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ABOUT ME

Master's degree in computer science

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PhD Student in Computer Science

Ca' Foscari University of Venice [08/09/2023 – Current]

Address: Via Torino 155, 30170 Venice (Italy) | **Level in EQF:** EQF level 8

Sorting is one of the most powerful techniques for enabling search on a particular data structure. For instance, using binary search is possible to retrieve an item from a sorted list in logarithmic time w.r.t. the list dimension. Similar techniques can be applied also to more convoluted data structures, like for instance finite-state automata. In fact, sorting the states of an automaton based on the strings reaching them enables the development of efficient indexes on the regular language recognized by the automaton itself. This indexing strategy naturally extends the renowned Burrows-Wheeler transform, originally devised for strings, to arbitrary finite-state automata.

During the PhD programme, we aim to significantly improve this indexing strategy by providing efficient algorithms and data structures to sort the states of automaton and to provide time-space efficient techniques to locate patterns with the resulting index. As the current state-of-the-art algorithm to compute such indexes has quadratic time complexity (w.r.t. the number of transitions of the input automaton) this indexing technique is still unfeasible in the realm of the so-called big data. Therefore, to development of a near-linear time algorithm represents a crucial step to make this indexing strategy a viable option for prominent research fields like bioinformatics, where the data dimension has soared exponentially over the past years.

The PhD programme is funded by the following [grant](#) of the European Union and it is supervised by professors Nicola Prezza and Ruben Becker of the Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

MSc in Computer Science, curriculum Big Data Technologies

University of Pisa [09/2021 – 07/2023]

Address: Largo Bruno Pontecorvo 3, 56127 Pisa (Italy) | **Final grade:** 110/110 cum laude |

Level in EQF: EQF level 7 | **Thesis:** Compressing the Burrows-Wheeler transform of finite-state automata using run-length encoding

The master's degree in computer science, curriculum Big Data Technologies, is offered by the Department of Computer Science at the University of Pisa. All the courses are provided entirely in English and are focused on the following topics.

- Design, analysis and implementation of advanced algorithms and data structures to efficiently solve combinatorial problems. Analysis of techniques and algorithms for implementing advanced databases. State-of-the-art techniques and paradigms for the analysis of genome sequences in bioinformatics.
- Principles and paradigms of machine learning. Analysis and implementation of algorithms for data mining.
- Megadata analysis, search engines, and information retrieval.
- High performance computing and parallel computing.

Achieved seven times the grade 30/30 cum laude. Weighted average at the end of studies 30.47/32.

BSc in Computer and Electronic Engineering

University of Perugia [09/2018 – 09/2021]

Address: Via Goffredo Duranti 93, 06125 Perugia (Italy) | **Final grade:** 110/110 con lode | **Level in EQF:** EQF level 6
| **Thesis:** Development of a decentralized blog using Solid technology

Courses attended

- Feedback control systems, Signal theory, Principles of automatic control, Internet basics.
- Algorithms and data structures, Database management systems, Programming (Java and C).
- Logic design and microcontrollers, Circuit theory, Electronic devices and technologies.

Secondary-School Degree

Liceo Scientifico Statale Annesso al Convitto Nazionale "Principe di Napoli" [09/2013 – 07/2018]

Address: Piazza Giacomo Matteotti 67, 06081 Assisi (Italy) | **Final grade:** 100/100

PUBLICATIONS

[2025]

Analysing New Entropy Measures for Tries

Lorenzo Carfagna and Carlo Tosoni, SPIRE 2025

[2025]

Encoding Co-Lex Orders of Finite-State Automata in Linear Space

Ruben Becker, Nicola Cotumaccio, Sung-Hwan Kim, Nicola Prezza, and Carlo Tosoni, CPM 2025

[2024]

Indexing Finite-State Automata Using Forward-Stable Partitions

Ruben Becker, Sung-Hwan Kim, Nicola Prezza, and Carlo Tosoni, SPIRE 2024

HONOURS AND AWARDS

[03/2022] British Council

IELTS Academic 7.0 Listening 7.5, Reading 7.5, Writing 6.5, Speaking 6.0.

[01/2021] Huawei Technologies co. ltd

Huawei HCIA Routing and Switching Certification The HUAWEI HCIA Routing and Switching Certification certifies skills in the core technologies for Networking: IP network connectivity, TCP/IP technologies, Ethernet technologies such as STP and RSTP, VLAN and Link Aggregation and their implementation on Huawei switches.

PEER REVIEWS FOR SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

Reviews for journals

Reviewed articles for the following journals: Information Systems and Algorithms for Molecular Biology.

Reviews for conferences/workshops

Appointed sub-reviewer for the following conferences and workshops: Data Compression Conference (DCC), 2024 and 2025. Symposium on Combinatorial Pattern Matching (CPM), 2024. Conference on Wonderful Algorithms in Bioinformatics (WABI), 2024. Symposium on Simplicity in Algorithms (SOSA), 2024. International Workshop on Combinatorial Algorithms (IWOCA), 2025. European Symposium on Algorithms (ESA), 2025. International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation (ISAAC), 2025. International Symposium on Theoretical Aspects of Computer Science (STACS), 2026.

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

Programming languages and computer skills

Excellent knowledge of programming languages like Java, C++, C#, C. Worked also with HTML, Javascript, and CSS and frameworks such as React, Qwik, and Node.js to develop web applications. Good knowledge also with Python 3 and libraries like Pandas, PyTorch, and Keras to train/test machine learning models and to apply data mining techniques. Familiarity with the programs Unity and Blender for designing virtual realities and creating 3D models. Worked occasionally with Haskell, MATLAB, and Rust.

TALKS

[05/02/2025]

Efficient Indexes for Pangenome Graphs through BWT-Based Data Structures

Workshop Data Structures in Bioinformatics (DSB) 2025.

The talk summarized the state-of-the-art techniques to extend the renowned Burrows-Wheeler transform from strings to arbitrary edge-labeled graphs. As this transform can be used to implement efficient graph indexes on the regular language recognized by the graph itself, it followed that this indexing strategy has a remarkable potential in the field of bioinformatics to index pangenome graphs.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

[01/07/2024 – 05/07/2024]

Tutor for the summer schools SEAA (Scuola estiva di Algoritmi Avanzati)

Ca' Foscari University of Venice

INSTITUTIONAL ROLES

[12/2023 – 12/2025]

Representative of the PhD students in computer science

Appointed representative of the PhD students in computer science at the Ca' Foscari University of Venice for the academic years 2023/24 and 2024/25.

DRIVING LICENCE

Driving Licence: B

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Piano I play piano since I was a child.

Venezia, 04/12/2025



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