# Daniele Cucurachi

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Summary

Computational physicist with experience in scientific software development and research. Graduated from EPFL, I am currently working with the Quantum Information Group (University of Cambridge) on the development of quantum-classical hybrid algorithms. References available upon request.

Education

**University of Cambridge** Cambridge, UK

Visiting student in the Physics Department

Sep 2022 - May 2023

• Master's thesis at Quantum Information Group

EPFL - École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

Lausanne, Switzerland

Master of Science (MSc) in Applied Physics

Sep 2020 - May 2023

• Average Grade: **5.63/6**, Median Grade: **5.75/6** (top 10%)

Politecnico di Torino Torino, Italy

Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Physics Engineering

Sep 2017 - Jul 2020

• Final Grade: **110/110 cum laude** (top 5%) Professional Experience

**Research Assistant** Cambridge, UK

University of Cambridge May 2023 - Present

· Developed a hybrid algorithm for optimizing parametrized proposal strategies in quantum-enhanced Monte Carlo Markov chains. A Python simulator (state vector method) will soon be available at https://qithub.com/DanieleCucurachi/QMCMC.qit (work in progress).

**Quantum Software Engineer** 

Helsinki, Finland

**IQM Quantum Computers** 

Feb 2022 - Aug 2022

- · Developed Python libraries for the design and simulation of superconducting quantum processors (QPUs):
  - · Conducted code reviews and code design for projects involving up to 15 contributors, ensuring code quality.
  - Collaborated closely with the IQM Fabrication Team to design photomasks' layouts and various components of quantum processors, submitting approximately 25 merge/pull requests within my first six months.
  - Developed a routing protocol for routing complex quantum processors which is currently used by the IQM Design & Simulations Team.
- Simulated and analyzed the electromagnetic performance of superconducting quantum circuits elements using ANSYS HFSS.

## **Research Projects**

#### **Hybrid Quantum Circuits Lab**

Lausanne, Switzerland

Sep 2021 - Jan 2022

Designed coplanar waveguides for slow light applications in superconducting circuits. The project involved computer simulations (Sonnet and ANSYS HFSS) and the development of a Python library to optimize and speed up the design process of the devices.

#### **Laboratory of Semiconductor Materials**

Lausanne, Switzerland

Sep 2020 - Jan 2021

Characterized Ge-Si core-shell quantum dots through TEM and Raman spectroscopy in order to optimize the crystallization process (Rapid Thermal Annealing) and achieve the necessary crystal quality to utilize them as hole spins qubits.

### Technical Skills

**Programming Languages** Python, C (basic)

**Python Packages** 

Qiskit, PyTorch, Scikit-Learn, KQCircuits, Gdspy, QuTip, Numpy, Pandas, Scipy, Matplotlib

**Software & Tools** 

GitLab and GitHub with Git for collaborative programming, ANSYS High Frequency Simulation Software (HFSS),

KLayout, Sonnet Software, LTspice (analog circuit simulations), LTFX

**Experience with** Algorithms, Simulations, Data Analysis and Visualization | **OS:** Windows, Linux

## Associations

**Vice President EPFL Quantum Computing Association**  Lausanne, Switzerland

• Secured sponsorship and event funding from the company Quantum Machines.

Feb 2021 - Sep 2022

· As team leader for a group of five, organized three successful association events and managed advertising campaigns to promote them.

· Last organized event "EPFL Quantum Hackathon": approximately 100 international participants, the event focused on chemistry simulations with quantum computers.

# Languages

Italian Native Proficiency

**English** Full Professional Proficiency: Level C1 - C2

**French** Elementary Proficiency: Level A2

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