

# Ziad Kobeissi

*Permanent researcher (ISFP)*

## Research Interests

- **Partial Differential Eq.**
  - Optimal Control theory
  - Mean Field Games
  - Numerical Methods
- **Machine Learning**
  - Optimization
  - Reinforcement Learning
  - Deep Learning
- **Proba & Stats**
  - Stochastic Differential Eq.
  - Stochastic Algorithms
  - Markov Decision Process

## Position

- from 10/2023 **Inria Starting Faculty Position (ISFP) at INRIA Saclay (DISCO team) and Laboratory of Signals and Systems (L2S) from Paris-Saclay University.**
- 2020–2023 **Postdoctorate researcher at INRIA Paris (SIERRA team) and Institut Louis Bachelier Paris, Scientific supervisors: Francis Bach, Jean-Michel Lasry and Pierre-Louis Lions.**

## Education

- 2017–2020 **Ph.D thesis at University Paris-Cité, LJLL, Under the supervision of Yves Achdou and Pierre Cardaliaguet, Mean Field Games of Controls, defended on October, 2nd 2020.**
- 2016–2017 **Master 2 in Numerical Analysis and PDEs, UPMC (Paris-Sorbonne).**
- 2015–2016 **Master 2 in Probability, ENS Lyon.**
- 2015 **Erasmus exchange at Imperial College of London.**
- 2013–2014 **Bachelor in Mathematics, ENS Lyon.**
- 2013–2016 **ENS Lyon, Admitted to the examination (Normalien).**
- 2010–2013 **Classe préparatoire at Champollion and Lycée du Parc.**

## Publications

- Published **A Non-asymptotic Analysis of Non-parametric Temporal-Difference Learning, with E. Berthier and F. Bach, 2022, NeurIPS 2022 (spotlight).**
- Published **Mean Field Games with monotonous interactions through the law of controls, 2022, NoDEA: Nonlinear Differential Equations and Applications.**
- Published **On Classical Solutions of the Mean Field Game System of Controls, 2021, CPDE: Communications in Partial Differential Equations.**
- Published **Mean Field Games of Controls: Finite Difference Approximations, with Y. Achdou, 2020, AIMS: Mathematics in Engineering.**
- Published **On the implementation of a primal-dual algorithm for second order time-dependent mean field games with local couplings, with L. Briceño-Arias, D. Kalise, M. Laurière, Á.M. González, F.J. Silva, 2019, ESAIM: ProcS.**
- Submitted **Temporal Difference Learning with Continuous Time and State in the Stochastic Setting, with F. Bach, 2022.**
- Submitted **The tragedy of the commons: a mean field game approach to the reversal of travelling waves, with I. Mazari-Fouquet and D. Ruiz-Balet, 2023.**

- Submitted ***Discrete-Time Control for Internet of Things based on Mean Field Approximation***, with C. Bertucci and J.-M. Lasry, 2023.
- In preparation ***Mean field game problems in the management of fisheries***, with I. Mazari-Fouquet and D. Ruiz-Balet, 2023.

## Talks & Reviewing

Conferences:

- 28/06/2023 **21st INFORMS Applied Probability Society Conference, Nancy.**
- 13/12/2022 **Mean Field Games and Related Topics, Lagrange Center, Paris.**
- 13/12/2021 **Mathematical Advances in Mean Field Games, IMSI, Chicago.**
- 01/12/2021 **PGMO Days, EDF Saclay, Paris.**
- 18/09/2019 **FGS 2019, conference on optimization, University Nice Sophia Antipolis.**
- 13/09/2019 **Mean Field Games and Related Topics 5, Levico Terme.**
- 18/12/2018 **MFG Days 2018, University Paris Diderot.**
- 20/08/2017 **CEMRACS 2017, CIRM (Marseille).**

Seminars:

- 20/10/2023 **Seminar of the chair “Finance and Sustainable Development” at IHP, Paris.**
- 13/04/2023 **Seminar of Télécom Paris.**
- 06/04/2023 **Seminar of financial mathematics of the LPSM at Sorbonne-University.**
- 26/10/2021 **Seminar of Sierra team at Inria Paris.**
- 28/03/2019 **Seminar of young researchers at University Paris-Dauphine.**
- 05/02/2019 **Seminar of Ph.D students of LJLL at University Paris-Sorbonne.**
- 04/06/2018 **Seminar of Ph.D students of LPSM at University Paris-Sorbonne.**

Reviewing:

- 2023-Present **Reviewer**, *SIAM Journal on Numerical Analysis (SINUM)*.
- 2022-Present **Reviewer**, *IEEE Control Systems Society Conference (IEEECCSS)*.
- 2022-Present **Reviewer**, *Dynamical Games and Applications*.
- 2021-Present **Reviewer**, *SIAM Journal on Control and Optimization (SICON)*.
- 2021-Present **Reviewer**, *Applied Mathematics and Optimization (AMOP)*.

## Teaching

- 2023-2024 **3<sup>rd</sup>-year B.Sc. Exercice sessions in Analysis, Probability and PDEs**, CentraleSupélec.
- 2018-2020 **2<sup>nd</sup>-year B.Sc. Exercice sessions in Probability**, Paris-Cité.
- 2017-2020 **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>-year B.Sc. Exercice sessions in algebra and analysis**, Paris-Cité.
- 2017-2018 **1<sup>st</sup>-year M.Sc. Pratical sessions: algorithmics and introduction to C**, Paris Diderot.
- 2016-2017 **1<sup>st</sup>-year B.Sc. Exercice sessions in maths for economics-major (ECS)**, Lycée Carnot.
- 2015-2016 **2<sup>nd</sup>-year B.Sc. Exercice sessions for maths-major (MP\*)**, Lycée du Parc (Lyon).

## Internships/Research projects

- 2017 **CEMRACS: 6-week research project on Numerics at CIRM (Marseille).**
- 2017 **4-month internship on Mean Field Games of Controls**, Supervisors: Yves Achdou and Pierre Cardaliaguet, Paris Diderot.
- 2016 **3-month internship on Data Assimilation and Optimal transport**, Supervisor: Youssef Marzouk, MIT (Boston).

- 2016 **1-month internship on Data Assimilation and Optimal transport**, *Supervisor: Ibrahim Hoteit*, KAUST (Saudi Arabia).
- 2015 **3-month internship in Stochastic Modeling**, *Supervisor: Roger Ghanem*, USC (Los Angeles).
- 2014 **2-month internship in Numerical Simulations on PDEs**, *Supervisor : Carola-Bibiane Schönlieb*, University of Cambridge.

## ———— Schools

- 2021 **Introduction to Mean Field Games and Applications**, IMSI, Chicago, USA.
- 2021 **Reinforcement Learning Virtual School**, ANITI, Toulouse, France.
- 2019 **Second Nepal Winter school in AI**, at Pokhara, Nepal.
- 2019 **High Dimensional Probability and Algorithms**, at ENS Paris, France.
- 2019 **Summer School on MFG at Cetraro**, Italy.
- 2018 **Summer School on MFG at IPAM**, UCLA, Los Angeles, USA.
- 2017 **CEMRACS at CIRM**, Marseille, France.

## ———— Skills

Programming **C++, C, Python, Pytorch, Matlab, Julia.**  
Languages **French: native, English: fluent.**