

# Pierre LAFORGUE PhD Candidate in Machine Learning

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#### **Education**

## 2016 - Present Télécom Paris, Institut Polytechnique de Paris, PhD Candidate

PhD Candidate in Machine Learning under the supervision of F. d'Alché-Buc and S. Clémençon Research Interests: Learning Theory, Robust Learning, Median-of-Means, Debiasing Methods

Kernel Methods, Structured Prediction, Representation Learning, Autoencoders

Publications: [1, 2, 3, 4], Google Scholar, Github

## 2015 - 2016 ENS Cachan, Université Paris Dauphine, Master's Degree MASH

Theoretical Machine Learning master's degree (Statistical Learning, Optimization Theory, Kernel Methods), supported by applied courses (Database Marketing, Privacy and Fairness)

## 2013 - 2016 ENSAE Paris, major Data Science

French Engineering School (Grande École) specialized in Statistics and Applied Mathematics

## 2010 - 2013 Lycée Henri IV (Paris), Preparatory Classes MPSI/MP

Undergraduate courses in Mathematics and Physics to prepare nationwide competitive exams

# **Professional Experience**

## 2016 - Present Teaching Assistant at Télécom Paris

- Teach practical sessions in Machine Learning and Applied Statistics
- Scientific supervisor on Data Science projects for French companies (Safran, Bearing Point)

#### 2016 (6 months) Research Intern at Télécom Paris

- Within statistical team, under the supervision of S. Clémençon
- Research topic: Biased Stochastic Approximation of M-estimation Problems

#### 2015 (5 months) Statistical Assistant at Assistance Publique des Hôpitaux de Paris

- Birth evolution forecasting in Île-de-France (Paris region)
- Optimization of the obstetrical care services in the region

#### 2014 (4 months) Statistician at Affluences, mobile application startup

- Queuing time forecasting for the Bibliothèque Beaubourg (Paris)
- Data visualization on occupancy rates

## Skills & Languages

**Computer Skills:** Python (numpy, scikit-learn, pytorch, pandas), R

**Languages:** French (mother tongue), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)

#### **Miscellaneous**

Young Talent: Selected as a Young Talent in Big Data for the France-Netherlands Erasmus Conference (2017)

**Startups:** Involved in the development of the mobile application *Pollux Vote* (2016)

**Associations:** President of the ENSAE student *journal* (2014-2015)

## **Publications**

- [1] **P. Laforgue**\*, A. Lambert\*, L. Motte and F. d'Alché-Buc (\*equal contribution). *On the Dualization of Operator-Valued Kernel Machines*. Under review, ArXiv preprint available at arXiv:1910.04621, 2019.
- [2] **P. Laforgue** and S. Clémençon. *Statistical Learning from Biased Training Samples*. Under review, ArXiv preprint available at arXiv:1906.12304, 2019.
- [3] **P. Laforgue**, S. Clémençon and P. Bertail. *On Medians-of-(Randomized)-Pairwise Means*. In Proceedings of ICML 2019.
- [4] **P. Laforgue**, S. Clémençon and F. d'Alché-Buc. *Autoencoding any Data through Kernel Autoencoders*. In Proceedings of AISTATS 2019.

# **Others (Research)**

Oral Communications: ENBIS 2018, JDS 2018, CAp 2018, 2019, CODA 2019, Todai University of Tokyo 2019

Summer Schools: Participant to the Machine Learning Summer School (MLSS) 2019, South Africa

**Reviewing:** Official reviewer for the following conferences: NeurIPS 2019 (top 50%)