Fabiola Espinoza Castellon

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Experience

2020 – 2024 **PhD, Computer Science**, *CEA List*, Saclay, France.

(3 years and 3 • Title "Contributions to effective and secure federated learning with client data heterogeneity".

- months Contributions:
 - Mitigating client-data heterogeneity by clustering model updates based on incremental similarity.
 - Domain adaptation in a federated context using optimal transport.
 - Defense against backdoor attacks by estimating the attack trigger.
 - Conference papers presented at IJCNN 2022, IEEE TPS-ISA 2023, GRETSI 2023, ICASSP 2024.
 - o Skills: Federated learning, computer vision, image classification, state-of-the-art methods reproduction, Python (Pytorch), GPU/CUDA, Slurm workload manager, scientific writing and public speaking.

2020 – 2020 Research intern, Electricité De France R&D, Saclay, France.

- (6 months) Forecast of EDF's wind power production with deep learning.
 - 2D long-term meteorological data, time series.
 - o Skills: Conv-RNNs/LSTMs for regression, Python (tensorflow/keras), research.

2019 - 2019 **Research intern**, *United Nations Pulse Lab*, Jakarta, Indonesia.

- (3 months) Estimation of electricity access in Indonesia.
 - Remote sensing data (satellite images), ground truth data (official statistics) and open data.
 - o Skills: Python (pandas), GDAL, ArqGIS, data visualization (Ploty), communication.

Education

2020–2024 **Ph.D., Computer Science**, *Université Paris-Saclay*, Saclay, France.

- Publications and reviews in international conferences.
- o Courses conception/teacher assistant for undergraduate and graduate levels at Telecom SudParis, INSTN and IUT de Sceaux.

2017–2020 M.Eng specialized in Artificial Intelligence, Télécom SudParis, Evry, France.

- Degree jointly with Telecom Paris and ENSTA Paris.
- Machine and Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing.

2015–2017 **Preparatory classes in Maths/Physics section**, *Lycée Thiers*, Marseille, France.

Preparation for competitive entrance exams leading to French engineering schools.

Academic achievements and recognitions

- 2024 **G-Research quantitative research grant**, grant for early career researchers.
- 2023 Best Paper Award, IEEE Trust, Privacy and Security in Intelligent Systems and Applications.
- 2015 2020 Bourse Excellence-Major, 5-year scholarship awarded based on high school academic excellence.

Skills

Python, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Scikit-Learn, Numpy, Pandas, LATEX, Git, Bash, GPU Projects allocation, Slurm (workload manager).

Course Java, C, SQL, LLMs

Languages

Fluent: Spanish (mother-tongue), French, English | Intermediate: Portuguese