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## Professional Summary

Ph.D. Candidate specializing in **Randomized Algorithms**, **Probabilistic Modelling**, and **High-Dimensional Data** with a foundational background in **Theoretical Physics**. Proven track record of publishing at top-tier AI venues (**NeurIPS** and **ICML** with a spotlight work). Expert in designing efficient algorithms for complex data constraints, with deep proficiency in **Python**. Seeking ML Research or Engineering roles to apply rigorous statistical inference to large-scale, real-world challenges.

## Technical Expertise

**Core Foundations:** Randomized Algorithms, Differential Privacy, Statistical Inference, Probabilistic Modelling, High-Dimensional Geometry, Network Science, Statistical and Quantum Physics.

**AI & Data Science:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, NumPy, Pandas, GeoPandas, Scipy, Matplotlib/Seaborn.

**Engineering:** Python (Expert), Rust & C++ (Functional proficiency), SQL, Bash, Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

**Domain Focus:** Trustworthy AI (Private training and Fairness), Private Data Science, Urban Analytics, Complex Systems Modelling, Mobility Data Science.

## Education

### Ph.D. in Information Engineering (Computer Science)

University of Padova

2022 – 2026

- **Research Focus:** Algorithms for Differential Privacy, High Dimensional Similarity Search, and Mobility.
- **Key Achievements:** Results published at **ICML**, **NeurIPS**, **PETS**, and **FORC** on private quantile estimations, private nearest neighbour counting in high dimension, and private release of mobility data.
- **Collaboration:** Industrial PhD in partnership with **Motion Analytica Srl**.
- **Supervisors:** Prof. Francesco Silvestri, Prof. Martin Aumüller.

### M.Sc. in Physics

University of Padova, 110/110 cum laude

2019 – 2022

- **Thesis:** Problems of Ranking and Dynamics of Complex Bipartite Networks in Economic Complexity.
- **Specialization:** Statistical Physics, Complex Systems, and Many-Body Quantum Theory.

### B.Sc. in Physics

University of Padova, 105/110

2016 – 2019

- **Thesis:** Solitons in Classical and Quantum Fluids.

## Research Experience

IT University of Copenhagen & Basic Algorithmic Research Copenhagen  
Visiting Researcher

Denmark  
2024

- Investigated **Locality Sensitive Filters** for differentially private approximate counting queries under the supervision of Prof. Martin Aumüller; resulted in a publication at the **Foundations of Responsible Computing (FORC)**.
- Researched **Quantile Estimation under Local Differential Privacy** with the Providentia group, led by Prof. Rasmus Pagh. Resulted in a **Spotlight publication** at the **International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)**.

### Motion Analytica Srl

*Ph.D. Researcher*

**Padova, Italy**

2022 – 2025

- **Project Lead:** Orchestrated a comprehensive **15-Minute City analysis**, integrating privacy-preserving mobility metrics into urban planning frameworks; resulted in a peer-reviewed journal publication.
- **Privacy Research:** Analyzed the release of origin-destination data under differential privacy, resulting in a publication at the **Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium (PETS)**.

### Ruprecht Karl University of Heidelberg

*Erasmus+ Scholar*

**Germany**

2020 – 2021

- Focus on Monte Carlo Simulations, Quantum Information, and Advanced Statistical Physics.

## Grants and Scholarships

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**2024: Ing. Aldo Gini Foundation Scholarship:** Funding for research period in Copenhagen.

**2024: Oxford DP Bootcamp:** Selected participant for the Oblivious Differential Privacy bootcamp (Oxford, UK).

## Prior Professional Experience

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**2019 – 2020:** Academic Support: Physics Tutor & Librarian, University of Padova.

**2016 – 2022:** Service Industry: Part-time and seasonal roles as Bartender and Waiter (Events and 4-star hospitality). Managed high-pressure environments while completing academic degrees.

## Professional References

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- **Prof. Francesco Silvestri** (PhD Supervisor, University of Padova) – silvestri@dei.unipd.it
- **Prof. Martin Aumüller** (Associate Prof, ITU Copenhagen) – maau@itu.dk

## Interests & Community

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**Music:** Bassist (5 years Jazz training) and Producer. Released progressive rock album *L'assenzio* with *Elettroliti*.

**Outdoor:** Sport climbing and hiking. Assistant guide for *The South Adventure* youth hiking excursions.

## List of Publications

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- [2] Anders Aamand, Fabrizio Boninsegna, Abigail Gentle, Jacob Imola, and Rasmus Pagh. “Lightweight Protocols for Distributed Private Quantile Estimation”. In: *Proceedings of the 42nd*

*International Conference on Machine Learning*. Vol. 267. Proceedings of Machine Learning Research. 13–19 Jul 2025, pp. 27–58. URL: <https://proceedings.mlr.press/v267/aamand25a.html>.

- [3] Fabrizio Boninsegna and Francesco Silvestri. “Differentially Private Release of Hierarchical Origin/Destination Data with a TopDown Approach”. In: *Proceedings on Privacy Enhancing Technologies Symposium* (2025).
- [4] Martin Aumüller, Fabrizio Boninsegna, and Francesco Silvestri. “Differentially Private High-Dimensional Approximate Range Counting, Revisited”. In: *6th Symposium on Foundations of Responsible Computing*. 2025.
- [5] Fabrizio Boninsegna, Alessandro Nalin, Andrea Simone, Bruno Zamengo, Denis Cappellari, and Francesco Silvestri. “Towards a Fair and Comprehensive Evaluation of Walkable Accessibility and Attractivity in the 15 Min City Scenario Based on Demographic Data”. In: *Infrastructures* 11.1 (2026). ISSN: 2412-3811. DOI: 10.3390/infrastructures11010004. URL: <https://www.mdpi.com/2412-3811/11/1/4>.
- [6] Hannah Keller, Jacob Imola, Fabrizio Boninsegna, Rasmus Pagh, and Amrita Roy Chowdhury. *Piquant $\epsilon$ : Private Quantile Estimation in the Two-Server Model*. 2025. arXiv: 2509.14035v1 [cs.CR]. URL: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2509.14035v1>.
- [7] Fabrizio Boninsegna. *InftDA: A Simple TopDown Mechanism for Hierarchical Differentially Private Counting Queries*. Workshop on Theory and Practice of Differential Privacy (TPDP). 2025. arXiv: 2505.05347 [cs.DS]. URL: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2505.05347>.
- [8] Jacob Imola, Fabrizio Boninsegna, Hannah Keller, Anders Aamand, Amrita Roy Chowdhury, and Rasmus Pagh. *Private Quantile Estimation in the Two Server Model*. Workshop on Theory and Practice of Differential Privacy (TPDP). 2025.
- [9] Fabrizio Boninsegna. “Locality Sensitive Hashing of Trajectories Under Local Differential Privacy”. In: *Proceedings of the 31st Symposium of Advanced Database Systems, Galzingano Terme, Italy, July 2nd to 5th, 2023*. Vol. 3478. CEUR Workshop Proceedings. 2023, pp. 681–687. URL: <https://ceur-ws.org/Vol-3478/paper56.pdf>.