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#### Current position

11.2019-01.2023 PhD Candidate

Advisor: Luciano Serafini

Project: Analytical Approaches to Lifted Inference<sup>1</sup>

University of Trento, Italy Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Italy

## Research Experience and Education

2018-2019

Junior Research Fellow

Advisors: Luciano Serafini, Radim Nedbal

Project: Variational Inference in Hybrid Domains

Data and Knowledge Management Unit

Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Italy

2018

MSc in Physics

Advisors: Roberto Iuppa (Unitn), Marco Cristoforetti (FBK)

Thesis: Deep Learning For Track Reconstruction in Next Generation HEP Experiments

Fondazione Bruno Kessler, Italy University of Trento, Italy

2015

BSc in Physics with Honors University of Delhi, India

#### **Conference Publications**

2022

Sagar Malhotra and Luciano Serafini. Weighted Model Counting in FO<sup>2</sup> with Cardinality Constraints and Counting Quantifiers: A Closed Form Formula (Oral presentation) Proceedings of the  $36^{th}$  AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence. arXiv:2110.05992

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Tentative title

Sagar Malhotra and Luciano Serafini. A Combinatorial Approach to Weighted Model Counting in the Two Variable Fragment with Cardinality Constraints Proceedings of the  $20^{th}$  International Conference of the Italian Association for Artificial Intelligence, 2021

## Workshop Publications

Sagar Malhotra and Luciano Serafini. Weighted Model Counting in  ${\rm FO^2}$  with Cardinality Constraints and Counting Quantifiers: A Closed Form Formula  $10^{th}$  International Workshop on Statistical Relational AI, 2021

### Submitted Papers and Preprints

**Sagar Malhotra** and Luciano Serafini. On Projectivity in Markov Logic Networks *Under Review*.arXiv:2204.04009

#### **Talks**

2021

2021

2022

2017

2017

2016

On Projectivity in Markov Logic Networks, DKM Group Seminar
Weighted First-Order Model Counting, AAAI 2022@FBK Workshop

### **Programming Languages**

Fluent: Python, Pandas, ETFX

Familiar: Mathematica, R, Pytorch, HTML

#### Research Interests

Exact and Approximate Probabilistic Inference Consistency of Probabilistic Inference Weighted Model Counting Structure Learning Exponential Random Graphs

#### Awards and Achievements

Bronze medal in TrackML particle tracking challenge on Kaggle.
Part of the winning team in Industrial Problem Solving using Physics
Awarded fully funded trip to Innovation Days-Innsbruck in StartUp Lab, Trento
Awarded full-Scholarship for the Joint Masters in Theoretical Physics at University of
Trento and SISSA- Trieste (Declined)

Awarded Opera Universitaria Scholarship for Masters in Physics at University of Trento Amongst top 5% candidates in the Joint Entrance Screening Test- Physics 2016 among  $\sim$  5000 candidates 
Amongst top 5 % candidates in IIT Joint Admission Test for Masters in Physics 2016 among  $\sim$  10000 candidates