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Experience

Research Engineer

BMAT

Barcelona, ES
Oct 2020 to present

- Industrial PhD on Audio Fingerprinting.
- Working on background music identification in the context of broadcast monitoring.

Research Internship

Deezer

Paris, FR
Sep 2023 to Feb 2024

- Audio Fingerprinting for DJ mixes. Robustness to extreme time-stretching.
- New hybrid approach using peaks + neural networks using contrastive learning.
- Supervisors: Benjamin Martin and Romain Hennequin.

Research Assistant

School of Informatics, University of Edinburgh

Edinburgh, GB
Jan 2020 to Aug 2020

- Assessing robustness to noise of end-to-end and cascade speech translation systems.

Software Developer

BMAT

Barcelona, ES
Mar 2018 to Jan 2020

- Developing and maintaining the app used to compile the charts in more than 30 territories.

Research Assistant

Telefónica I+D

Barcelona, ES
May 2017 to Mar 2018

- Novel biometric authentication end-to-end system using PPG biosensors and CNNs.

Education

Music Technology Group, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

PhD in Information and Communication Technologies

Barcelona, ES
Dec 2020 to present

- Dissertation: *Music Identification with Audio Fingerprinting: An Industrial Perspective*
- Supervisors: Emilio Molina (BMAT) & Xavier Serra (UPF)
- Oral defense scheduled for February 2025

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

MSc in Advanced Telecommunication Technologies

Barcelona, ES
Sep 2018 to Sep 2020

- Mention in [Deep learning for Multimedia Processing](#) [🔗](#)
- Dissertation: *Towards Robust End-to-End Speech Translation*
- Supervisors: Barry Haddow (UEDIN) & Marta R. Costa-Jussà (UPF)

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya

BSc in Telecommunications Technologies and Services Engineering

Barcelona, ES
Sep 2013 to May 2018

- Mention in [Audiovisual Systems](#) [🔗](#)
- Dissertation: End-to-End photoplethysmography-based biometric authentication system by using deep neural networks
- Supervisors: Jordi Luque (Telefónica I+D) & Antonio Bonafonte (UPC)

Escola de Música Creu Alta

Professional degree in classical guitar

Sabadell, ES
Sep 2007 to Jun 2019

Publications

4 publications under review / to be submitted

Multiple authors

BAF: An audio fingerprinting dataset for broadcast monitoring

Dec 2022

Guillem Cortès, Alex Ciurana, Emilio Molina, Marius Miron, Owen Meyers, Joren Six, Xavier Serra

[10.5281/zenodo.7372162](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7372162) [🔗](#) (ISMIR)

Soundata: Reproducible use of audio datasets

Jun 2024

Magdalena Fuentes, Genís Plaja-Roglans, *Guillem Cortès-Sebastià*, Tanmay Khandelwal, Marius Miron, Xavier Serra, Juan Pablo Bello, Justin Salamon

[10.21105/joss.06634](https://doi.org/10.21105/joss.06634) [🔗](#) (JOSS)

End-to-End Photoplethysmography (PPG) Based Biometric Authentication by Using Convolutional Neural Networks

Sep 2018

Jordi Luque, *Guillem Cortès*, Carlos Segura, Alexandre Maravilla, Javier Esteban, Joan Fabregat

[10.23919/EUSIPCO.2018.8553585](https://doi.org/10.23919/EUSIPCO.2018.8553585) [🔗](#) (EUSIPCO)

Open-source Projects I Contribute to

Mirdata

[github](#) [🔗](#)

- CI/CD GitHub Actions migration
- Increase python and OS versions coverage
- Migrating Soundata's changes to Mirdata

Soundata

[github](#) [🔗](#)

- Extend and improve documentation
- Fix the packaging
- Dataset versions handling
- Remote indexes
- CI/CD GitHub Actions migration
- Increase python and OS versions coverage

Additional Experience and Awards

Teaching: Probability hands-on sessions for the Computer Engineering Bachelor's program at UPF.

Award: Chirp challenge winner - Abbey Road Hackathon. [Press release](#) [🔗](#)

Voluntary work: *Voluntariat per la Llengua*, a program to help Catalan learners practice the language through conversation.

Filming: Worked with *Menos Cabeza Más Corazón* agency produced documentaries about Valentí Sanjuan participation in '[Ultra Sierra Nevada 2016](#) [🔗](#) and [Powerade MTB series non-stop Madrid-Lisboa 2016](#) [🔗](#)'

Other

Languages: English, Catalan, Spanish

Technologies: Python, C/C++; ML libraries (Tensorflow, PyTorch, scikit-learn, etc.), Django, SQL; Docker, AWS, git; GitHub Actions, Jenkins and circleCI;