Paul Labonne

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I have extensive experience applying machine learning to solve complex macroeconomic challenges, with a specialty in risk and uncertainty modelling. My research has been published in leading academic journals, and I have presented my findings at over 20 international conferences.

Education

| | King's College London |
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| 2022 | PhD Economics, scholarship from ESCoE |
| | University of Warwick |
| 2016 | MSc Economics |
| | Paris School of Economics |
| 2015 | MA Economics |
| | University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne |
| 2014 | BSc Econometrics |

Work experience

| - | BI Norwegian Business School |
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| 2021 - | Postdoc |
| | Office for National Statistics |
| 2017 - 2021 | Researcher - Secondee from ESCoE |
| | King's College London |
| 2018 - 2020 | Teaching Assistant |
| | National Institute of Economic and Social Research (NIESR) |
| 2017 | Research internship |
| | European Investment Bank |
| 2017 | Graduate internship, Economics Department |

Scientific programming and software development

 $\bf R$ - created Bayes MultiMode, available on CRAN / $\bf Python$ with JAX, NumPy, pand as, PyTorch / $\bf C++$ with Rcpp and CppAD / $\bf Git$ / AWS and GCP / Unit testing / $\bf Docker$ see my Github for a full overview

Machine learning

Regression analysis / Forecasting / Nowcasting / Big data (PCA, Ridge / LASSO) / Filtering (Kalman & score driven) / Risk & uncertainty / Bootstrap, Monte Carlo / Maximum likelihood / Bayesian analysis / Backpropagation with automatic differentiation / NLP (word2vec) / Trend and seasonality / Temporal disaggregation

Languages

French (native), English (fluent)

Academic Annex - Paul Labonne

Publications

Asymmetric uncertainty: nowcasting using skewness in real-time data

International Journal of Forecasting, 2024

Bayesian mode inference for discrete distributions in economics and finance

with Jamie Cross, Lennart Hoogerheide and Herman K. van Dijk

Economics Letters, 2024

Temporal disaggregation of overlapping noisy quarterly data: Estimation of monthly output from

UK Value Added Tax data

with Martin Weale

Journal of the Royal Statistical Society A, 2020

The financial foundations of the productivity puzzle

with Jagjit S. Chadha and Amit Kara

National Institute Economic Review, 2017

Working papers

Risky news and credit market sentiment

with Leif Anders Thorsrud

BayesMultiMode: Bayesian mode inference in R

with Nalan Basturk, Jamie Cross, Peter de Knijff, Lennart Hoogerheide and Herman K. van Dijk

Peer-review activity

International Journal of Forecasting

Conference and seminar presentations

| 2024 | SNDE, Padova |
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| 2023 | SNDE, Orlando |
| | Workshop on Macroeconomic Challenges for Open Economies, Sydney |
| | Time Series and Forecasting Symposium, University of Sydney, Sydney |
| | Computational and Financial Econometrics, Berlin |
| | Workshop on Nowcasting, Paris School of Economics, Paris |
| 2021 | ESCoE Annual Conference on Economic Measurement, London |
| | 3rd QMUL Economics and Finance Workshop, London |
| | 11th ECB Conference on Forecasting Techniques, online |
| | International Symposium on Forecasting, online |
| 2019 | Workshop on Time Series Methods for Official Statistics, OECD, Paris |
| | Internal seminar, Office for National Statistics, Newport |
| | ESCoE Annual Conference on Economic Measurement, London |
| | Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Warwick University, Cover |

Royal Economic Society Annual Conference, Warwick University, Coventry Workshop on score-driven time series models, Cambridge University

Eurostat NTTS, Brussels

Research seminar, Now-casting/London Business School, London

2018 23rd Government Statistical Service Methodology Symposium, London

Research seminar, Office for National Statistics, Newport

ESCoE Annual Conference on Economic Measurement, London