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## education

09/2016  
04/2019 Master of Science & Engineering /speciality Robotics + extra credits in Computational Neuroscience, EPFL

09/2012  
06/2016 Bachelor of Science & Engineering /speciality Microengineering, EPFL

06/2012 French Baccalaureate, Scientific specialization & advanced Maths *summa cum laude*

## can speak...

proficiency  
mother tongue English  
mother tongue French  
fluent Spanish

## publications

**Learning Representations of Source Code from Structure & Context**  
Bourgeois, Catasta, Leskovec  
MSc Thesis

**A dynamic embedding model of the media landscape**  
Rappaz\*, Bourgeois\*, Aberer  
WWW'19

**GNNEExplainer: Generating Explanations for Graph Neural Networks**  
Ying, Bourgeois, You, Zitnik, Leskovec  
pre-print

**Selection Bias in News Coverage: Learning It, Fighting It**  
Bourgeois\*, Rappaz\*, Aberer  
WWW'18

**Using holistic information in the Trigger**  
Bourgeois, Fitzpatrick, Stahl  
LHCb Pub

**New approaches for track reconstruction in LHCb's Vertex Locator**  
Hasse, Albrecht, Couturier, Bourgeois, Coco, Nolte, Ponce  
JHEP'18

## currently...

since 08/2019 Senior Research Scientist @ Robust.AI  
Software Architecture - Robotics - Probabilistic Programming - Hybrid Methods  
python - rust

Designing and building an extensible robotics platform that enables reliable behavior for mobile robots equipped with rich sensory input and common sense reasoning.

## experience

09/2018 MSc Thesis  
07/2019 @ SNAP, Stanford / LTS2, EPFL  
Graph Neural Networks - NLP - Representation Learning - Interpretability  
python - tensorflow - jupyter

Designing a new encoder which learns representations of source code from structure and context. The model can then be fine-tuned to achieve state-of-the-art results on common tasks like naming variables or methods. After a successful defense with honors, this work is currently being pursued for publication and extended with other collaborations within the lab.

02/2018 Intern  
08/2018 @ LHCb Trigger Group, CERN  
Machine Learning - Large-scale Data Processing  
python - pytorch - jupyter

The aim is to select interesting particle collisions in a processing-friendly and interpretable way, using only low-level detector information. Throughput dropped by 84% on a 30MHz event rate, a gain tuneable based on signal efficiency requirements.

09/2017 Semester Project  
02/2018 @ RLI, IDIAP  
Control - Kinematics - Robotics  
matlab - tango - java - python

Exploring partial joint control on a humanoid robot, which was finalized by an AR interface based on Tango to control the Baxter robot.

02/2017 Semester Project  
06/2017 @ LSIR, EPFL  
Recommender Systems - News  
matlab - python

Identifying correlations in news coverage using Matrix Factorisation methods, usually used in recommender systems. Led to two publications at the WebConf and a funded news observatory project.

02/2016 Intern  
06/2016 @ LASA, EPFL  
Machine Learning - Robotics - Anomaly Detection  
python - ROS

Designing predictive failure detection algorithms for multi-DOF robots. From sensor data, the algorithm predicts 93% of failures in simulated experiments.

06/2016 Intern  
09/2016 @ IRI, UPC-Barcelona  
Control - Robotics - Odometry  
C++ - ROS - Kinect

Extending a visual odometry framework to support inertial readings at a high frequency. This included verifying and implementing IMU preintegration on manifold methods.

09/2015 Intern  
02/2016 @ LIS, EPFL  
Control - Drone - Anomaly Detection  
C++ - Matlab

Implementation of a fast free-fall recovery algorithm for a quadcopter, allowing for emergency stabilization or throw recovery.

## references

Michele Catasta Stanford  
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Jure Leskovec Stanford  
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## can do programming

proficiency  
Main Python/Rust  
Scholar C(++)  
Working Swift/JS

## software

ROS openCV pyro numpy  
PyTorch Tensorflow sklearn  
Docker Kubernetes protobuf  
gRPC NATS Ableton  
Sketch Final Cut Solidworks

## and also...

**Blogger** Artifices Intelligents  
Le Temps, 2018-2019  
**Speaker** AI+Journalism Workshop  
pilote.media, 2019  
**Speaker** ML Workshop  
powercoders, 2018  
**Teaching Assistant**  
Applied Data Analysis, EPFL, 2017  
**Head of IT**  
Satellite, EPFL, 2016-2017  
**Stage + Music programmer**  
Sat Rocks, EPFL, 2016  
**Contributor** Signal for iOS  
Open Whisper Systems, 2014  
**Freshman Counselling**  
EPFL, 2014  
**Student Assistant** CS101  
EPFL, 2013

## and for fun...

Music (curation, creation, DJ)  
Climbing Road Biking Tennis

