Vincent Leclère

Researcher Hab. at École des Ponts in Stochastic Optimization

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Research interests

Theory Multistage Stochastic Programming, Data-driven optimization, Robust optimization, Decomposition methods, Dynamic programming, Convex optimization, Risk measures

Applications Energy, SmartGrid, Microgrid, Supply chain, Transportation, Machine learning.

Education

- 2023 Habilitation in Mathematics (HDR), UGE, Champs sur Marne, France Exact methods and applications of optimization under uncertainty.
- 2014 2015 **Post-Doctorate in Operation Reseach**, Berkeley, California Robust Sketching with Laurent El Ghaoui.
- 2011 2014 **PhD. in Stochastic Optimization**, ENPC, France

 Contributions to Decomposition Method in Stochastic Optimization. With Optimisation & Systèmes team of CERMICS, with M. De Lara and P. Carpentier as advisors.
- 2009 2011 Master of Optimization and Game Theory, *UPMC*, France, with very high honors Specialization in Stochastic Optimization.
- 2009 2011 Master in Financial Mathematics, *UMLV*, France, with very high honors Stochastic processes and numerical methods.
- 2010 2011 Cursus Ingénieur du Corps des Ponts, des Eaux et des Fôrets, ENPC
- 2006 2010 **Ingénieur Polytechnicien Program**, École Polytechnique Applied math specialization.
- 2004 2006 **Preparatory school**, *Lycée Sainte Geneviève*, Versailles Maths, Physics and chemistry.

Publications

Preprint

2023 Duality of upper bounds in stochastic dynamic programming, BFP Da Costa, V. Leclère

Optimization Online preprint

2023 Joint Production and Energy Supply Planning of an Industrial Microgrid, Z. Fornier, D. Grosso, V. Leclère arXiv preprint

Published work

2023 Exact quantization of multistage stochastic linear problems, M. Forcier, S. Gaubert, V. Leclère

Accepted in SIAM journal on Optimization. Best student paper award at CMS-ECSO 2022.

2023 Robust limit analysis theory for computing worst-case limit loads under uncertainties, J. Bleyer, V. Leclère
 Book Chapter in Direct Methods for Limit State of Materials and Structures: Advanced Computational Algorithms and Material Modelling

2023 Convergence of trajectory following dynamic programming algorithms for multistage stochastic problems without finite support assumptions, M. Forcier, V. Leclère

Accepted in Journal of Convex Analysis.

2023 Dual sddp for risk-averse multistage stochastic programs, BFP. Da Costa, V. Leclère
Published in Operations Research Letters.

2022 Generalized adaptive partition-based method for two- stage stochastic linear programs: Geometric oracle and analysis, M. Forcier, V. Leclère
Published in Operations Research Letters. 2022 ORL Best paper award.

2020 Mathematical programming for influence diagrams, A. Parmentier, V. Cohen, V. Leclère, G. Obozinski, J. Salmon Published in Informs Journal on Optimization.

- 2019 Exact converging bounds for Stochastic Dual Dynamic Programming via Fenchel duality, V. Leclère, P. Carpentier, J-Ph. Chancelier, A. Lenoir, F. Pacaud Published in SIAM Journal on Optimization
- 2019 **Epiconvergence of relaxed stochastic optimization problems**, *V. Leclère* Published in Operations Research Letters.
- 2018 On risk averse competitive equilibrium Optimization, H. Gérard, V. Leclère, A. Philpott

Published in Operations Research Letters.

- 2018 Stochastic decomposition applied to large-scale hydro valleys management , P. Carpentier, J-Ph. Chancelier, F. Pacaud, V. Leclère Published in European Journal of Operation Research
- 2016 Building up Time-Consistency for Risk Measures and Dynamic Optimization, M. De Lara, V. Leclère
 Published in European Journal of Operation Research.

- 2015 On the convergence of decomposition methods for multi-stage stochastic convex programs, P. Girardeau, V. Leclère, A. Philpott
 Published in Mathematics of Operation Research.
- 2013 **Priority option: the value of being a leader**, M. Grasselli, V. Leclère, M. Ludkovski Published in International Journal of Theoretical and Applied Finance.

