

# Thomas Debris-Alazard

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## Research Interests

**Research Area:** *Public-Key Cryptography (theory, designs, cryptanalysis, standardization) with a focus on code and lattice-based cryptography*

- **Cryptographic Designs,**
- **Cryptanalysis,**
- **Security estimates,** study of the generic decoding problem
- **Security proof,** in the classical or quantum model
- **Algorithms, Reduction** classical and quantum

## Employment

### École Polytechnique

TEACHER ASSISTANT (CHARGÉ D'ENSEIGNEMENT)

Département d'Informatique de l'École Polytechnique (DIX)

Saclay, France

Sept. 2022 - Present

### Inria Saclay

RESEARCHER SCIENTIST (CHARGÉ DE RECHERCHE)

Project-Team: Grace

Saclay, France

Sept. 2020 - Present

### Royal Holloway, University of London, UK

POSTDOC IN THE INFORMATION SECURITY GROUP

Hosted by Pr Martin R. Albrecht

London, UK

Sept. 2019 - Sept. 2020

## Education

### Inria Paris

PH.D., CODE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY: NEW APPROACHES FOR DESIGN AND PROOF ; CONTRIBUTION TO

CRYPTANALYSIS

Advisor: Pr Jean-Pierre Tillich

Paris, France

Sept. 2016 - Sept. 2019

### École Normale Supérieure de Cachan (ENS)

THESIS, CODE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY: STUDY OF A GENERIC DECODING ALGORITHM, STATISTICAL DECODING

Advisor: Pr Jean-Pierre Tillich

Paris, France

Mar. 2016 - Sept. 2016

MASTER MPRI (PARISIAN MASTER OF RESEARCH IN COMPUTER SCIENCE).

Main Topics: Cryptography, Complexity, Security reductions, Gröebner basis, Quantum algorithms

Sept. 2015 - Sept. 2016

AGRÉGATION DE MATHÉMATIQUES OPTION INFORMATIQUE.

Sept. 2014 - Sept. 2015

## Honors and Awards

2021-2024 **ANR JCJ**

COLA: AN INTERFACE BETWEEN CODE AND LATTICE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY

200 000 €

2021 **Finalist for the Cor Baayen Young Researcher Award**

ERCIM

2020 **Gilles Kahn Thesis Award**

THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF JEAN-PIERRE TILlich

Société Informatique de  
France

2019 **Best Paper Award, Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes**

THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, NICOLAS SENDRIER AND JEAN-PIERRE TILlich

Asiacrypt '19

## Scientific Publications

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- 2023    **Quantum Reduction of Finding Short Code Vectors to the Decoding Problem**    *IEEE Information Theory '23*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, MAXIME REMAUX AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2023    **On the pseudorandomness of the decoding problem via the Oracle Comparison Problem**    *Asiacrypt '23*  
MAXIME BOMBAR, ALAIN COUVREUR AND THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD
- 2023    **Smoothing codes and lattices: systematic study and new bounds**    *IEEE Information Theory '23*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, LÉO DUCAS, NICOLAS RESCH AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2022    **Statistical Decoding 2.0: Reducing Decoding to LPN**    *Asiacrypt '22*  
KEVIN CARRIER, THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, CHARLES MEYER-HILFIGER AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2022    **On Codes and Learning with Errors over Function Fields**    *Crypto '22*  
MAXIME BOMBAR, ALAIN COUVREUR AND THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD
- 2022    **An Algorithmic Reduction Theory for Binary Codes: LLL and more**    *IEEE Information Theory '22*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, LÉO DUCAS AND WESSEL P.J. VAN WOERDEN
- 2021    **Classical and Quantum algorithms for generic Syndrome Decoding problems and applications to the Lee metric**    *PQCrypto '21*  
ANDRÉ CHAILLOUX, THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND SIMONA ETINSKI
- 2020    **Tight and Optimal Reductions for Signatures based on Average Trapdoor Preimage Sampleable Functions and Applications to Code-Based Signatures**    *PKC '20*  
ANDRÉ CHAILLOUX AND THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD
- 2019    **Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes**    *Asiacrypt '19*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, NICOLAS SENDRIER AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2019    **Ternary syndrome decoding with large weights**    *SAC '19*  
RÉMI BRICOUT, ANDRÉ CHAILLOUX, THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND MATTHIEU LEQUESNE
- 2018    **Two attacks on rank metric code-based schemes: Ranksign and an identity-based-encryption scheme**    *Asiacrypt '18*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2017    **Statistical Decoding**    *ISIT '17*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH

