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**Summary** I am an ELLIS PhD student in the IMAGINE computer vision team of École des Ponts ParisTech (ENPC) and in the Perceiving Systems Department of Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems (MPI-IS). I am co-advised by Gül Varol (ENPC) and Michael J. Black (MPI).

## Research Experience

**2020 – present: PhD student, ENPC/MPI, France/Germany**

**Subject:** Controllable human motion synthesis via generative models

**Advisors:** Gül Varol and Michael J. Black

**2023: Research Intern, NVIDIA, Switzerland**

5.5 months

**Subject:** 3D human motion generation from textual description

**Manager:** Sanja Fidler

**2019 - 2020: Research Intern, RIKEN AIP, University of Kyoto, Japan**

9 months

**Subject:** Machine learning and optimal transport

**Advisor:** Makoto Yamada

**2019: Research Intern, DxO Labs, France**

6 months

**Subject:** Semantic segmentation and image matting

**Advisor:** Wolf Hauser

**2018: Research Intern, Carnegie Mellon University, United States**

5 months

**Subject:** Object tracking in videos

**Advisor:** Martial Hebert

**2017: Research Intern, LIF, France**

2 months

**Subject:** Correction strategy for natural language parser

**Advisor:** Alexis Nasr

## Education

**2020 - present: ENPC/MPI, PhD student**

France/Germany

Controllable human motion synthesis via generative models

**2016 - 2020: École Normale Supérieure (ENS) Paris-Saclay, MSc**

Paris, France

Research engineering school, theoretical and applied computer science

○ 2018 - 2019: ENS Paris-Saclay, Master 2

Master MVA: machine learning and computer vision

○ 2017 - 2018: ENS Paris-Saclay, Master 1

Master of research in theoretical computer science (MPRI)

○ 2016 - 2017: Diderot University, BSc

Theoretical computer science

**2014 - 2016: Lycée Masséna, MPSI/MP\***

Nice, France

Preparation course for exams to enter French engineering schools

## Academic Activities

### Publications

○ **2023, ICCV: Mathis Petrovich, Michael J. Black, Gül Varol**

*TMR: Text-to-Motion Retrieval Using Contrastive 3D Human Motion Synthesis.*

- **2023, ICCV:** Nikos Athanasiou\*, **Mathis Petrovich\***, Michael J. Black, Gül Varol  
*SINC: Spatial Composition of 3D Human Motions for Simultaneous Action Generation.*
- **2022, 3DV:** Nikos Athanasiou, **Mathis Petrovich**, Michael J. Black, Gül Varol  
*TEACH: Temporal Action Composition for 3D Human.*
- **2022, ECCV (Oral): Mathis Petrovich**, Michael J. Black, Gül Varol  
*TEMOS: Generating diverse human motions from textual descriptions.*
- **2021, ICCV: Mathis Petrovich**, Michael J. Black, Gül Varol  
*ACTOR: Action-Conditioned 3D Human Motion Synthesis with Transformer VAE.*
- **2022, ECML: Mathis Petrovich\***, Chao Liang\*, Ryoma Sato, Yanbin Liu, Yao-Hung Hubert Tsai, Linchao Zhu, Yi Yang, Ruslan Salakhutdinov, Makoto Yamada  
*FROT: Feature Robust Optimal Transport for High-dimensional Data.*
- **2020, IJCNN:** Dinesh Singh, Héctor Climente-González, **Mathis Petrovich**, Eiryo Kawakami, Makoto Yamada  
*FsNet: Feature Selection Network on High-dimensional Biological Data.*
- **2020, arXiv: Mathis Petrovich**, Makoto Yamada  
*FALL: Fast local linear regression with anchor regularization.*
- **2020, ICMEW:** Abhishek Goswami, **Mathis Petrovich**, Wolf Hauser, Frederic Dufaux  
*Tone Mapping Operators: Progressing Towards Semantic-Awareness.*

## Reviewing

- Eurographics 2024
- International Conference on 3D Vision (**3DV**) 2024
- International Conference on Computer Vision (**ICCV**) 2023
- **SIGGRAPH** 2023
- Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (**CVPR**) 2023 (**Outstanding Reviewer**), 2024
- International Journal of Computer Vision (**IJCV**) 2022, 2023
- Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence (**TPAMI**) 2022, 2023
- European Conference on Computer Vision (**ECCV**) 2022
- Computers & Graphics 2021

## Teaching

- 2021 - 2024: ENS Paris-Saclay, *Teaching Assistant*, M2 (Master MVA)  
Object recognition and computer vision (RecVis)
- 2022 - 2023: ENPC Engineering school, *Project supervisor*  
Research project on computer vision
- 2020 - 2021: ENPC, *Teacher*, L3 (Bachelor)  
Introduction to programming, in C++ (1PROG)

## Recent open-source repositories




 <a href="#">Mathux/TMR</a>	108 ★	7 📄
 <a href="#">Mathux/TEMOS</a>	300 ★	16 📄
 <a href="#">Mathux/ACTOR</a>	331 ★	47 📄

## Miscellaneous

### Research interests

- Computer vision
- Machine learning
- Generative models (VAE, diffusion)
- 3D human motion modeling
- Optimal transport

### Languages

-  **French:** Native speaker
-  **English:** C1 Level (IELTS Band 7)
-  **German:** A2

### References

- **Gül Varol:** [gul.varol@enpc.fr](mailto:gul.varol@enpc.fr)
- **Michael J. Black:** [black@tuebingen.mpg.de](mailto:black@tuebingen.mpg.de)