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## Education

- 2015–2018 **PhD, Electrical Engineering**, Polytechnique Montréal and Université de Bordeaux, codirec, Polar Decoding on programmable architectures, *defended on 2018-12-13*.  
Forward Error Correction, Polar Codes, Software Implementations, Hardware Implementations, ASIP
- 2012–2015 : **Master of Engineering, Embedded Electronics**, Bordeaux INP, ENSEIRB-Matmeca, Bordeaux.

## Publications

### Journal Articles

- 2022 Hugo Tessier, Vincent Gripon, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Matthieu Arzel, Thomas Hannagan, and David Bertrand. Rethinking Weight Decay for Efficient Neural Network Pruning. *Journal of Imaging*, volume 8, page 64. MDPI, March 2022.
- 2022 Khaled Alhaj Ali, Amer Baghdadi, Elsa Dupraz, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Mostafa Rizk, and Jean-Philippe Diguët. MOL-based In-Memory Computing of Binary Neural Networks. *IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) Systems*, volume 30. IEEE, July 2022.
- 2019 **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Adrien Cassagne, Camille Leroux, Christophe Jégo, Louis-Philippe Hamelin, and Yvon Savaria. Fast and Flexible Software Polar List Decoders. *Journal of Signal Processing Systems*. Springer, January 2019.
- 2019 Alireza Ghaffari, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Adrien Cassagne, Camille Leroux, and Yvon Savaria. Toward High-Performance Implementation of 5G SCMA Algorithms. *IEEE Access*, volume 7, pages 10402–10414. IEEE, January 2019.
- 2019 Adrien Cassagne, Olivier Hartmann, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Kun He, Camille Leroux, Romain Tajan, Olivier Aumage, Denis Barthou, Thibaud Tonnelier, Vincent Pignoly, Bertrand Le Gal, and Christophe Jégo. AFF3CT: A Fast Forward Error Correction Toolbox! *SoftwareX*, volume 10, page 100345. Elsevier, July 2019.

### In Conference Proceedings

- 2023 Hugo Le Blevec, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Hugo Tessier, and Matthieu Arzel. Pipelined Architecture for a Semantic Segmentation Neural Network on FPGA. In *IEEE 30th International Conference on Electronics, Circuits and Systems (ICECS)*, Istanbul, Turkey, December 2023.
- 2023 Lucas Grativol Ribeiro, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Guillaume Muller, Fresse Virginie, and Matthieu Arzel. Federated learning compression designed for lightweight communications. In *IEEE 30th International Conference on Electronics, Circuits and Systems*, Istanbul, Turkey, December 2023.
- 2023 Lucas Grativol, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Guillaume Muller, Virginie Fresse, and Matthieu Arzel. Compression de réseaux de neurones pour l'apprentissage fédéré. In *XXIXème Colloque GRETSI*, Grenoble, France, August 2023.

- 2023 Darshan C Ganji, Saad Ashfaq, Ehsan Saaboori, Sudhakar Sah, Saptarshi Mitra, Mohammadhossein Askarihemmat, Alexander Hoffmann, Ahmed Hassanien, and **Léonardon, Mathieu**. DeepGEMM: Accelerated Ultra Low-Precision Inference on CPU Architectures using Lookup Tables. In *CVPRW 2023: IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshops*, Vancouver, Canada, June 2023.
- 2022 Hamoud Younes, Hugo Le Blevec, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, and Vincent Gripon. Inter-Operability of Compression Techniques for Efficient Deployment of CNNs on Microcontrollers. In *SYSINT 2022: International Conference on System-Integrated Intelligence*, volume 546 of *Lecture Notes in Networks and Systems book series (LNNS)*, pages 543–552, Genova, Italy, September 2022. Springer International Publishing.
- 2022 Hugo Tessier, Vincent Gripon, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Matthieu Arzel, Thomas Hannagan, and David Bertrand. Élagage de réseaux profond de neurones par dégradation sélective des pondérations. In *GRETSI 2022 : 28ème colloque du Groupement de Recherche en Traitement du Signal et des Images*, Nancy, France, September 2022.
- 2022 Hugo Tessier, Vincent Gripon, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Matthieu Arzel, David Bertrand, and Thomas Hannagan. Leveraging Structured Pruning of Convolutional Neural Networks. In *SiPS 2022: IEEE Workshop on Signal Processing Systems*, pages 1–6, Rennes, France, November 2022.
- 2022 Hugo Tessier, Vincent Gripon, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Matthieu Arzel, David Bertrand, and Thomas Hannagan. Investigating the Not-So-Obvious Effects of Structured Pruning. In *ICML 2022 - Hardware-aware efficient training (HAET)*, Baltimore, United States, July 2022.
- 2022 Hugo Tessier, Vincent Gripon, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Matthieu Arzel, David Bertrand, and Thomas Hannagan. Energy Consumption Analysis of pruned Semantic Segmentation Networks on an Embedded GPU. In *SYSINT 2022: International Conference on System-Integrated Intelligence*, volume 546 of *International Conference on System-Integrated Intelligence*, pages 553–563, Genova, Italy, September 2022. Springer.
- 2021 **Léonardon, Mathieu** and Vincent Gripon. Using Deep Neural Networks to Predict and Improve the Performance of Polar Codes. In *ISTC 2021: 11th IEEE International Symposium on Topics in Coding*, Montréal, Canada, August 2021.
- 2021 Adrien Cassagne, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Romain Tajan, Camille Leroux, Christophe Jégo, Olivier Aumage, and Denis Barthou. A Flexible and Portable Real-time DVB-S2 Transceiver using Multicore and SIMD CPUs. In *The 11th IEEE International Symposium on Topics in Coding (ISTC 2021)*, Montréal, Canada, August 2021.
- 2018 **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Camille Leroux, Pekka Jaaskelainen, Christophe Jégo, and Yvon Savaria. Transport Triggered Polar Decoders. In *2018 IEEE 10th International Symposium on Turbo Codes & Iterative Information Processing (ISTC)*, pages 1–5, Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR China, December 2018. IEEE.
- 2018 **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Camille Leroux, David Binet, J. M Pierre Langlois, Christophe Jégo, and Yvon Savaria. Custom Low Power Processor for Polar Decoding. In *IEEE International Symposium on Circuits & Systems (ISCAS)*, 2018 IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS), Florence, Italy, May 2018.
- 2017 Alireza Ghaffari, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Yvon Savaria, Christophe Jégo, and Camille Leroux. Improving performance of SCMA MPA decoders using estimation of conditional probabilities. In *2017 15th IEEE International New Circuits and Systems Conference (NEWCAS)*, pages 21–24, Strasbourg, France, June 2017. IEEE.
- 2017 Adrien Cassagne, Olivier Hartmann, **Léonardon, Mathieu**, Thibaud Tonnellier, Guillaume Delbergue, Camille Leroux, Romain Tajan, Bertrand Le Gal, Christophe Jégo, Olivier Aumage, and Denis Barthou. Fast Simulation and Prototyping with AFF3CT. In *The 20th International Workshop on Signal Processing Systems (SiPS 2017)*, Lorient, France, October 2017.

