

# **Audition Télécom Paris**

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# Resume

**Hédi HADIJI, born 25/01/1993 in Amiens, Picardie**

- *2010-2012* Prépa (MPInfo) → Ecole Polytechnique
- *2015-2016* Masters Cambridge (Analysis...)
- *2016-2017* M2 Probas-Stats at Orsay
- *2017-2020* Ph.D. at Orsay (**Gilles Stoltz** and **Pascal Massart**)
  - Multi-Armed Bandits
- *2020-2022* Postdoc at the Univ. of Amsterdam (**Tim van Erven**)
  - Online Learning



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# Research

# Adaptive Sequential Decision-Making



Study tasks in which a learner repeatedly makes decisions based on data coming in sequentially

Mathematical research... but ultimate goal is to contribute to practice

→ Need for **Adaptivity**:

Designing practical algorithms needing little manual tuning

**What assumptions on the data?**

**How much does the learner need to know about the data generating process to perform well?**

# Bandits (PhD)

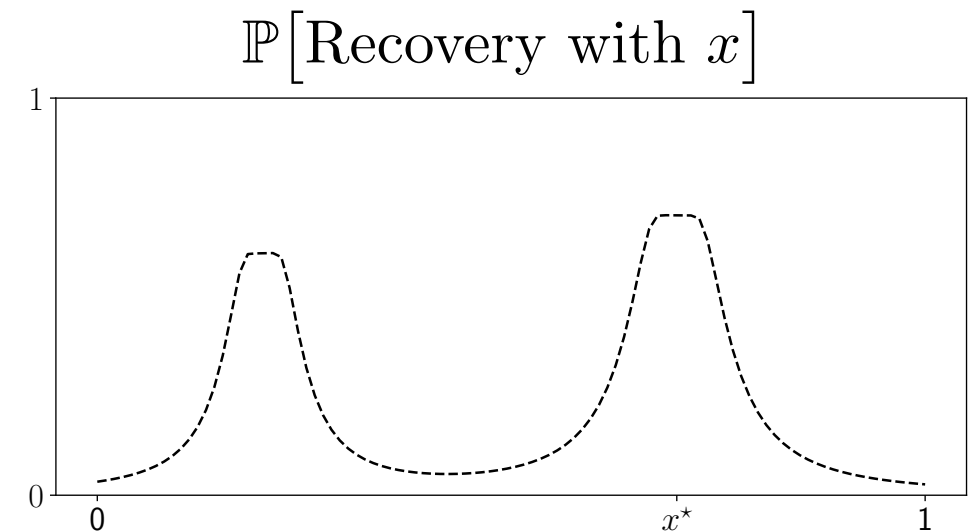
## Example: Continuous Bandits

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### Protocol: Continuous Clinical Trials

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- 1: **for**  $t = 1, \dots, T$
  - 2:     New patient comes in
  - 3:     Doctor chooses drug dosage  $x_t \in [0, 1]$
  - 4:     Observes recovery of patient
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**Goal:** Cure as many patients as possible

Toy model of fundamental and ubiquitous problem:  
**trading off between exploration and exploitation**

What if the learner does not know  
the smoothness of the recovery probability?

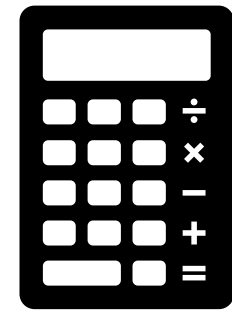
**Publications: JMLR(2), Neurips, 1 preprint**

# Online Learning (Postdoc)

## Example: Online Supervised Learning

Given dataset  $\{(x_t, y_t)\}$

Predict the label of new feature  $x_{t+1}$



No retraining the whole model from scratch when new data comes in

Under appropriate assumptions, performance guarantees  
**even when the data is not iid...** but these are pessimistic

What if the data is “close to i.i.d.”?

**Publications: ALT, COLT, Neurips(👉), ++**

# Future @ Télécom

## Roadmap: Short to Mid Term Goals

- Maintain scientific connections and develop new ones
- Continue to learn: Reinforcement Learning
- Develop practical/industrial connections
- Supervising students

**The S<sup>2</sup>A team is the perfect environment to achieve these goals**

especially within the themes  
'Apprentissage statistique' and 'Probabilités et Statistiques'

# Teaching



# Teaching Experience

- IUT de Gestion de Sceaux
- ‘Statistiques pour les biologies’ L2 de Biologie à Orsay
- ‘Statistiques’ en M1 Ensta/Orsay
- ‘Machine Learning Theory’ at the Dutch National Mastermath

Diverse backgrounds and levels of motivations  
→ various teaching challenges

# Relevant Skills

## Skills

- Experience teaching
- Broad mathematical background
- Comfortable coding in python (and R)
- Knowledge of the French system and international students

## Philosophy

- Help the students be active in their learning
- Manage confidence and motivation



# Classes I Could Teach

## Undergrad

- 1ère année: Analyse, Probabilités et statistiques
- 2e année: Filières sciences des données, Traitement du signal pour l'intelligence artificielle Mathématiques, Informatique théorique et recherche opérationnelle

## Mastères spécialisés:

- IA: (Statistique, Modèles Probabilistes et Apprentissage Automatique, Fondements de l'apprentissage statistique, Apprentissage profond, Apprentissage par renforcement
- Big Data: Statistiques, Machine Learning

**Projects are a great way to learn!**

**Thank you!**