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Employment History

- 2021 – 2024 (36 months) **Ph.D. Researcher.** University of Lorraine, Nancy, France.
Creator of **PyGraft**, an open-source Python library (600 stars, 4,000 downloads).
- 2023 – 2023 (4 months) **Visiting Ph.D. Researcher.** University of Mannheim, Germany.
Data and Web Science Group, worked with Dr. Prof. Heiko Paulheim.
Published at **K-CAP 2023** (Florida, US) and **ESWC 2024** (Greece).
- 2021 – 2021 (6 months) **Applied Research Intern.** ERPI Laboratory, Nancy, France.
Worked on Explainable Recommender Systems.
- 2020 – 2021 (5 months) **Data Scientist Intern.** Nokia Bell Labs, Paris, France.
Worked on an improved version of DBSCAN for anomaly detection.
- 2019 – 2019 (5 months) **Machine Learning Scientist Intern.** Credit Suisse, Lausanne, Switzerland.
Developed ML models for classifying fraudulent transactions.
Deployed the model in production using Django and Flask.
- 2018 – 2018 (2 months) **Back-End Developer Intern.** Altervest Ltd, Montreal, Canada.

Education

- 2021 – 2024 **Ph.D. in Computer Science.** University of Lorraine, Nancy, France.
Ph.D. defense expected in June 2024.
Keywords: *Knowledge Graphs, Graph ML, LLMs, Neuro-symbolic AI, NLP.*
- 2020 – 2020 **Full-Stack Development Bootcamp.** Le Wagon, Nantes, France.
9-week intensive coding bootcamp.
Keywords: *HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL, Git, and Ruby.*
- 2016 – 2020 **M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics for Data Science.** Centrale Nantes, France | **Top 10%.**
Keywords: *Machine Learning, Probability, Statistics, NumPy, pandas, scikit-learn, and Tensorflow.*
- M.Sc. in Management-Engineering.** Audencia BS, Nantes, France | **Valedictorian.**
Keywords: *Quantitative Finance, Entrepreneurship, IT, Power BI, Tableau.*

Skills

- Languages **French** (native), **English** (C2), **Spanish** (C2).
- Programming **Python** (advanced), **R** (intermediate), **C/C++** (intermediate).
- Frameworks & Libraries **Hugging Face**, **NumPy**, **pandas**, **PyTorch**, **scikit-learn**.
- IT Tools **MongoDB**, **MySQL**, **PostgreSQL**, **SPARQL**, **SQL**, **PowerBI**, **Tableau**.

Awards & Publications

- Best Student Research Paper **21st Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2024).**
- Best Resource Paper **21st Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2024).**
- Best Research Paper **23rd Int. Conf. on Knowl. Engineering and Knowl. Management (EKAW 2022).**
- Ph.D. of the Year **Nominated for the best Ph.D. award (to be revealed at EGC 2025).**

Research Publications

Journal Articles

- 1 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2023). Sem@K: Is my knowledge graph embedding model semantic-aware? *Semantic Web*. doi:10.3233/SW-233508
- 2 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., & Paulheim, H.** (2023). Beyond transduction: A survey on inductive, few shot, and zero shot link prediction in knowledge graphs (under review). doi:10.48550/arXiv.2312.04997

International Conference Articles

- 1 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2024). Treat different negatives differently: Enriching loss functions with domain and range constraints for link prediction. In *The Semantic Web - 21st Int. Conf., ESWC 2024, Hersonissos, Crete, Greece, May 26 - May 30, 2024, Proceedings*. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2303.00286
- 2 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., d'Aquin, M., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2024). Pygraft: Configurable generation of synthetic schemas and knowledge graphs at your fingertips. In *The Semantic Web - 21st Int. Conf., ESWC 2024, Hersonissos, Crete, Greece, May 26 - May 30, 2024, Proceedings*. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2309.03685
- 3 **Hubert, N., Paulheim, H., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2024). Do similar entities have similar embeddings? (under review). In *The Semantic Web - 21st Int. Conf., ESWC 2024, Hersonissos, Crete, Greece, May 26 - May 30, 2024, Proceedings*. doi:10.48550/arXiv.2312.10370
- 4 **Hubert, N., Paulheim, H., Monnin, P., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2023, December). Schema First! Learn Versatile Knowledge Graph Embeddings by Capturing Semantics with MASCHInE. In *K-CAP 2023 - 12th Int. Conf. on Knowl. Capture*. doi:10.1145/3587259.3627550
- 5 **Hubert, N., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2022a, October). New Ontology and Knowledge Graph for University Curriculum Recommendation. In *ISWC 2022*. doi:https://ceur-ws.org/Vol-3254/paper349.pdf
- 6 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2022b, September). New Strategies for Training Knowledge Graph Embeddings: the Recommendation Case. In *EKAW 2022 - 23rd Int. Conf. on Knowl. Engineering and Knowl. Management*. doi:10.1007/978-3-031-17105-5_5





International Workshop Articles

- 1 **Hubert, N., Monnin, P., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2022a, October). Knowledge Graph Embeddings for Link Prediction: Beware of Semantics! In *DL4KG@ISWC 2022*. doi:https://ceur-ws.org/Vol-3342/paper-4.pdf

National Workshop Articles

- 1 **Hubert, N., Brun, A., & Monticolo, D.** (2022b, January). Vers un système de recommandation explicable pour l'orientation scolaire. In *EGC 2022*. doi:https://hal.science/hal-03559471

Teaching

2024 – 2024 (16 hours)	 Semantic Web. University of Lorraine, Nancy, France. M.Sc. Year 1 Teaching coordinator: Mathieu d'Aquin
2023 – 2024 (48 hours)	 Advanced Mathematics. Lycée Henri-Poincaré, Nancy, France. B.Sc. Year 1 Teaching coordinator: Olivier Binda
2022 – 2023 (64 hours)	 Introduction to Java Programming. University of Lorraine, Nancy, France. B.Sc. Year 1 Teaching coordinator: Vincent Thomas
2021 – 2022 (64 hours)	 Advanced Database Systems. University of Lorraine, Nancy, France. B.Sc. Year 1 Teaching coordinator: Nadia Bellalem