Peer-reviewed proceedings

- 2018 A stochastic multi-item lot-sizing problem with bounded number of setups, E. De Saint Germain, V. Leclère, F. Meunier ICORES 2017 Proceeding
- 2017 Efficient Smoothed Concomitant Lasso Estimation for High Dimensional Regression, E. Ndiaye, O. Fercoq, A. Gramfort, V. Leclère, J. Salmon Published in J. Phys.: Conference Series.

Young researchers advising

PhD Students

- 2023 ... **Jonathan Hornewall**, *Ecole des Ponts and IPP's funding*, Forthcoming In collaboration with Stéphane Gaubert
- 2022 ... Vitor Luiz Pinto de Pina Fereira, In partnership with TotalEnergies
- 2022 ... Zoé Fornier, In partnership with Metron Energy
- 2019 2022 Maël Forcier, Ministère de la transition écologique's funding In collaboration with Stéphane Gaubert, supervised by Jean-Philippe Chancelier
- 2015 2018 **Étienne de Saint Germain**, In partnership with Argon Consulting In collaboration with Frédéric Meunier

Postdoctorates

- 2021 2023 Carlos Moreno, Chair Supply chain of Tomorrow's funding
- 2018 2019 **Regan Baucke**, *DIM Math'Innov's funding* Supervised by Jean-Philippe Chancelier

Grants and industrial contracts

Current contracts

- 2022 2025 Optimization of an isolated hybrid system (PI), TotalEnergies, € Industrial contract funding for a PhD thesis aiming at optimizing the energy production plan of an isolated system with thermal production, renewable energies and energy storage.
- 2021 2024 Optimization of a system coupling industrial production, renewable energy and energy storage (PI), Metron Energy,

 CIFRE funding for a PhD thesis aiming at optimizing the coupled production and energy procurment short-term plan of an industrial micro-grid.
- 2021 2023 Mathematical model and solution methods for resilient and green supply chain design (PI), Chair Supply Chain of Tomorrow,

 Industrial contract with a consortium of companies, aiming at proposing a multi-objective model for supply chain design. Funding an 18 months post-doc position.
- 2021 2023 Reverse logistic inventory routing (co-PI), Renault,
 Industrial contract tackling a split-delivery multi-item large scale inventory routing problem.
 Focus on the strategical problem to select regular routes at a discounted price.
- 2019 2023 **Two-scale optimization problems (PI)**, Programme Gaspard Monge pour l'Optimisation et la recherche opérationnelle EDF,

Past contracts

- 2018 2019 Exact bounds for stochastic optimization (co-PI), DIM-MathInnov, Institutional funding covering a one-year post-doctorate position.
- 2015 2018 Balancing cost and flexibility in supply chain (co-PI), Argon Consulting, CIFRE funding for a PhD thesis aiming at balancing cost and flexibility for tactical decisions (lot-sizing) and for strategical decision (sourcing strategy).
- 2016 2017 Equilibrium and games in energy (PI), Programme Gaspard Monge pour l'Optimisation et la recherche opérationnelle EDF,
- 2015 2016 **Epi-splines for solar energy prevision (PI)**, Programme Gaspard Monge pour l'Optimisation et la recherche opérationnelle EDF,
- 2014 2015 Robust Sketching for Structured Multi-Instance Optimization with Uncertainty, Programme Gaspard Monge pour l'Optimisation et la recherche opérationnelle EDF,
- 2013 2016 **SunHydro Project**, Optimal management of an hydroelectric storage coupled with a renewable energy production unit
- 2012 2013 **Décomposition/Coordination en commande optimale stochastique StochDec**, Programme Gaspard Monge pour l'Optimisation et la recherche opérationnelle EDF
- 2012 2014 **Optimization Methods for Smart Grid**, report for the Conseil Français de l'Énergie, french member of the World Energy Council

