

# Mathieu Pont

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## Work Experience

Oct. 2024 – Ongoing	<b>Post-doctoral Position</b> <i>RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau, Germany (Scientific Visualization Lab).</i>
Dec. 2023 – Sep. 2024	<b>Post-doctoral Position</b> <i>CNRS and Sorbonne Université (LIP6).</i>
2020 (6 months)	<b>Master 2 Research Intern</b> <i>CNRS and Sorbonne Université (LIP6).</i> Title: <i>Topologically Discriminant Metric.</i> Advisor: <i>Julien Tierny.</i>
2019 (3 months)	<b>Master 1 Research Intern</b> <i>Paris Descartes University (LIPADE).</i> Title: <i>Biomedical Corpus Analysis.</i> Advisor: <i>Séverine Affeldt.</i>
2018 (3 months)	<b>Bachelor Research Intern</b> <i>Toulouse Paul Sabatier University (IRIT).</i> Title: <i>Comparison of Deep Reinforcement Learning methods with an existing Multi-Agent System.</i> Advisors: <i>Frédéric Migeon and Jérôme Mengin.</i>
2016 (3 months)	<b>DUT Research Intern</b> <i>ISAE-Supaero.</i> Title: <i>Server Room Thermal Monitoring and Evaluation of EV3 Robotic Kit.</i> Advisors: <i>Régine Leconte and Jean-François Dassieu.</i>

## Education

Oct. 2020 – Nov. 2023	<b>Ph.D. in Computer Science</b> <i>CNRS and Sorbonne Université (LIP6).</i> Title: <i>Analysis of Ensembles of Topological Descriptors.</i> Advisor: <i>Julien Tierny.</i>
2018 – 2020	<b>Master's Degree in Computer Science</b> <i>"Machine Learning for Data Science" track of Paris Descartes University.</i> Rank: <i>1 / 38 (S4) ; 1 / 37 (S3) ; 1 / 33 (S2) and 3 / 33 (S1)</i>
2016 – 2018	<b>Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science</b> <i>Toulouse Paul Sabatier University.</i> Rank: <i>4 / 152</i>
2014 – 2016	<b>DUT GEII (Electrical and Computer Science Engineering)</b> <i>Toulouse Paul Sabatier University.</i>

## Awards

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| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Best Paper Honorable Mention</b> at IEEE VIS 2023<br/><i>For the paper: "Merge Tree Geodesics and Barycenters with Path Mappings"</i></li><li>• <b>Best Paper and Presentation Award</b> at CORESA 2023<br/><i>For the talk: "Analyse en Géodésiques Principales d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)"</i></li></ul> |
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## Research

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### Thesis

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| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Analysis of Ensembles of Topological Descriptors</b><br/><u>Mathieu Pont</u><br/>Ph.D. thesis in Computer Science<br/>Committee: <i>Gabriel Peyré (President), David Coeurjolly (Reviewer), Vijay Natarajan (Reviewer), Elsa Cazelles (Examiner), Stanley Durrleman (Examiner), Roland Kwitt (Examiner), Katharine Turner (Examiner), Julien Tierny (Advisor)</i></li></ul> |
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### Publications

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| 2025 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Region-Aware Wasserstein Distances of Persistence Diagrams and Merge Trees</b><br/><u>Mathieu Pont</u> and Christoph Garth<br/>Submitted, 2025.</li></ul>   |
| 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>A Practical Solver for Scalar Data Topological Simplification</b><br/>Mohamed Kissi, <u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Joshua A. Levine and Julien Tierny<br/><i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i><br/>Proc. of IEEE VIS 2024.</li></ul>  |
| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Wasserstein Auto-Encoders of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)</b><br/><u>Mathieu Pont</u> and Julien Tierny<br/><i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i><br/>Presented at IEEE VIS 2024</li><li>• <b>Merge Tree Geodesics and Barycenters with Path Mappings</b><br/>Florian Wetzels, <u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Julien Tierny and Christoph Garth<br/><i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i><br/>Proc. of IEEE VIS 2023.<br/><b>Best Paper Honorable Mention</b></li></ul> |
| 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Principal Geodesic Analysis of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)</b><br/><u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Jules Vidal and Julien Tierny<br/><i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i><br/>Presented at IEEE VIS 2023.</li></ul>  |

