

# Liam Ilan Toran

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*Driven Data Scientist with an international background in Research and great analytical skills. Highly motivated to dive deep in the world of Data & Analytics. Fluent in Python and Maths, with a passion for learning new things.*

## Education

### Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon (ENS Lyon)

Lyon, France

#### *Master's Degree in Applied Mathematics*

2018

- Studied courses include advanced statistics and machine learning, numerical methods, statistical physics, stochastic calculus, dynamical evolution equations, harmonic fluid dynamics and the Boltzmann gaz equation.

#### *Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science and Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics*

2016

- Studied courses include Algorithms I & II, Data Structures, Logic, Programming and Junior level classes in Physics.
- Entered ENS Lyon, a top 3 school in the field in France, through a top 0.5% ranking in nation-wide competitive exams.

## Experience

### **J.A.Dieudonné Research Institute, University of Nice Sophia Antipolis**

Nice, France

#### *Technical Research Assistant Intern, 6 months*

2019

- Simulated and analyzed Dynamical Networks, e.g. social media networks or fungus growth.
- Mastered new models and uses of stochastic and partial differential equations in population dynamics.
- Implemented state of the art numerical fluid simulation techniques and predictive models through Python.
- Solved the relationship between the physical parameters and the propagation speed for dynamical branching networks.

### **Knight Lab, Biomedical Research Institute of UCSD**

San Diego, USA

#### *Machine Learning Research Assistant Intern, 5 months*

2017

- Analyzed compositional microbiological datasets using supervised & unsupervised learning.
- Coded several new compositional statistical data analysis methods with Python & applied them to the Knight Lab datasets. Discovered the reason behind a bias that
- Co-authored a [\*research article about the horseshoe effect\*](#) (11 citations), explaining how it arises in various datasets after unsupervised SVD dimensionality reduction, and how to learn from it to **build a better metric for datasets with an underlying gradient**.

### **Inria (National Institute for Research in Computer Science and Automation)**

Grenoble, France

#### *Computer Science Research Assistant Intern, 3 months at the [\*BiPoP\*](#) team*

2016

- Modeled, simulated, optimized and controlled cloth's move simulation with implicit contact and exact friction.
- Solved and simulated use cases and prototypes of the problem in Python.
- Built a new scalable solver of the problem. Implemented it in production software using C and C++.
- The resulting solver was **ten times faster** than the previous product. This led to the following [\*research article\*](#).

## Miscellaneous

Math & Physics Teaching and Tutoring (undergraduate students)

2018 - 2019

## Professional Skills

**Software Development:** Python (Jupyter, Pandas, sklearn, Keras, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Matplotlib, ...), C, C++, SQL, Linux, Git, LaTeX, MatLab, Lisp, Excel.

**Machine Learning & Data Analysis:** Regression, Classification, Feature engineering, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Computer Vision, Scoring, Metrics, Data Visualization.

**Statistical Models:** Linear, Trees, Forests, Boosting, SVMs, Neural Networks.

**Languages:** English & French: Fluent (native)      Japanese: Basic (self-taught)

## Interests and Hobbies

Travelling the world, Sci-Fi, Mangas, Gaming, Piano (self-taught).