

# Diego M. Arribas

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## Experience

### Industry

- 2021–Present **Senior Data Scientist**, *Nubank*, Remote.
- Developing a machine learning model and framework to transform Lending's policy design.
  - Developed data processing pipelines (ETL) using Spark with Scala.
  - Led the development of Lending's machine learning model for loan risk, impacting millions of customers and deciding on billions in amount lent while proposing innovative modeling methods.

### Research

- 2016–2021 **PhD student**, *IBioBA - Max Planck Partner Institute*, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Developed and implemented Bayesian probabilistic models in Python to study neural coding.
- 2020 **Visiting Scholar**, *Stony Brook University*, New York, USA.
- Developed a framework and a PyTorch library to improve samples generated by autoregressive models.
  - Developed a Bayesian method to extract underlying timescales of neural data.

## Skills

- Programming Python | Scala | Bash | Git | Matlab
- Data Science SQL | Spark | AWS | Docker | Kafka | Kubeflow | Scikit-learn | LightGBM/XGBoost | PyTorch | Keras | SHAP | Pandas | NumPy | Fklearn | NLTK | SpaCy | LLMs | LangChain
- Mathematical modeling Machine Learning | Time Series Modeling | Bayesian Modeling | Causal Inference | Statistics | Deep Learning | Natural Language Processing | Dynamical Systems

## Education

- 2016–2021 **PhD in Computational Neuroscience**, *University of Buenos Aires*, Argentina.
- 2009–2016 **MSc in Physics**, *University of Buenos Aires*, Argentina, GPA – 9.62/10.

## Schools and courses

- Aug2021 Oxford Machine Learning Summer School. Online.
- Nov2019 Khipu. Latin American Meeting In Artificial Intelligence. Montevideo, Uruguay
- Aug2017 CAJAL Course in Computational Neuroscience. Champalimaud Centre for the Unknown, Lisbon, Portugal
- Jun/Jul2017 Neural Systems & Behavior. Marine Biological Laboratories, Woods Hole, USA

## Publications

- 2023 **D M Arribas**, A Marin-Burgin and L G Morelli. Adult-born granule cells improve stimulus encoding and discrimination in the dentate gyrus. *eLife*.
- 2022 D Neophytou\*, **D M Arribas\***, R Levy, I M Park and H V Oviedo. Differences in temporal processing speeds between the right and left auditory cortex reflect the strength of recurrent synaptic connectivity. *PLOS biology*.
- 2020 **D M Arribas**, Y Zhao and I M Park. Rescuing neural spike train models from bad MLE. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 33 (NeurIPS 2020)*.

## Teaching experience

- Jul2021 **Teaching Assistant**, *Neuromatch Academy*, Remote.  
Taught an introductory course in Computational Neuroscience for international scientists.
- 2018–2020 **Data Science Mentor**, *Acámica*, Buenos Aires, Argentina.  
Taught an introductory course in Data Science and Machine Learning for professionals.
- 2013–2018 **Physics and math Teaching Assistant**, *University of Buenos Aires and ITBA*, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

## Languages

- English **Proficient**
- Spanish **Native**
- Portuguese **Intermediate**
- German **Basic**