

# GASPARD GOUPY

PHD CANDIDATE · MACHINE LEARNING · NEUROMORPHIC COMPUTING

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Advancing energy-efficient machine learning for Edge AI to lower computational costs and environmental impact.

## SKILLS

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**Topics:** Spiking Neural Networks, Neuromorphic Computing, Computer Vision, Deep Learning, Reinforcement Learning

**Frameworks/Tools:** NumPy, CuPy, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn, Unity, Git, Docker, PostgreSQL, Linux

**Programming:** Python, C, C++, C#, Java, JavaScript, SQL

## EDUCATION

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### Ph.D in Computer Science

University of Lille

Expected Sept 2025

Lille, France

- Published at a top-tier AI conference (NeurIPS)
- Led 2 master's research projects at the University of Cluj-Napoca (Romania)

### M.S. in Computer Science, spec. A.I.

University Claude Bernard Lyon 1

2022

Lyon, France

- Ranks: 10/121 (1st year); 4/31 (2nd year)
- Relevant courses: Machine learning, Reinforcement learning, Bio-inspired computing, IoT, Multi-agent systems

### B.S. in Computer Science

University Claude Bernard Lyon 1

2020

Lyon, France

- One-year exchange at Tecnológico de Monterrey (2nd best university in Mexico), 2019

## EXPERIENCE

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### Graduate Researcher

University of Lille

Oct 2022 – Present

Lille, France

- Improved significantly the accuracy of spiking classifiers trained with error-modulated brain-inspired learning rules by developing novel winner-takes-all competition and homeostasis mechanisms
- Introduced several supervised learning methods for spiking neural networks, focusing on bio-inspired mechanisms and compatibility with on-chip training on neuromorphic hardware

### Research Intern

Interdisciplinary Institute for Technological Innovation

Mar 2022 – Sept 2022

Sherbrooke, Canada

- First-authored a scientific paper on a novel hardware-friendly unsupervised learning rule in Convolutional Spiking Neural Networks (CSNNs), outperforming the state of the art on the TIDIGITS speech recognition dataset
- Designed a low-power acoustic anomaly detection system by developing CSNNs trained using unsupervised continual learning to enable constant monitoring of machines with IoT devices

### Full-Stack Developer Intern

University Jean Moulin Lyon 3

July 2020 – Sept 2020

Lyon, France

- Automated equipment loaning processes by developing a web application for the university intranet
- Implemented a RESTful API with .NET and a client-side UI with Angular

## CERTIFICATIONS

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Course “Linear Algebra for Machine Learning and Data Science”, DeepLearning.AI

2023

Scientific mediator, University of Lille

2023

Course “Sharing knowledge with Wikipedia”, University of Lille

2023

Course “Latex, advanced level”, University of Lille

2023

Course “Effective reading of scientific papers”, University of Lille

2022

Course “Computational Neuroscience”, University of Washington

2022

Specialization “Deep Learning”, DeepLearning.AI

2021

## PROJECTS

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- SpikeNN** · [github.com/ggoupy/SpikeNN](https://github.com/ggoupy/SpikeNN) 2024
- Spiking neural network framework implemented in NumPy and Numba for faster CPU-based processing
  - Features fully-connected architectures, event-based processing, first-spike coding, single-spike IF/LIF neurons, and STDP-based supervised learning rules
- AutoMiam** · [github.com/ggoupy/AutoMiam](https://github.com/ggoupy/AutoMiam) 2022
- Smart IoT pet-feeder system with Arduino, using deep learning (fine-tuned Siamese network) for dog identification and automated food intake regulation, supported by a Python server and Node.js apps
- DofusAISim** · [github.com/ggoupy/DofusAISim](https://github.com/ggoupy/DofusAISim) 2021
- Simulation of a tactical RPG game with Unity, focusing on multi-agent systems and AI behaviors with decision trees and reinforcement Q-learning

## PUBLICATIONS

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Complete list of publications available on [Google Scholar](#) — Citations: 12, h-index: 2

- **G Goupy**, P Tirilly, and IM Bilasco. Neuronal Competition Groups with Supervised STDP for Spike-Based Classification. *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, 38, 2024. DOI not available yet  
CORE Rank: **A\***
- **G Goupy**, P Tirilly, and IM Bilasco. Paired Competing Neurons Improving STDP Supervised Local Learning in Spiking Neural Networks. *Frontiers in Neuroscience*, 18, 2023. [doi.org/10.3389/fnins.2024.1401690](https://doi.org/10.3389/fnins.2024.1401690)  
Impact Factor: **3.6**
- **G Goupy**, A Juneau-Fecteau, N Garg, I Balafrej, F Alibart, L Frechette, D Drouin, and Y Beilliard. Unsupervised and Efficient Learning in Sparsely Activated Convolutional Spiking Neural Networks Enabled by Voltage-Dependent Synaptic Plasticity. *Neuromorphic Computing and Engineering*, 3, 2023. [doi.org/10.1088/2634-4386/acad98](https://doi.org/10.1088/2634-4386/acad98)  
Impact Factor: **5.8**

## EXTRACURRICULAR

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**Open Neuromorphic:** Active member of the [Open Neuromorphic](#) group, gave an academic talk ([to be updated](#))

**Self-hosting:** I maintain home servers on Raspberry Pis, notably for multimedia streaming and automation

**Wikipedia contributor:** I created and edited articles in areas of my expertise ([profile](#))

**Coffee:** I drink specialty coffee and have an interest in the science of coffee brewing

**Hiking:** I enjoy multi-day hikes with an emphasis on survival and bushcraft

**Music:** I play piano, mostly classical pieces and Ghibli music