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Research interests

My research focuses on the training of **sparse deep neural networks**. Currently, I am studying it through the lens of **sparse matrix factorization**, a simpler but already involved question. My primary objectives are:

- **Accelerate** current algorithms to train sparse neural networks.
- Develop a **mathematical framework** to understand the **optimization**, **generalization**, and **limitation** of neural networks.

Education

Sep 2020 – **Ph.D. Student**, *Computer Science Laboratory, ENS de Lyon, Lyon, France*

Sep 2023 Supervisors: **Rémi Gribonval** and **Elisa Riccietti**

(Expected) Subject: **Sparse matrix factorization and beyond**

- **Algorithmic** and **mathematical** aspects of the **sparse matrix factorization problem**.
- Connection between **sparse matrix factorization** and **sparse deep neural networks**.

Sep 2017 – **License 3 - Master 2**, *ENS de Paris, Paris, France*

Aug 2020 ○ **License 3**: **Program L3 Computer Science**

ENS de Paris

○ **Master 1**: **Parisian Master of Research in Computer Science**

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○ **Master 2**: **Master Mathematics, Vision and Machine Learning**

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Sep 2014 – **Undergraduate**, *Hanoi University of Science and Technology, Hanoi, Vietnam*

Aug 2017 Program: **Talented Engineering of Information and Technology**

Research Internship

Apr 2020 – **Multi-layer sparse matrix factorization**, *Team DANTE, ENS de Lyon, Lyon*

Aug 2020 Supervisor: Rémi Gribonval - You can find my internship report [here](#)

Feb 2019 – **Domain Adaptation and Transfer Learning**, *Team MLIA, LIP6, Paris*

Jun 2019 Supervisor: Mathieu Cord - LIP6, Sorbone University

Jun 2018 – **Quantum computing and optimization**, *Team MC2, ENS de Lyon, Lyon*

Aug 2018 Supervisor: Omar Fawzi - LIP, ENS de Lyon.

Feb 2016 – **Evolutionary Algorithms and applications in Wireless Sensor Network**, *MSO*

May 2017 *Laboratory, School of Information and Communication Technology, Hanoi*

Supervisor: Huynh Thi Thanh Binh - SolCT, Hanoi University of Science and Technology.

Publications

- [1] **Q-T., Le, E., Riccietti, R., Grivonval, [Spurious Valleys, NP-hardness, and Tractability of Sparse Matrix Factorization With Fixed Support](#)**, *SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications*, 2022
- [2] **Q-T., Le, L., Zheng, E., Riccietti, R., Grivonval, [Fast learning of fast transforms, with guarantees](#)**, *ICASSP 2022 - IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, Singapore, Singapore, May 2022*
- [3] **Q-T., Le and R., Gribonval, [Structured Support Exploration for Multi-layer Sparse Matrix Factorization](#)**, *ICASSP 2021 - IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, June 2021*
- [4] **T-H., Nguyen, T-H., Nguyen, T-T-B., Huynh, E., Kurniawan and Q-T., Le, [Connectivity optimization problem in vehicular mobile Wireless Sensor Networks](#)**, *2016 International Conference on Computational Intelligence and Cybernetics, Makassar, Indonesia, Nov 2016*

--- Talks and Presentations

- Sep 2022 **Sparse Matrix Factorization and Beyond**, [Workshop MIA-MIVA](#), Sophia-Antipolis, France
- Jun 2022 **From hardness to efficiency in sparse deep network training**, [SNN Workshop](#), virtual
- May 2022 **NP-hardness, Tractability and Landscape of Fixed Support Matrix Factorization**, [Journée SMAI-MODE](#), Limoges, France
- Apr 2022 **Fixed support matrix factorization**, [Seminar ARIC](#), ENS de Lyon, Lyon, France
- June 2021 **Fixed support matrix factorization is NP hard**, [GdR ISIS thematic day: Theory of deep learning](#), virtual

--- Honor and awards

- 2012-2013 **Third Prize in Vietnamese Mathematics Olympiads**
- 2013-2014 **First Prize in Vietnamese Mathematics Olympiads**
- 2014 **Le Van Thiem Award**
This prize is annually given to two or four students and teachers to recognize their achievements in teaching and studying of mathematics by Vietnamese Mathematical Society.
- 2014-2015 **Special Prize in Vietnamese Mathematics Olympiads for Undergraduate**
Special Prize is only given to students who obtain two First Prizes or achieve the highest score in Algebra and Analytics Section.
- Nov 2016 **Consolation Prize in Samsung Software Challenges**

--- Other skills

- Programming **C, C++, Python, Java, Ocaml**
- Language **Vietnamese** (Mother tongue), **English** (6.5 IELTS), **French** (B1 - B2 TCF)
- Operating System **Windows, MacOS, Ubuntu, Debian**