

JEAN MERCAT

AI Research Scientist

I am looking to push the quickly evolving state-of-the-art in machine learning research and application to advance capabilities and understanding of large language models and multi-modal models.

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EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Research Scientist

Toyota Research Institute

 Jul 2021 - Present  Los Altos, CA

- Research in LLMs, VLMs, and applications in Robotics
- Pre-training LLMs (up to 7B for 1T tokens), multi-modal models
- Manage interns and university collaborators

 **Publications** [COLM 2024](#)(in review) [NeurIPS 2024](#), [NeurIPS 2024](#), [RSS 2024](#), [NeurIPS 2023](#), [CoRL 2022](#), [ICRA 2022](#), [ICLR 2022](#)

Ph.D. Road Scene Motion Forecasting

Renault & Paris Saclay University

 Sep 2017 - Mar 2021  Paris



- Road scene **data analysis** and pre-processing
- **Neural networks** for time series (RNN, CNN, VAE, Attention)
- Research and applications

 **First place** [Argoverse Motion Forecasting Competition](#)
Won twice: [NeurIPS 2019](#) and [CVPR 2020](#)

 **Publications** [ArXiv](#), [IQPC 2019](#), [NeurIPS 2019](#), [ICRA 2020](#)

Data Engineer



Inria

 2017 (9 months)  Bordeaux

- **C++/PostgreSQL** interface OOP
- **Medical data** processing (DICOM)
- Interdisciplinarity between **computer science** and **medicine**

Research Engineer

Bordeaux University

 2016 (12 months)  Bordeaux

- **Image processing** in C++, Qt, Cimg
- Anisotropic annealing **simulation**
- Interdisciplinarity between **computer science** and **chemistry**

 **Teaching** 22h Fortran tutorial at ENSEIRB-MatMeca

 **Publication** [Macromolecular rapid communications](#)

Research Intern

M2P2

 2015 (6 months)  Marseilles

- MPI Fortran HPC
- Lattice Boltzman **simulation**, two-phase fluid and solid interaction
- Interdisciplinarity between **computer science**, **physics** and **biology**

 **Publications** [APS 2015](#), [ICTAM 2016](#)



SKILLS

LLM/VLM Multi-node training
Machine Learning Scientific Computing
Teamwork Interdisciplinarity

FEAT. PUBLICATIONS

[Linearizing Large Language Models](#) First author, COLM 2024(under review)
[Language models scale reliably with over-training and on downstream tasks](#) NeurIPS 2024
[DataComp-LM: In search of the next generation of training sets for language models](#) NeurIPS 2024

OPEN SOURCE

 **GitHub**
Contribution: [LLM training](#)
Pytorch: [Linearizing LLMs](#), [Risk-Aware Prediction](#), [Kalman Forecast](#)
C/C++: [MMG](#), [LBM](#)
 [Mamba-7b Mistral-SUPRA](#)
[Risk Aware Prediction](#)

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HOBBIES

Paragliding Audio books Rock climbing
Science DIY Outdoors