

# Nathan Trouvain

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Machine Learning and Data engineer.

Building simple and efficient tools to make AI techniques more accessible.

## Research experience

- 2024 - 2022** **PhD. research project @ Mnemosyne - Inria/IMN/LaBRI** Bordeaux, France  
*Modelling Action-Perception Mechanisms for Vocal Gestures with Hierarchical Reservoirs*  
Computational neuroscience research project, aiming at modeling vocal perception and production in songbirds, and eventually in humans.
- 2020** **Research internship @ Mnemosyne - Inria/IMN/LaBRI** Bordeaux, France  
*ML based automated annotation pipeline for bird songs*  
Development of an automatic birdsong annotation pipeline using machine learning tools (Reservoir Computing).

## Engineering experience

- 2022 - 2020** **Research engineer @ Mnemosyne - Inria/IMN/LaBRI** Bordeaux, France  
*Open source software development for Reservoir Computing*  
Development of *reservoirpy*, a Python library aimed at providing standardized Reservoir Computing tools. Software architecture, development, tests, documentation, deployment, public outreach (presentations, tutorials and scientific papers.)
- 2019** **Engineering internship @ Wiidii** Bordeaux, France  
*Building NLP tools for a multipurpose chatbot*  
NLP models (BERT, Flair) fine-tuning for intent categorization and named entity recognition (NER). Model serving within company micro-service architecture.

## Software and projects

- > [reservoirpy](#)  
A simple and flexible code for Reservoir Computing architectures like Echo State Networks. [1]
- > [canapy](#)  
Automatic audio annotation tools for animal vocalizations.
- > [canarygan](#)  
A Pytorch+Lightning reimplementation of Pagliarini et al. (2021): a generative model to explore songbirds vocal production capabilities. [2]

## Education

- 2020** **Master degree - "Diplôme d'ingénieur" @ École Nationale Supérieure de Cognitique (ENSC)** Talence, France  
Machine Learning, Computer Sc., Cognitive Sc.
- 2017** **"Classes préparatoires aux grandes écoles" @ Toulouse INP** Toulouse, France  
Biology, Mathematics, Physics

## Skills

- > **Programming:** Python, Pytorch/TensorFlow, Slurm, Lightning, C#, R, Git, GNU Linux, Web development basics.
- > **Design and typesetting:**  $\text{\LaTeX}$ /typst, Adobe Illustrator/Figma.
- > **Languages:** English (fluent), French (native).

## Teaching

- > **Timeseries analysis and modelization**  
[ENSC/ENSEIRB-MATMECA](#) | 2021-2024  
Theoretical and practical courses. Master I level.
- > **Machine Learning**  
[ENSC](#) | 2021-2024  
Practical courses. Master I level.

## Academic services

- > **1st Open Science Workshop - Bordeaux Neurocampus**  
Organizer | 2023
- > **AI4Industry workshop**  
Mentor - scientific advisor | 2021-2024
- > **Peer-review**  
CogSci 2022, ICANN 2021, ICANN 2020 | 2021-2024

## Publications and presentations

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- [1] N. Trouvain, L. Pedrelli, T. T. Dinh, and X. Hinaut, "ReservoirPy: An Efficient and User-Friendly Library to Design Echo State Networks," in *Artificial Neural Networks and Machine Learning – ICANN 2020*, I. Farkaš, P. Masulli, and S. Wermter, Eds., Springer International Publishing, 2020, pp. 494–505. doi: [10.1007/978-3-030-61616-8\\_40](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-61616-8_40).
- [2] S. Pagliarini, N. Trouvain, A. Leblois, and X. Hinaut, "What Does the Canary Say? Low-dimensional GAN Applied to Birdsong," 2021. [Online]. Available: <https://hal.science/hal-03244723v2>
- [3] X. Hinaut and N. Trouvain, "Which Hype for My New Task? Hints and Random Search for Echo State Networks Hyperparameters," in *Artificial Neural Networks and Machine Learning – ICANN 2021*, I. Farkaš, P. Masulli, S. Otte, and S. Wermter, Eds., Springer International Publishing, 2021, pp. 83–97. doi: [10.1007/978-3-030-86383-8\\_7](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-86383-8_7).
- [4] S. R. Oota, N. Trouvain, F. Alexandre, and X. Hinaut, "MEG Encoding Using Word Context Semantics in Listening Stories," in *Proc. Interspeech 2023*, 2023, pp. 5152–5156. doi: [10.21437/Interspeech.2023-282](https://doi.org/10.21437/Interspeech.2023-282).
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- [7] N. Trouvain and X. Hinaut, "Canary Song Decoder: Transduction and Implicit Segmentation with ESNs and LSTMs," in *Artificial Neural Networks and Machine Learning – ICANN 2021*, I. Farkaš, P. Masulli, S. Otte, and S. Wermter, Eds., Springer International Publishing, 2021, pp. 71–82. doi: [10.1007/978-3-030-86383-8\\_6](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-86383-8_6).
- [8] N. Trouvain, N. Rougier, and X. Hinaut, "Create Efficient and~Complex Reservoir Computing Architectures with~ReservoirPy," in *From Animals to Animats 16*, L. Cañamero, P. Gaussier, M. Wilson, S. Boucenna, and N. Cuperlier, Eds., Springer International Publishing, 2022, pp. 91–102. doi: [10.1007/978-3-031-16770-6\\_8](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-16770-6_8).
- [9] N. Trouvain and X. Hinaut, "Reservoir Computing : de la théorie à la pratique avec ReservoirPy." [Online]. Available: [https://sed-paris.gitlabpages.inria.fr/ai-community/slides/2022-03-22/SCAI-ReservoirPy\\_01.pdf](https://sed-paris.gitlabpages.inria.fr/ai-community/slides/2022-03-22/SCAI-ReservoirPy_01.pdf)
- [10] N. Trouvain and X. Hinaut, "Reservoir Computing : traitement efficace de séries temporelles avec ReservoirPy." [Online]. Available: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDzQ9giWTCs>