Contributions to the scientific community

Conference and workshop organization

- 2025 Organizer of the ICSP XVII conference. This is the main event in the field of stochastic programming (env. 400 participants).
- 2023 Organizer of the 2023 Smart Energy and Stochastic Optimization (SESO) workshop at École des Ponts
- 2023 Co-organizer of the Julia Days workshop at CNAM, Paris
- 2023 Organizer of mini-symposiums on SDDP at ICSP
- 2021 . . . Co-organizer of the decision, algorithm and geometry seminar between CERMICS and CMAP
 - 2021 Organizer of a worshop on robust and stochastic optimization methods at École des Ponts
 - 2020 Contribution to the organization of the 2020 SMAI-MODE conference
 - 2019 Co-organizer of a winter school at CIRM (Luminy)
 - 2019 Co-organizer of a workshop on Multi-Stage Stochastic Optimization for Clean Energy Transition at Banff International Research Station (Oaxaca, Mexico)
 - 2018 Organizer of a stream of invited sessions on SDDP at ISMP
 - 2016 Organizer of a mini-symposium on SDDP at ICSP
- 2014 2018 Contribution to the organization of Smart Energy and Stochastic Optimization (SESO) workshop at Ecole des Ponts

Position in scientific communities

- 2023 ... Member by right of the Committee on Stochastic Programming of the Mathematical Programming Society
- 2023 ... Vice President for industrial relations of the SMAI steering committee
- 2018 ... Elected member of the SMAI-MODE steering committee

Evaluation of peers

- 2022 ROADEF best student paper award committee member
- 2020 2021 Nicholson Prize committee member for best paper student
- 2012 ... Reviewer of numerous scientific journals (notably MP, MPC, SiOPT, OR, ORL, EJOR...)

Contributions to the school life

- Forthcoming Candidate to be CERMICS's optimization team referent
- 2019 ... Elected member of the Council of Teaching and Research (CER) of École des Ponts
- 2019 2020 Member of a task force on mathematics at École des Ponts
- 2018 . . . Author of multiple-choice tests for ParisTech international students.
 - 2016 Invited speaker to the OPECST (Office Parlementaire d'Evaluation des Choix Scientifiques et Technologiques) on the topic of energy transition
- 2015 ... Responsible for the CERMICS's library
- 2012 2014 Member of a task force on energy in the Ecole des Ponts curriculum

Teaching

Current teachings 2023 Stochastic and Robust optimization*, 5th year course, MPRO, (24h) 2018 - 2023 Stochastic Optimization*, 5th year course, University Paris-Saclay, (15h) 2020 - 2023 Convex Optimization*, 4th year course, ENPC, (30h) 2015 - 2023 Operation Research and Transportation*, 3rd year course, ENPC, (15h) Past teachings 2017 - 2020 Data Driven Robust Optimization*, 5th year course, ENPC, (15h) 2015 - 2020 Optimization and Energy*, 3rd year course, ENPC, (15h) 2017 - 2020 Finding an optimal board game strategy*, 3rd year project, ENPC, (10h) 2010 - 2020 Optimization and control, 4th year course, ENPC, (10h) 2015 - 2018 Introduction to Optimization, 3rd year course, ENPC, (12h) 2013 - 2017 Stochastic Optimization, 5th year course, MPRO, (9h) 2011 - 2014 Differentiable optimization, 4th year course, ENSTA, (24h) 2011 - 2013 Introduction to probability, 3rd year course, ENSTA, (24h) 2011 - 2013 Le risque dans tous ses états, thematic week, ENPC, (10h) Knowledge transfer (Industrial courses) 2023 Stochastic Optimization, TotalEnergies, (12h) 2022 Stochastic Optimization, RTE, (6h) 2021 Multiobjective Optimization, Chair Supply Chain of Tomorrow, (3h) 2021 Stochastic Optimization, Metron Energy, (6h) 2020 - 2022 Stochastic and Robust Optimization, Air France, (8h) 2020 Stochastic Optimization, Total Energies, (6h) 2019 Stochastic Optimization, CNRS Interface Winter School, CIRM Luminy, (15h) 2016 Stochastic Optimization, SESO Winter School, ENPC, (6h) 2015 Stochastic and Robust Optimization, IRT System'X, (6h)

2012 **Progressive Hedging**, practical session of 2-week summer school, (8h)

2013 Stochastic Optimization, XM-Columbia, (6h)

^{*:} course responsability