Corentin Léger - AI Research Engineer

Website, GitHub, LinkedIn, Google Scholar

Research Engineer with a strong foundation in Machine Learning and Software development, particularly interested in Reinforcement Learning, LLMs, Evo Strategies and multi-agent systems. I am looking for a PhD position related to these fields starting in 2026.

SKILLS

- Programming: Python, Git, Linux, Web Development, Cloud Computing, CI/CD
- Python Frameworks: Jax, Numpy, PyTorch, Scikit Learn, Optuna, Hydra, Pandas, Flask, Gym

EXPERIENCE

Huawei

Paris, France

Research Engineer, Noah's Ark Lab

Mar 2025 - Present

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- o Apply LLMs (vLLM) with Machine Learning methods (Scikit-Learn) to automate Data Science tasks.
- Focus on implementing the pipeline part for preprocessing tabular datasets. Design and implement feature engineering and selection algorithms, to optimize the performance of an AutoML tool on preprocessed data.

Inria

Bordeaux, France

Research Engineer, Flowers Lab

Dec 2023 - Jan 2025

- Co-developed the Open-Source LLM-Culture software to simulate and analyze text evolution in LLM-based multi-agent systems [2]. The system models agent interactions based on neighbors outputs, task, and personality across generations. Built NLP (SpaCy, NLTK) and data visualization tools to evaluate text properties, as well as a web interface.
- o Contributed to a paper (ICLR 2025) exploring evolution of text properties in multi-turn LLM interactions [1].
- Co-Developed a Vivarium, a multi-agent simulator built in Jax for AI research and teaching, achieving real-time interaction
 with Web or Jupyter notebook clients. Supervised an intern and used the simulator in a Master's course at UPF Barcelona.

Inria

Bordeaux, France

AI Research Intern, Flowers and Mnemosyne Labs

May 2023 - Nov 2023

- Developed ER-MRL, a Meta-Reinforcement Learning method that optimizes RNNs with Evolutionary Strategies, in order to improve Deep RL agents' adaptability in new environments [3] (Sb3, Gym, Optuna)
- Created a tutorial for parallelized hyper parameter search in the open source ReservoirPy library (500+ stars).

Connectiv-IT

Bordeaux, France

Data Scientist Intern

May 2022 - Aug 2022

 Applied Pandas and Scikit-Learn to preprocess helicopter maintenance data, performing cleaning, outlier detection and imputation. Used statistical analysis (SciPy) and clustering (Scikit-Learn) to identify key trends in maintenance data.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] When LLMs Play the Telephone Game: Perez, J., Kovač, G., Léger, C., Colas, C., Molinaro, G., Derex, M., Oudeyer, P. Y., Moulin-Frier, C. (2024). ICLR 2025
- [2] Cultural evolution in populations of Large Language Models: Perez, J., Léger, C., Ovando-Tellez, M., Foulon, C., Dussauld, J., Oudeyer, P. Y., Moulin-Frier, C. (2024). Arxiv
- [3] Evolving Reservoirs for Meta Reinforcement Learning: *Léger, C., *Hamon, G., Nisioti, E., Hinaut, X., Moulin-Frier, C. (2024). EvoAPPs (Long Talk)
- [4] Early Empirical Results on Reinforcement Symbolic Learning: Radji, W., Léger, C., Bardisbanian, L. (2023). HAL Inria

Selected Projects

- Open Source Contributions: Fixed several issues in Stable-Baselines RL library (10k+ stars). Contributed to KanRL, helped creating this app to interpret RL policies, and benchmarked PPO and Policy Gradient algorithms with KANs.
- Hackathons: Optimized multi-LLM agent systems on maths tasks with evolutionary algorithms, led to creation of a Start-Up. Won the 2023 and 2024 versions of Hack1Robo for analyzing text evolution in populations of LLMs, and for optimizing persuasion capacities of LLMs with evolutionary strategies. Trained robotic arms with RL at HuggingFace LeRobot hackathon.

EDUCATION

Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Cognitique

Bordeaux, France

Master of Science in Computer and Cognitive Sciences; GPA: 4.00 Sept. 2020 – Sept. 2023 Activities: Bronze medal at French University Volley-Ball Championship 2023

Cycle Préparatoire de Bordeaux (CPBx)

Bordeaux, France

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Physics, Sport-Study contract with ASI Volley-ball

Sept. 2018 - Jun. 2020