## Preprints

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- 2022    **Worst and Average Case Hardness of Decoding via Smoothing Bounds**    *iacr.org*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND NICOLAS RESCH
- 2021    **Wavelet: Code-based postquantum signatures with fast verification on microcontrollers**    *iacr.org*  
GUSTAVO BANEGAS, THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, MILENA NEDELJKOVIĆ AND BENJAMIN SMITH
- 2020    **On the Hardness of Code Equivalence Problems in Rank Metric**    *arxiv.org*  
ALAIN COUVREUR, THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD AND PHILIPPE GABORIT
- 2019    **About Wave Implementation and its Leakage Immunity**    *iacr.org*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, NICOLAS SENDRIER AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH
- 2017    **The problem with the SURF scheme**    *arxiv.org*  
THOMAS DEBRIS-ALAZARD, NICOLAS SENDRIER AND JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH

# Teaching

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## PhD. Supervision

2023-	<b>Pierre Loisel</b> ON CODE ALGORITHMSS AND CRYPTANALYSIS	<i>with Alain Couvreur</i>
2020-2023	<b>Maxime Bombar,</b> ON STRUCTURES CODES IN CRYPTOGRAPHY	<i>with Alain Couvreur</i>

## Courses

2023-	<b>Introduction to information theory (INF563)</b> ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE
2022-	<b>Introduction to quantum computing and quantum information (INF587)</b> ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE
2021-	<b>Error-correcting codes and applications to cryptography</b> MPRI, WITH ANNE CANTEAUT AND ALAIN COUVREUR
2021-2023	<b>Post-quantum cryptography, introduction to code-based cryptography</b> ENS LYON, WITH DAMIEN STEHLÉ AND BENJAMIN WESOLOWSKI

## Tutorials

Sept. 2024	<b>Summer School IES Corsica,</b> INTRODUCTION TO CODE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY	<i>Cargèse</i>
Oct. 2023	<b>CIMPA school: mathematical aspects of post-quantum cryptography,</b> INTRODUCTION TO CODE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY	<i>Rabat</i>
Aug. 2022	<b>Summer school in post-quantum cryptography,</b> INTRODUCTION TO CODE-BASED CRYPTOGRAPHY	<i>Budapest</i>
June. 2022	<b>CIMPA: SuSAAN Summer School of Applied Arithmetic,</b> INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH VIA AN OPEN PROBLEM IN COMBINATORICS	<i>Izmir</i>

# Invited Talks

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2024	<b>Thirteenth in the series workshop Coding and Cryptography (WCC)</b>	<i>Perugia</i>
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# Program Committees

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2021-2023	<b>Gilles Kahn Award</b> SOCIÉTÉ INFORMATIQUE DE FRANCE
2022	<b>Journées Codage &amp; Cryptographie (JC2)</b>

# Presentations

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## Selected Talks at Seminars and Conferences

Oct, 2021	<b>Quantum Reduction of Finding Short Code Vectors to the Decoding Problem,</b> DAGSTUHL SEMINAR, QUANTUM CRYPTANALYSIS	<i>Dagstuhl</i>
Dec, 2019	<b>Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes,</b> ASIACRYPT 19'	<i>Kobe</i>
Sept, 2019	<b>Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes,</b> LONDON-ISH LATTICE CODING AND CRYPTO MEETINGS	<i>Imperial College, London</i>

