Omar Parra and 3 professors  
Project about a GUI in Matlab for processing images and data of hearts of lab rats.
- **Espacios ad-compactos**, supervised by Dr. Néstor Raúl Pachón Rubiano  
Study of a generalization of compactness in topology (pure math).
- **Double-spend attack models with time advantage for Bitcoin**  
Theoretical model for some attacks to the Bitcoin network. CLEI 2016. ENTCS.

## PERSONAL SKILLS

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| Communication and personality | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ I feel comfortable giving a talk or being the center of attention.</li><li>▪ I listen carefully to other people's point of view.</li><li>▪ I am transparent and I avoid conflicts.</li><li>▪ I excel at making hard topics easier to understand for my colleagues.</li><li>▪ I like teamworking. "Alone means faster but together means further".</li><li>▪ I write clearly and I put effort into pronunciation to be understood easily.</li></ul>     |
| Preferred topics              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Mathematics: logic and probability/statistics.</li><li>▪ Computer science: ML, divide and conquer algorithms.</li></ul>  |
| Technical skills              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Lots of experience with Python and javascript. I understand Python deeply.</li><li>▪ Preferred science tools: numpy, scikit-learn, pytorch, vsCode, sublime, colab.</li><li>▪ Some, but little experience with C, C++ and Java in programming contests.</li><li>▪ Front-end programming skills. Vanilla JS+CSS+HTML, jQuery, angular, react, TS.</li><li>▪ Server-side preferred tools: Linux (since 2009), git, node, flask, sqlite, NGINX.</li></ul> |

## CERTIFICATES, AWARDS AND MORE

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| Online courses<br>(mostly coursera) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>6th IVADO/Mila deep learning school.</b> Université de Montréal.</li><li>▪ <b>Economics of money and banking.</b> Columbia University.</li><li>▪ <b>Artificial intelligence data fairness and bias,</b> LearnQuest.</li><li>▪ <b>Internet giants: law and economics of media platforms.</b> U. of Michigan.</li><li>▪ <b>Machine learning.</b> Stanford University. Perfect score, 100%.</li><li>▪ <b>Digital signal processing.</b> École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.</li></ul>   |
| Awards                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Datátón Bancolombia 2019.</b> Third place (national), with two friends.</li><li>▪ <b>Two 100% Master-PhD scholarships.</b> To be used exclusively at ECI for obtaining the highest grades in electronics and then in mathematics.</li><li>▪ <b>Academic excellence scholarship</b> more than 8 times consecutively at ECI for being among the top 3 students in electronics and mathematics.</li><li>▪ <b>Programming contests CCPL</b> with two friends. Team Ecigma Alpha.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▫ Third best team in Colombia during 2014 (bronze medal).</li><li>▫ First place in some contests during 2015 and 2016.</li><li>▫ Special invitation to visit Google and Microsoft offices in Bogotá.</li></ul></li></ul> |

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