Emanuele La Malfa

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Education

University of Oxford Oct. 2019 - Present PhD/DPhil Student in Computer Science, advised by prof. Marta Z. Kwiatkowska Oxford, UK **Polytechnic University of Milan** Feb. 2015 - Sept. 2017 Master's Degree in Computer Science and Engineering Milan, Italy **Polytechnic University of Milan** Sept. 2011 - Sept. 2014 Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering Milan, Italy

Work Experience

Research Assistant Oct. 2019 - Mar. 2021

Enabling rapid adoption of artificial intelligence through an anonymized data protocol and explainable models.

University of Oxford, UK

- Collaboration with GenieAI.
- Funded through the InnovateUK scheme.
- The collaboration led to a paper published at EMNLP'20.

Consultant Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2019 IBM, Milan, Italy

Consultant - IBM architect path -

- Design, development and deploy of a search engine for a public financial institution.
- Design, development and deploy of a cloud document management system for a public financial institution.

Publications

NLP and Linguistics

Emergent Linguistic Structures in Neural Networks are Fragile

Under review (long paper)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Matthew Wicker, Marta Kwiatkowska

The King is Naked: on the Notion of Robustness for Natural Language Processing

AAAI'22 (long paper, main track) (oral presentation)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Marta Kwiatkowska

On Guaranteed Optimal Robust Explanations for NLP Models

IJCAI'21 (long paper, main track)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Rhiannon Michelmore, Agnieszka Zbrzeny, Nicola Paoletti, Marta Kwiatkowska

Assessing Robustness of Text Classification through Maximal Safe Radius Computation

EMNLP'20 (long paper)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Min Wu, Luca Laurenti, Benjie Wang, Anthony Hartshorn, Marta Kwiatkowska

Complex Networks Theory and Deep Learning

Deep Neural Networks as Complex Networks

Under review (long paper)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Gabriele La Malfa*, Claudio Caprioli, Giuseppe Nicosia, Vito Latora

Characterizing Learning Dynamics of Deep Neural Networks via Complex Networks

IEEE-ICTAI'21 (long paper, main track)

Emanuele La Malfa*, Gabriele La Malfa*, Giuseppe Nicosia, Vito Latora

Teaching Experience

Ethical Computing in Practice	2023 (HT)
Practical sessions	University of Oxford, UK
Deep Learning in Healthcare	2023 (HT)
Practical sessions	University of Oxford, UK
Probabilistic Model Checking	2022 (MT)
Practical sessions	University of Oxford, UK
Machine Learning	2021 (MT)
Classes	University of Oxford, UK
Probabilistic Model Checking	2021 (MT)
Practical sessions	University of Oxford, UK
Fundamentals of Computer Science	2016 (OctDec.)
Practical sessions	Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy

Invited Lectures, Talks and Presentations

On the Notion of Robustness for Natural Language Processing 17/01/2023 Departmental Talk King's College University of London, UK **Robustness for Natural Language Processing** 22/04/2022

Lecture – Deep Fridays University of Bologna, Italy **Explainable AI** 04/03/2022

Lecture - Advanced Artificial Intelligence Course Royal Holloway University of London, UK

Tutoring and Mentoring

University of Oxford 2022

Tutoring of a student who I followed with his master's thesis.

Lead the Future - Mentor 2022

Lead the Future is a no-profit organization that helps Italian talents in STEM disciplines to find their path to brilliant careers.

Miscellaneous

Programming Languages: Python (fluent), worked with many languages/tools as part of my profession (C, js, ...)

Languages: Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)

Conference Chair: LOD2020, LOD2021, LOD2022

Interests: Books (any kind, any topic)

Volunteering

The Kharkiv and Przemyśl Project

I spent a week in Przemyśl (Poland) as a volunteer to help refugees who arrived (returned) from (to) Ukraine. **Ukrainian Global University - Interviewer**

I interviewed a dozen of perspective undergraduate Ukrainian students who want to study in a partner university abroad.

Eutanasia Legale - Volunteer

July 2021

I have collected signatures for a referendum to decriminalize euthanasia. The overall campaign gathered 1.2 million valid signatures.

Awards and Scolarships

Trinity College Graduate Scholarship

2020-21, 2021-2022

August 2022

June-May 2022

Trinity College, University of Oxford, UK