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## Publications & Pre-prints

• Vincenti, J., Sadek, K. A. A., Velja, J., Nulli, M. & Jazbec M. Dynamic Vocabulary Pruning in Early-Exit LLMs, NeurIPS ENLSP 2024, arXiv:2410.18952.

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- Sadek, K. A. A., Nulli, M., Velja, J., & Vincenti, J. 'Explaining RL Decisions with Trajectories': A Reproducibility Study. Transactions on Machine Learning Research, 2024.

## EDUCATION

## University of Amsterdam

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Email: matteo.nulli@outlook.com

MSc in Artificial Intelligence; GPA: 4.0/4.0 (8.3/10)

Sep 2023 - Sep 2025

o Relevant Courses: Foundation Models, Deep Learning 1 & 2, Computer Vision, Natural Language Processing, Information Retrieval, Machine Learning 1.

# Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi

• MLLMs: Research intern on Multimodal LLMs.

Milan, Italy

- BSc in Mathematics and Computing Sciences for Artificial Intelligence; GPA: 3.6/4.0 (99/110) Sep 2020 - July 2023
  - o Thesis: Analysed Generative Adversarial Networks and Recurrent Neural Networks with time-series financial data to determine future prices of stocks.
  - Relevant Courses: Machine Learning, Mathematical Modelling for Finance, Mathematical Analysis 1,2 & 3, Physics 1 & 2, Statistical and Quantum Physics, Optimization Algorithms, Programming.

## University of Sydney

Sydney, Australia

Exchange Semester in Applied Mathematics and Computing Sciences; GPA: 3.6/4.0

Feb 2023 - July 2023

July 2024 - Current

- Scholarship: Selected by merit and received a full ride scholarship of 26,500 A\$.
- o Relevant Courses: Stochastic Processes (Adv), Big Data and Data Diversity (Adv), Deep Learning

#### EXPERIENCE

eBay

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Applied Scientist

- Focus: Pre-processing, pre-training and fine-tuning VLMs for eCommerce-oriented tasks. Theoretical research on
- architecture and post-training optimization methods.

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Milan, Italy

June 2022 - Sep 2022

Machine Learning Engineer

• VAEs: Learned PyTorch library and developed Variational Auto-encoders from scratch.

**BAINSA** Co-Founder

Milan, Italy Jan 2022 - July 2023

- AI association: Founded first Artificial Intelligence association at Bocconi.
- Events: Spread awareness & perception on AI's applications through events held inside and outside the university.
- o Partners: Main Partners include Bending Spoons, Vedrai and Insitute Europia.

## **PROJECTS**

- Machine Learning for Breast Cancer Cells analysis: Competition winner AI-Lab, 2022.

  Utilized Unsupervised and Supervised ML methods (Tree based methods and Deep Neural Network) to analyse breast cancer cells and capture interactions between them. Detected with a success rate of 95% Hypoxic vs Normoxic cells. Won the competition among peers and presented our findings at the University of Oxford Oncology Department. Supervised by professor Francesca Buffa.
- Model compression for Machine Translation on ALMA Models: University project, 2024.
  Applied several quantization (GPTQ, Q-LoRA, SmoothQuant) and pruning (Wanda, DSnot) techniques to ALMA-7B.
  Combined Wanda + GPTQ to obtain memory gains up to 3.5x.
- Content-Based Retrieval Ranking and Re-Ranking Systems: University project, 2024.

  Applied Neural-IR ranking and re-ranking methods through Cross-Encoder, Sparse and Dense Encoders with BERT Transformer. Achieved a 4% enhancement in performance when combining Dense and Cross-Encoders together.
- CLIP based visual prompting, Transfer Learning CNNs: University project, 2023. Learned different Visual prompts through CLIP and adapted network to different datasets.
- Deep Generative models and Transformer based models: University project, 2023.

  Implementing causal self-attention in gpt-2 and developed Variational Auto-encoders and Adversarial Auto-encoders from scratch in PyTorch.

## Scholarships & Awards

- Scholarship: University of Sydney, full ride scholarship of 26,500 A\$.
- Award: University of Oxford, Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi.
  Al-Lab Competition Winner, presented the project at Oncology Department at University of Oxford, received travel reimbursement. Supervised by professor Francesca Buffa.
- Scholarship: Mario Negri Foundation, scholarship of 800\$.

## SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, R, SQL, LaTeX, C (Beginner)

Libraries: Pytorch, OpenCV, Transformers, SciPy, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Scikit Learn, CLIP, ...

Languages: Italian (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Fluent)

## Volunteering

- Class Representative: University of Sydney, 2023.

  Representing my fellow students within the faculty whilst talking with professors to solve problems of the class.
- Technical Consultant ML Engeneering: BSI Bocconi Build Sustainable Innovation, 2021-2023.

  Implemented ML & Statistical based solutions for Companies. Applied Data analysis techniques to costumer provided datasets.
- Institute Representative Head Student: Liceo Scientifico G.B. Grassi Latina, 2019-2020.

  In my senior year I was appointed to be the Head Student for my High School representing more than 1500 students. During this period I worked together with the Head Master to manage the school's problems and improved my public speech abilities.

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