May, 2019	<b>Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes</b> , CRYPTO MEETING	<i>ENS, Lyon</i>
Feb, 2019	<b>Wave: A New Family of Trapdoor One-Way Preimage Sampleable Functions Based on Codes</b> , CRYPTOGRAPHY SEMINAR	<i>PQShield, Oxford</i>
Dec, 2018	<b>Two attacks on rank metric code-based schemes: Ranksign and an identity-based-encryption scheme</b> , ASIACRYPT 18'	<i>Brisbane</i>
June, 2017	<b>Statistical Decoding</b> , ISIT 17'	<i>Aachen</i>

## Workshops

Sept. 2020	<b>Organization of the team Grace Seminar</b> , PRESENTATIONS: <a href="#">HERE</a>	<i>Inria Saclay</i>
Sept. 2020	<b>Workshop on Transference</b> , ORGANIZED BY LÉO DUCAS PRESENTATION: <a href="#">SMOOTHING BOUNDS FOR CODES AND LATTICES</a>	<i>CWI</i>
Sept. 2019-2020	<b>Workshop “yet another crypto reading group”</b> , ORGANIZED BY MARTIN R. ALBRECHT PRESENTATION: <a href="#">WORST-CASE HARDNESS FOR LPN AND CRYPTOGRAPHIC HASHING VIA CODE SMOOTHING</a>	<i>Royal Holloway University of London</i>
Mar. 2016	<b>Workshop “code-based cryptography”</b> , ORGANIZED BY JEAN-PIERRE TILLICH PRESENTATIONS: <a href="#">ON THE PSEUDORANDOMNESS OF THE DECODING PROBLEM VIA THE ORACLE COMPARISON PROBLEM</a> , <a href="#">STATISTICAL DECODING</a> , <a href="#">SURF : A NEW CODE-BASED SIGNATURE SCHEME</a> , <a href="#">TWO ATTACKS AGAINST SCHEMES BASED ON RANK METRIC</a> , <a href="#">NEW RESULTS ABOUT SIGNATURES BASED ON CODES</a> , <a href="#">WAVE</a> , <a href="#">WORST-CASE HARDNESS FOR LPN AND CRYPTOGRAPHIC HASHING VIA CODE SMOOTHING</a> , <a href="#">AN ALGORITHMIC REDUCTION THEORY FOR BINARY CODES: LLL AND MORE</a> , <a href="#">QUANTUM REDUCTION OF FINDING SHORT CODE VECTORS TO THE DECODING PROBLEM</a> , <a href="#">SMOOTHING BOUNDS: FROM LATTICES TO CODES AND BACK TO LATTICES</a>	<i>Inria Paris</i>

## Scientific Popularization

2021	<b>Rendez-vous des Jeunes Mathématiciennes et Informaticiennes, Fête de la science à l'école Polytechnique, Olympiades de Mathématiques de l'Académie de Créteil</b>
2018	<b>International Tournament of Young Mathematicians (Jury Member)</b>
2018	<b>Tournoi Français des Jeunes Mathématiciennes et Mathématiciens (Jury Member)</b>
2018	<b>Rendez-vous des Jeunes Mathématiciennes et Informaticiennes</b>

## Skills

<b>Programming</b>	C, Java, Python, jJkiloMagma, SageMath
<b>Languages</b>	French (native), English (fluent)

## Reviews

2022	<b>Asiacrypt, DCC, AMC, PQCrypto, JoC, ANR</b>
2021	<b>Eurocrypt, Crypto, CTRSA, DCC, ISIT, PQCrypto, ANR, IMACC, AMC, Latincrypt</b>
2020	<b>AMC, ITW, IEEE</b>
2019	<b>Eurocrypt, ISIT, DCC, PKC</b>
2018	<b>PQCrypto, WCC</b>
2017	<b>C2SI</b>