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## Work Experience

### ENSEIRB-Matmeca, France

Sep,2018 – **A Flexible and Portable Real-time DVB-S2 Transceiver using Multicore and SIMD CPUs.**  
Dec, 2019 Developing a full Software Defined Radio communication chain for real-time processing for satellite communications with Airbus Defense & Space.

Advisor : **Pr. Christophe Jégo**, Full Professor, Electrical Engineering Department, Bordeaux INP ([LinkedIn](#))  
[Worldcast Systems, France](#)

Sep,2012 – **Design and Test of FM transmitters.**

Aug,2015 Participated in the design of Eceso FM transmitters, created a Human-Machine Interface for production and customers.

Advisor : **Hervé Garat**, R&D Engineer, ([LinkedIn](#))

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## Reviewer

IEEE SIPS, IEEE ISTC, GRETSI, IEEE NEWCAS, IEEE SysInt, MDPI Entropy

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## Computer skills

Programming Languages C, C++, Python, PyTorch

HDL VHDL, Vivado HLS

Software Git, Gitlab CI, Linux, Inkscape

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## Research Supervising

### Ph.D. students

2020-2023 **Hugo Tessier**, IMT Atlantique, Stellantis.

2021-present **Hugo Le Blevec**, IMT Atlantique.

2021-present **Lucas Grativol**, IMT Atlantique, Telecom Saint Etienne.

2022-present **Timotée Ly-Manson**, IMT Atlantique.

2022-present **Karl La Grassa**, IMT Atlantique, Polytechnique Montréal.

2022-present **Ismail Amessegher**, IMT Atlantique, University of Adelaide.

### Post-doctoral researchers

2022-2023 **Hamoud Younes**, IMT Atlantique, GoodFlow.

2023-present **Hugo Tessier**, IMT Atlantique.

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## Teaching

2018-2019 **EN112: Digital Electronics Design**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2018-2019 **EN102: Combinatorial and Sequential Logic**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2018-2019 **EN103: Micro-controller project**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2018-2019 **EN114: Computer Architecture**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2018-2019 **MI202: Micro-controller project**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2018-2019 **PG208: Object-Oriented Programmation with C++**, ENSEIRB-Matmeca.

2020-present **EFFDL: Efficient Deep Learning**, IMT Atlantique.

2020-present **SEIML: Embedded Systems - Software Hardware Interaction**, IMT Atlantique.

2020-present **ParPIng: Parallel Computing for Engineers**, IMT Atlantique.

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## Fundings Obtained

- 2023-2026 **ANR JCJC**, 250k€, ProPruNN: Profitable Pruning of Neural Networks, Project Lead.  
ANR
- 2022-2024 **Labex CominLabs**, 325k€, Leasard: Low Energy deep neural networks for Autonomous Search-And-Rescue Drones, Member.
- 2022-2024 **AI@IMT**, 120k€, Leasard: Low Energy deep neural networks for Autonomous Search-And-Rescue Drones, Member.  
IMT
- 2022-2024 **GDR ISIS**, 7k€, Furnitures.  
CNRS
- 2022 **Maupertuis visit program**, 1k€.  
Institut Français Finland
- 2021-2024 **Futur et Ruptures**, 120k€, FLCNNFPGA: Towards an efficient and privacy-protecting IoT through the use of federated learning and FPGA technologies, Member.  
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## Visiting Researcher

### As Guest

- 2022 **Tampere University**, *Finland*.