Étienne Bamas

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EDUCATION

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)

Lausanne, Switzerland

Ph.D. student in approximation and online algorithms, Advisor: Ola Svensson .

2018-2023 (expected)

Université Paris Diderot - École Normale Supérieure Paris

Paris, France

M.Sc. in Theoretical Computer Science (summa cum laude); GPA: 18.81/20 (rank: 2/63).

2017-2018

- Thesis: "Local algorithms in graphs", Advisor: Louis Esperet ♥.

École polytechnique (Engineering diploma)

Paris, France

Specialization in machine learning and algorithms; GPA: 3.79/4.00.

2014 - 2018

Lycée Louis-Le-Grand, classe préparatoire MPSI/MP*

Paris, France

Training in mathematics and physics for competitive exams to enter "Grandes écoles"; GPA: 3.89/4.00. 2012 - 2014

French "Baccalauréat série S" (summa cum laude).

Paris, France

2012

EXPERIENCE

Research internship G-SCOP

Grenoble, France

Research in the G-SCOP \square team for combinatorial optimization.

April 2018–August 2018

- I investigated what can or cannot be computed by local algorithms in graphs. This project led to two publications in theoretical computer science conferences.

Research and software engineering internship, INRIA

Research done in the INRIA team NANO-D .

Grenoble, France March 2017-July 2017

- I designed and implemented an efficient algorithm for detecting symmetries in folded protein in order to predict their interactions. The programming language was C++.

Internship at Surrey Satellite Technology Ltd

Intern in the OBDH (On-Board Data Handling) team.

Guildford, England

Summer 2017

- I took part in analyzing circuit designs and optical devices for satellites as well as programming analysis software.

Military Service

Paris, France

Paris Fire Brigade, first fire group.

September 2014-April 2015

- Team leader of a rescue team of 3 people in case of accident, dangerous disease, or fire.

Awards and Honors

• NeurIPS oral presentation ($\approx 1\%$ acceptance rate)

2020

• NeurIPS spotlight presentation ($\approx 4\%$ acceptance rate)

2020

• EPFL IC School 1-year Fellowship

2018

Citation for outstanding service in my unit during military service

2015

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Étienne Bamas, Marina Drygala, and Ola Svensson, "A Simple LP-Based Approximation Algorithm for the Matching Augmentation Problem", to appear in 23rd Conference on Integer Programming and Combinatorial Optimization, IPCO 2022.
- 2. Étienne Bamas, Marina Drygala, and Andreas Maggiori, "An Improved Analysis of Greedy for Online Steiner Forest" , 33rd ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms, SODA 2022.
- 3. Étienne Bamas, Paritosh Garg, and Lars Rohwedder, "The Submodular Santa Claus Problem in the Restricted Assignment Case" , 48th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming, ICALP 2021.
- 4. Étienne Bamas, Andreas Maggiori, and Ola Svensson, "The Primal-Dual method for Learning Augmented Algorithms" , Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 33, NeurIPS 2020 (oral presentation).
- 5. Étienne Bamas, Andreas Maggiori, Lars Rohwedder, and Ola Svensson, "Learning Augmented Energy Minimization via Speed Scaling" , Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems 33, NeurIPS 2020 (spotlight presentation).
- 6. Étienne Bamas and Louis Esperet, "Local Approximation of the Maximum Cut in Regular Graphs" , Graph-Theoretic Concepts in Computer Science 45th International Workshop, WG 2019.
- 7. Étienne Bamas and Louis Esperet, "Distributed Coloring of Graphs with an Optimal Number of Colors" , 36th International Symposium on Theoretical Aspects of Computer Science, STACS 2019.

TEACHING

• Supervision of semester projects at EPFL Project on learning-augmented algorithms 2021

- Teaching Assistant at EPFL "Algorithms" (head TA), "Theory of Computation" (head TA), "Information, Calcul, Communication"
 - 2019–now

• Teaching Assistant at Lycée Janson-de-Sailly In charge of oral exams in mathematics 2017 - 2018

SKILLS AND LANGUAGES

- **Programming:** Java, C++, Python.
- French: Native.
- English: Full professional proficiency (110/120 TOEFL iBT).
- Spanish and Mandarin: Basics.

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND TALKS

- Reviewer for the conferences: MFCS 2019, WAOA 2020, ITCS 2020, NeurIPS 2021, SODA 2022.
- Reviewer for the journals: Algorithmica (2021).
- I gave a talk at the following conferences: WG 2019, STACS 2019, NeurIPS 2020, ICALP 2021, Operations Research Bern (OR) 2021, SODA 2022.

Extracurricular Activities

- Fond of sports: running (in competition), skiing, rock climbing, hiking.
- Member of EPFL emergency medical team (2019).