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| 2021 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wasserstein Distances, Geodesics and Barycenters of Merge Trees</b><br/> <u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Jules Vidal, Julie Delon and Julien Tierny<br/> <i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i><br/> Proc. of IEEE VIS 2021.</li> </ul> |
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## Technical Reports

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| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A Hands-on TTK Tutorial for Absolute Beginners</b><br/> Christoph Garth, Robin Maack, <u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Julien Tierny, Bei Wang, Florian Wetzels, Michael Will<br/> <i>IEEE VIS Tutorials 2023</i></li> </ul>  |
| 2022 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Topological Analysis of Ensemble Scalar Data with TTK, A Sequel</b><br/> Christoph Garth, Charles Gueunet, Pierre Guillou, Federico Iuricich, Joshua Levine, Jonas Lukasczyk, <u>Mathieu Pont</u>, Julien Tierny, Jules Vidal, Bei Wang, Florian Wetzels<br/> <i>IEEE VIS Tutorials 2022</i></li> </ul> |

## Professional Service

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| Program<br>Committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>IEEE VIS Short Papers</b><br/>2025</li> </ul>   |
| Reviewer             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>La Matematica</b><br/>2024</li> <li>• <b>IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (TPAMI)</b><br/>2023</li> </ul> |

## Talks

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| 2024 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Poster: Wasserstein Auto-Encoders of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)</b><br/> Nov. 21st, CORESA</li> <li>• <b>Wasserstein Auto-Encoders of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)</b><br/> Oct. 17th, IEEE VIS</li> <li>• <b>Variability Analysis of Ensembles of Topological Descriptors</b><br/> Jul. 1st, RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau Invited Talk</li> <li>• <b>Auto-Encodeurs de Wasserstein d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)</b><br/> Jun. 18th, Journée Visu</li> <li>• <b>Auto-Encodeurs de Wasserstein d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)</b><br/> May 30th, Journée APR</li> </ul> |
| 2023 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Analysis of Ensembles of Topological Descriptors</b><br/> Dec. 1st, Ph.D. Defense</li> <li>• <b>Principal Geodesic Analysis of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)</b><br/> Oct. 26th, IEEE VIS</li> </ul>  |

2023  
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- **Tutorial: Wasserstein Distances between Persistence Diagrams in TTK**  
*Oct. 22nd, IEEE VIS*
- **Principal Geodesic Analysis of Merge Trees (and Persistence Diagrams)**  
*Oct. 16th, Pre-VIS Day*
- **Analyse en Géodésiques Principales d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)**  
*Jun. 23rd, Journée APR*
- **Analyse en Géodésiques Principales d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)**  
*Jun. 22nd, Journée Visu*
- **Analyse en Géodésiques Principales d'Arbres de Fusion (et de Diagrammes de Persistance)**  
*Jun. 8th, CORESA – Best Paper and Presentation Award!*

2022

- **Distances de Wasserstein, Géodésiques et Barycentres d'Arbres de Fusion**  
*Nov. 25th, JFIG*
- **Tutorial: Wasserstein Distances, Barycenters and Clusters of Merge Trees in TTK**  
*Oct. 17th, IEEE VIS, Recorded Talk*
- **Distances de Wasserstein, Géodésiques et Barycentres d'Arbres de Fusion**  
*Jun. 28th, Journée Visu*

2021

- **Wasserstein Distances, Geodesics and Barycenters of Merge Trees**  
*Oct. 28th, IEEE VIS, Recorded Talk*

## Teaching Experience

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2022 – 2023

- **Introduction to Programming 1**  
*~ 40h in Bachelor 1 using Python*
- **Data Structures**  
*~ 20h in Bachelor 2 using C*

2021 – 2022

- **Introduction to Programming 1**  
*~ 40h in Bachelor 1 using Python*
- **Introduction to Scientific Visualization**  
*~ 20h in Master 2 using C++ and ParaView*

2020 – 2021

- **Introduction to Scientific Visualization**  
*~ 20h in Master 2 using C++ and ParaView*
- **Introduction to Programming 2**  
*~ 40h in Bachelor 1 using C*