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PhD candidate in applied Bayesian statistics

Research in Bayesian statistics, sensitivity analysis and uncertainty quantification.

## Professional experience

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**2022-2025 PhD candidate - research associate** - CEA, Paris-Saclay (France)

*Research on Bayesian learning for seismic risk assessment studies in the nuclear industry.*

**2021-2022 Data Scientist** - EDF China, Beijing (China)

*Research & Development on Machine Learning projects within the Digital Innovation team of EDF China.*

**2021 Research intern in Bayesian statistics** - CEA, Paris-Saclay (France)

*Research subject: 'Objective prior construction for Bayesian estimation of seismic fragility curves'.*

**2019 Research intern in Deep Learning** - Institute of Industry and Sciences, Guangzhou (China)

*Research subject: 'Surface mesh generation based on segmentation via Deep Learning'.*

**2018 Research intern in applied mathematics** - CMLA, Cachan (France)

*Research subject: 'Systemic risk control in financial networks'.*

## Education

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**2022-2025 PhD** - Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau (France)

*Thesis subject: 'Bayesian estimation of the seismic fragility for industrial structures and equipment'. Supervised by Josselin Garnier. Collaboration with CEA (French atomic energy commission).*

**2020-2021 Master's degree MVA** - Université Paris-Saclay, Paris-Saclay (France)

*Master's degree 'Mathématiques Vision Apprentissage'. Training in applied maths to statistical learning.*

**2017-2021 Normalien** - Ecole Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay, Paris-Saclay (France)

*4 years graduate program which aims at training high level researchers in sciences. (2020) Laureate of the 'agregation' competitive examination in mathematics, ranked 3rd.*

**2014-2017 Classes préparatoires** - Lycées Daudet & Champollion, Nîmes & Grenoble (France)

*Post-secondary intensive program in sciences to pass competitive examination for graduate schools.*

**2014 High School diploma** - Lycée Saint-Stanislas, Nîmes (France)

## Teaching

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**2022-2025 Teaching assistant in mathematics** - Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau (France)

**2019-2021 Examiner in mathematics** - Lycée Saint-Louis, Paris (France)

## Publications

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### Regular papers

**2025 A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Gauchy, C. Feau and J. Garnier, [Robust a posteriori estimation of probit-lognormal seismic fragility curves via sequential design of experiments and constrained reference prior](#), *arXiv.2503.07343*. 2025.

**2025 N. Baillie**, **A. Van Biesbroeck** and C. Gauchy, [Variational inference for approximate reference priors using neural networks](#), *arXiv.2502.02364*. 2025.

**2024 A. Van Biesbroeck**, [Properly constrained reference priors decay rates for efficient and robust posterior inference](#), *arXiv.2409.13041*. 2024.

**2024 A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Gauchy, C. Feau and J. Garnier, [Design of experiments based on a low fidelity model for seismic fragility curves estimation](#), *ESAIM: ProcS*. 2024.

**2023 A. Van Biesbroeck**, [Generalized mutual information and their reference priors under Csizar f-divergence](#), *arXiv.2310.10530*. 2023.

**2023 A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Gauchy, C. Feau and J. Garnier, [Reference prior for Bayesian estimation of seismic fragility curves](#), *Probabilistic Engineering Mechanics*, 76. 2024.

**2021 A. Van Biesbroeck**, F. Shang and D. Bassir, [CAD Model Segmentation Via Deep Learning](#), *International Journal of Computational Methods*, 18.3. 2021.

## Proceedings

- 2023** C. Gauchy, **A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Feau and J. Garnier, [Inférence variationnelle de lois a priori de référence](#), *Proceedings des 54èmes Journées de Statistiques (JdS)*. 2023.
- 2023** **A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Gauchy, J. Garnier and C. Feau, [Connections between reference prior theory and global sensitivity analysis, an illustration with f-divergences](#), *Proceedings des 54èmes Journées de Statistiques (JdS)*. 2023.
- 2023** **A. Van Biesbroeck**, C. Gauchy, C. Feau and J. Garnier, [Influence of the choice of the seismic intensity measure on fragility curves estimation in a Bayesian framework based on reference prior](#), *Proceedings of the 5th Thematic Conference on Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Sciences and Engineering (UNCECOMP)*. 2023.

## Contributions in international conference

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- 2025** **AICOMAS** (1st ECCOMAS Artificial Intelligence and Computational Methods in Applied Science). [Contributed talk](#). Paris, France. 20 Feb. 2025.
- 2024** **ISBA** (ISBA world meeting). [Poster](#). Venice, Italy. 4 Jul. 2024.
- 2024** **SIAM UQ** (SIAM Conference on Uncertainty Quantification). [Contributed talk](#). Trieste, Italy. 1 Mar. 2024.
- 2023** **UNCECOMP** (5th ECCOMAS Thematic conference on Uncertainty Quantification in Computational Sciences and Engineering). [Contributed talk and proceeding](#). Athens, Greece. 13 Jun. 2023.

## Contributions in main national conferences

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- 2024** **JdS** (55èmes Journées de Statistique de la SFDS). [Contributed talk](#). Université de Bordeaux, France. 27 May 2024.
- 2024** **RJS** (Rencontres des Jeunes Statisticiens). [Contributed talk](#). Porquerolles, France. 2 Apr. 2024.
- 2024** **MASCOT-NUM** (Méthodes d'Analyse Stochastique pour les Codes et Traitements Numériques). [Poster](#). Giens, France. 3 Apr. 2024.
- 2023** **SEISM** (Seismology and earthquake engineering for risk assessment). [Contributed talk](#). EDF, Palaiseau, France. 1 Dec. 2023.
- 2023** **CJC-MA** (Congrès des Jeunes Chercheurs en Mathématiques Appliquées). [Contributed talk](#). CentraleSupélec, Gif-sur-Yvette, France. 25 Sep. 2023.
- 2023** **JdS** (54èmes Journées de Statistique de la SFDS). [Contributed talk and proceeding](#). ULB, Brussels, Belgium. 6 Jul. 2023.
- 2023** **MASCOT-NUM** (Méthodes d'Analyse Stochastique pour les Codes et Traitements Numériques). [Poster](#). Le Croisic, France. 5 Apr. 2023.
- 2022** **AppliBUGS** (Applications du Bayesian Unified Group of Statisticians). [Contributed talk](#). Villeurbanne, France. 6 Jun. 2022.

## Grants and awards

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- 2024** **ISBA travel award** - The International Society for Bayesian Analysis
- 2024** **ISAS best oral award** - Science days of ISAS, CEA (French atomic energy commission)
- 2024** **SIAM student travel award** - Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
- 2022** **CFR grant for doctoral studies** - CEA (French atomic energy commission)
- 2017** **Normalien civil servant grant** - ENS Paris-Saclay

## Additional skills

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**Programming** Proficiency in **LaTeX** and **Python**.

**Languages** **French** (Native), **English** (Cambridge Advanced English grade C), **Chinese** (Notions).

## Involvement

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- 2024-2025** PhD student representative at the CMAP lab council.
- 2023-2024** PhD student representative at the EDMH doctoral school council.
- Since 2020** Co-founder and vice president of the Delaney Automobile Club.