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EDUCATION

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M.Res., Epistemology and Economics Philosophy, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France, 2013
M.Sc., Theory, History and Methods of Economics, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France, 2012
B.Sc., Economics, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá, 2012

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RESEARCH FIELDS

History of recent economics, history of macroeconometric modeling, economic epistemology, macroeconomics, econometrics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

02/2016 to present	Center for the History of Political Economy, Duke University, Research Fellow
04-06/2016	David M. Rubenstein Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Duke University, Research Assistant
04-06/2015	Center for the History of Political Economy, Duke University, Visiting Scholar
09/2010-03/2011	Research Center for Development (CID), National University of Colombia, Research Assistant

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2015/16	History of Economic Ideas, University Paris 1, TA for J. Dellemotte
Fall 2015/16	Principles of Economics, University Paris 1, TA for A. d'Autume and N. Canry
Fall 2014/15	History of Economic Ideas, University Paris 1, TA for Jean Dellemotte
Fall 2014/15	Principles of Economics, University Paris 1, TA for A. d'Autume and N. Canry
Spring 2014	Econometrics, University Paris 1, TA for C. Doz
Fall 2013/14	Principles of Economics, University Paris 1, TA for A. d'Autume and N. Canry

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2016	Conference in honor of Edmond Malinvaud (Paris 1 University); History of Economics Society Conference (Duke University); History of Recent Economics Conference (São Paulo University); HOPE Workshop (Duke University); HOPE Lunch Seminar (Duke University)
2015	European Society for the History of Economic Thought Conference (Rome Tre University); History of Economics Society Conference (Michigan State University); HOPE Lunch Seminar (Duke University); Latin American Conference for the History of Economic Thought (Adolfo Ibáñez University); The Montréal Summer School in the History of Science (UQAM); The 2015 Duke Summer Institute (Duke University); The First History of Economics Summer School in Latin America (Universidad de los Andes)
2014	UK History of Economic Thought Conference (University of Westminster); Institute for New Economic Thinking, Young Scholars Initiative (Lausanne University); Séminaire économie et société (Paris 1 University); Séminaire inter-écoles doctorales d'histoire et des sciences économiques (Paris 1 University)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Conference organization: Conference in honor of E. Malinvaud; Conference "Against Walras"; Albert O. Hirschman Seminar; Doctorissimes Conference (Paris 1 University)
Member of the Communication Committee of the Latin American Society for the History of Economics (ALAHPE) and website designer
Member of the History of Economics Society (HES)
Member of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2016/17	Final Year Fellowship, Center for the History of Political Economy, Duke University
2013/2016	French Ministry for Education and Research: Doctoral fellowship, University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
06/2016	Warren and Sylvia Samuels Young Scholars Grant Program of the History of Economics Society
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RESEARCH PAPERS IN PROGRESS

Job Market Paper: "Econometrics as a pluralistic scientific tool for economic planning: on Lawrence R. Klein's image of econometrics"

This paper provides an account of Lawrence R. Klein's distinctive way of doing econometrics. Focusing on Klein's time at the Cowles Commission (1944-47), I discuss a series of fundamental publications and events that were decisive in shaping his image of econometrics. In particular, I argue that Klein's adoption of a

flexible and practice-oriented methodology, and his endorsement of pluralistic economic theories, resulted from his participation in actual empirical model-building. Furthermore, I show that Klein's flexible approach contrasts with the prescriptive methodology resulting from the highly abstract and theoretical work led by his colleagues at Cowles. I conclude that Klein's distinctive image of econometrics allowed him not only to enrich the process of model specification, but also to pursue the macroeconometric program beyond the 1940s, and to remain optimistic about what he thought was the political objective of econometrics: economic planning and social reform.

"Reconciling Keynes and Tinbergen? Lawrence R. Klein and the making of macroeconometrics"

The Keynes-Tinbergen controversy on the role of econometrics to test economic theories remains of paramount importance to understanding the evolution of macroeconometric modeling. Even after Keynes's recognition of the value of Tinbergen's work, a general impression persisted that his critique of Tinbergen was not only destructive but also uninformed, attenuating the relevance of his claims. I consider Lawrence R. Klein's project to "redo" Tinbergen's work as a well-informed reaction to Keynes's criticism, which decisively contributed to the further development of macroeconometric modeling. As an expert in Keynesian thought and as a leading figure of Cowles's macroeconometric program, Klein surmounted the difficult task of reconciling the Tinbergenian world which strove for the implementation of technical and rigorous devices from which to draw inferences with Keynes's world in which a priori theoretical claims were the only possible way for discovering the functioning of the economy.

"Macroeconometric modeling as a 'photographic description of reality' or as an 'engine for the discovery of concrete truth'? Methodological debates between two empirical approaches to macroeconomics"

This paper discusses a longstanding debate between two empirical approaches to macroeconomics: the econometrics program represented by Lawrence R. Klein, and the statistical economics program represented by Milton Friedman. I argue that the differences between these two approaches do not consist only in the use of different statistical methods, economic theories or political ideas. Rather, these differences are deeply rooted in methodological principles and modeling strategies inspired by the works of Léon Walras and Alfred Marshall, which go further than the standard opposition of general vs. partial equilibrium. While Klein's Walrasian approach necessarily considers the economy as a whole, despite the economist's inability to observe or understand the system in all its complexity, Friedman's Marshallian approach takes into account this inability and considers that economic models should be perceived as a way to construct systems of thought based on the observation of specific and smaller parts of the economy.

"Friedman and Klein on statistical illusions"

Focusing on the late 1950s controversy between Milton Friedman, Gary Becker, and Lawrence Klein I provide an account of the early discussions on how to evaluate macroeconometric models performance. At this occasion, Friedman and Becker questioned Keynesian macroeconometric models for their inappropriate treatment of the consumption function, and for their inability to yield accurate predictions of income, resulting from the adoption of the wrong criterion to judge models performance. While macroeconometricians' adopted reduced forms extrapolations to evaluate their models, Friedman and Becker insisted on the necessity of carrying out full model simulation to conduct sound model selection. Independently of Friedman and Becker's critical tone, I conclude that their argument can be interpreted as a constructive critique and as a precursor of a criterion to evaluate models performance that became common ground around macroeconometricians in the subsequent decades: full- or dynamic model simulations.

PRE-DOCTORAL WORK

Pinzón-Fuchs, E. (forthcoming) "Review of Andrés Álvarez and Juan Santiago Correa (eds.) *Ideas y políticas económicas en Colombia durante el primer siglo republicano." Iberian Journal of the History of Economic Thought*

Jacques, T. and E. Pinzón-Fuchs (forthcoming) "La construction d'un système statistique : le cas des statistiques du commerce intérieur en France, de 1945 aux années 1970." In Agnès Gramain (ed.) *Sources, données et archives : le travail empirique des historiens et des économistes.* Paris, Publications de la Sorbonne

Goutsmedt, A., E. Pinzón-Fuchs, M. Renault, and F. Sergi (2015) "Critizicing the Lucas Critique: macroeconometricians' response to Robert Lucas." *CES Working paper,* No. 2015.59, August.

Pinzón-Fuchs, E. (2013) "A critical regard to the history of econometrics." Master's dissertation available online at: http://dumas.ccsd.cnrs.fr/dumas-00906285

LANGUAGES

German (mother tongue), Spanish (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (fluent), Portuguese (beginner)