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EDUCATION		
2017-2018	MVA - Ecole Normale Supérieure Paris-Saclay, Cachan, France Master's degree in <i>Applied Mathematics, Machine Learning and Computer Vision</i> (Graduated with highest honours) Reinforcement Learning, Learning Theory, Computer Vision, Probabilistic Graphical Models, Bandits, Kernels.	
2014-2018	<i>Ecole Polytechnique</i> , Palaiseau, France Master's degree in Applied Mathematics - <i>Statistics, Machine Learning, Operations Research and Optimisation.</i> Acquired solid background in Mathematics ranging from Dynamical Systems to Stochastic Models in Finance, with a strong focus on Statistics, Probabilities, Machine Learning, Optimisation.	
2011-2014	Lycée Sainte-Geneviève, Versailles, France Attended a top French institution dedicated to the preparation for entrance exams to French Engineering Schools.	
PROJECTS		
2017-2018	Kernel Methods for Machine Learning, Decease prediction from genetic data Implemented kernel methods from scratch (using only Python librairies for optimization solvers) to predict decease from genetic data. Understood the theory of Kernels in Machine Learning and was able to re-implement known learning algorithms such as SVM and Ridge Regression for kernel methods.	
	Computer Vision and Object Recognition, <i>Generative Adversarial Networks</i> Understood the GAN theory presented in very recent papers (2016-2017) and trained GANs to generate paintings from photographs and photographs from paintings using Cycle-GANs, as well as photos from night to day and day to night. Implemented Wasserstein Loss to produce better output results.	
	Reinforcement Learning , <i>Intrinsically Motivated R</i> Reviewed five different papers so as to try to show he naturally induces a curriculum of gradually more diffic	ow giving an RL agent intrinsic reward (via its surprise) actually
2016-2017	NLP and Text Mining , <i>Paper citations prediction challenge</i> As part of the NLP and text mining course, developed a predictive model to accurately predict if given articles would cite or not other articles. Achieved 0.975 F1-score on testing set, 3rd best score of the class.	
WORK EXPERI	ENCE	
Oct. 2020 -	PhD graduate student, <i>Université Paris-Saclay</i> , Pa Working on a mathematical theory of deep and inf Chizat and Christophe Giraud.	aris ïnitely-wide neural networks under the supervision of Lénaïc
Feb. 2019 - Sept 2020		tion-based models to deliver better size advice to customers. arch, and the design and implementation of algorithms.
April 2018- Sept. 2018	Research Intern in Deep Reinforcement Learning , <i>InstaDeep</i> , London Conducted research on developing methods for solving single-player games using self-play reinforcement learning with neural networks and Monte Carlo tree search.	
April 2017- July 2017	NLP Research Intern, <i>Proxem,</i> Paris Worked on Unsupervised Learning techniques in Topic Modeling to automatically extract content from unstructured textual data. Worked from the <i>Latent Dirichlet Allocation</i> as first model and developed further generative graphical models to extract topics/themes out of corpora, extract specific aspects of those topics, and detect positive or negative sentiment polarities towards those topics.	
June 2016- Aug. 2016	Data Scientist Intern, <i>Turo,</i> San Francisco Designed a car recommendation engine based on a graph database which had to be built from scratch and updated every day. Learned to handle autonomously a Data Science project in a demanding and challenging start- up environment.	
SKILLS & EXTR	A CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Programming	Python, R, Go, C#, Java, C++, Matlab, SQL, CQL (Cypher Query Language). [link to GitHub page in the header]	
Languages	French (mother tongue), English (fluent) : TOEFL 114/120, Spanish (intermediate).	
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Activities Music : electric guitar player, rock music lover. *Sports*: table tennis 12 years, competed in French national championships. Played in Polytechnique's football team. *Abroad experience*: attended school in Guernsey at the age of ten.