





# PIERRE FERNANDEZ

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## EXPERIENCE

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### Meta & Inria, PhD student

2022 – present

FAIR Paris team & Linkmedia team at Inria

Rennes & Paris, France

Primary contributor to moderation and AI safety research

- First author of publications in top venues including ICCV, ICASSP and ICLR
- Impact across research projects (Seamless, Audiobox) and production (watermarking for Meta's image models and IG moderation)
- Miscellaneous: developed video and image classification fine-tuning and evaluation for big vision models (DINOv2)

### Meta, AI Research Intern

May 2021 – Sep. 2021

FAIR Paris team, advised by Hervé Jégou, Matthijs Douze and Alexandre Sablayrolles

Remote, France

- Research on image watermarking using pretrained self-supervised image models, led to an oral presentation at ICASSP

### Dassault Systemes, AI Research Intern

Apr. 2020 – Aug. 2020 & Sep. 2021 – Dec. 2021

World leader company in 3D design & engineering software

Vélizy, France

- Research on differentiable physics for robotics and structural optimization (using Jax and Taichi)
- Topics: automatic differentiation, physics simulation, topology optimization, genetic algorithms (NEAT, CMA-ES)

### Incepto Medical, Software Engineer Intern

Jul. 2019 – Sep. 2019

Start-up developing and gathering AI applications for medical imaging

Station F - Paris, France

- Developed a visualization tool to analyze annotations and results of deep learning algorithms (in AngularJS)

### NeuroSpin, Neural Representation of Temporal Sequences (Neuroscience)

Aug. 2018 – May. 2019

Scientific group project at Polytechnique - team of 6 students - 1 day/ week

Saclay, France

Goal: Understand how the brain encodes temporal sequences and patterns

- Conceived a grammar encoding of sequences, developed a smartphone app experiment (ReactJS), analyzed the results
- Nominated for best project (top 10%)

## EDUCATION

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### Meta AI & Inria, PhD in Mathematics and Computer Science

2021 – present

Advisors: Teddy Furon (Inria) & Hervé Jégou (prev. Meta AI), Matthijs Douze (Meta AI)

Rennes & Paris, France

### Paris-Saclay University, MSc in Mathematics, Vision and Learning ("MVA")

2020 – 2021

World's best university in Mathematics in Shanghai's ranking 2021 - with Highest Honors, GPA: 4.0/4.0

Paris, France

### École des Ponts ParisTech, Double Degree: Masters in Mathematical Engineering

2020 – 2021

Relevant coursework: Law, Accounting, Project with Renault: OCR integration in cars navigation system

Remote, France

### École polytechnique, BSc & MScT in Artificial Intelligence and Visual Computing

2017 – 2021

France's best engineering school - with Highest Honors, GPA: 3.95/4.0

Palaiseau, France

Awards:

- Outstanding Investment & Outstanding Leadership for involvement in school community life
- Research Internship Award in Computer Science for my first internship at Dassault Systemes (top 5%)
- Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> at the entrance exams

### Stanislas, Physics and Chemistry

2015 – 2017

Two-year intensive program for the entrance exams to top French Engineering schools

Paris, France

## PUBLICATIONS

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– First author publications

### Functional Invariants to Watermark Large Transformers,

September 2023

Pierre Fernandez, Guillaume Couairon, Teddy Furon, Matthijs Douze

International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)

### Three Bricks to Consolidate Watermarks for Large Language Models,

August 2023

Pierre Fernandez, Antoine Chaffin, Karim Tit, Vivien Chappellier, Teddy Furon

International Workshop on Information Forensics and Security (WIFS)

<b>The Stable Signature: Rooting Watermarks in Latent Diffusion Models,</b> <i>Pierre Fernandez, Guillaume Couairon, Hervé Jégou, Matthijs Douze and Teddy Furon</i> International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)	<b>March 2023</b>
<b>Active Image Indexing,</b> <i>Pierre Fernandez, Hervé Jégou, Matthijs Douze and Teddy Furon</i> International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)	<b>October 2022</b>
<b>Watermarking Images in Self-Supervised Latent Spaces,</b> <i>Pierre Fernandez, Alexandre Sablayrolles, Teddy Furon, Hervé Jégou and Matthijs Douze</i> International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP) – <i>Other publications</i>	<b>May 2022</b>
<b>Seamless: Multilingual Expressive and Streaming Speech Translation,</b> <i>Seamless Communication et al.</i> CoRR, arXiv	<b>December 2023</b>
<b>A Handbook of Self-Supervised Learning,</b> <i>Randall Balestriero et al.</i> CoRR, arXiv	<b>March 2023</b>
<b>DINOv2: Learning Robust Visual Features without Supervision,</b> <i>Maxime Oquab et al.</i> Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)	<b>March 2023</b>

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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<b>Languages</b>	French, Spanish (Working proficiency), English (Working proficiency: TOEFL 110/120 - TOEIC 970/990)
<b>Programming</b>	Python (PyTorch, Jax), JavaScript (React, AngularJS, ThreeJS, D3), HTML, SQL <sup>(-)</sup> , C++ <sup>(-)</sup> , Java <sup>(-)</sup>
<b>Sport</b>	Tennis, Climbing, Running
<b>Reviewer</b>	CVPR (2022, 2023), IJCV