# NADHIR HASSEN

### **Graduate Student**

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♥ Montreal, QC

## **EXPERIENCE**

### Research Thesis - University of Montreal-Polytechnique

### **Topic: Approximate Inference for Bayesian Neural Network**

Expected August 2021

♥ Montreal, QC

### Research Student - IBM-Canada-Mila Quebec

# Project: Bayesian Deep Learning Workflows Through Hyperparameter Optimization

March 2020- Current

♥ Montreal, QC

- Search new idea to optimise and automate ML algorithm for Orion Project.
- Efficiently tune machine learning using Hyperparameter optimisation for neural networks.
- Research paper review relevant to Bayesian optimisation.
- Algorithm developement using Pytorch/GPy/BackPACK.

#### **Teacher Assistant**

#### Stochastic Process - MTH8303

# Fall 2021-Lecture note preparation ♥ Montreal, QC

- Application of Stochastic Processes for Science and Engineering (Graduate level)
- Include: Markov chain, Markov Decision Process, Signal Processing, Birth-Death process, Renewal Theory.

#### **Teacher Assistant**

### **Probability and Statistics for Engineering-MTH2302**

₩ Winter 2020, Fall 2021

Polytechnique Montreal, QC

• Probability and Stochastic process (undergraduate level)

# Undergraduate Research Project - UQÀM

### Semi-parametric optimization for yield curve estimation

April-June 2019

Montreal, QC

- Use of Optimization techniques using Constrained Least-square methods.
- Estimating the Yield Curve using the Nelson-Siegel Model.
- Use of different library packages including cvxopt in Python programming language.

### Quantitative Analyst Intern

### Fiera Capital

May 2018 - June 2019

Montreal, QC

- Analysis of financial time series, clustering methods and forecasting.
- Produce client segmentation analysis for churn prediction using supervised and unsupervised methods.
- Perform data cleaning and produce statistical report for Risk management department.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- Nadhir Hassen et al 2021, Kronecker-factored approximation (KFAC) of the Laplace-GGN for Continual Learning (under review)
- Xavier Bouthillier, Nadhir Hassen, Lin Dong, Christopher Beckham et.al,
   Orion: Asynchronous Distributed Hyperparameter Optimization (Journal of Machine Learning Research)

## **EDUCATION**

M.Sc. in Applied Mathematics (Research)

### **Polytechnique Montreal**

Fall 2019-August 2021 (Expected)

B.S. in Mathematics (Statistics major)

UQAM

₩ June 2019

# CLASS CURRICULUM SAMPLE

### **University of Montreal**

- Pobabilistic Graphical Model (Fall 2021)
- Reinforcement Learning (Winter 2020)
- Optimization/Dynamic Programming (Fall 2019)
- Representation Learning-Deep Learning (Winter 2020)
- Continual Learning (Winter 2021)

# Languages

English French German

