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## Education

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### University of Udine

Udine

#### PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

2021 - present

- Advisor: Prof. Carla Piazza
- Research Topics: Quantum Computation, Quantum Circuit Minimization, Quantum Automata, Graphs, Optimization
- Visiting Student for 3 months at Technical University of Munich with Prof. Robert Wille
- Founding member of the Quantum Computing Lab at University of Udine
- Organizer of the European Summer School on Quantum AI - EQAI

### University of Udine

Udine

#### MASTER DEGREE COMPUTER SCIENCE

2018 - 2021

- Advisor: Prof. Carla Piazza
- Thesis: Quantum Automata. An introduction to Quantum Automata Theory, followed by some original material on a new quantum automata model.
- 110/110 cum laude

### University of Udine

Udine

#### BACHELOR DEGREE COMPUTER SCIENCE

2015 - 2018

- Advisor: Prof. Carla Piazza
- Thesis: Models of Quantum Computation. An introduction to Quantum Turing Machine and Quantum Complexity Theory.
- 110/110 cum laude

## Research Interests

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- Encoding of graphs for the quantum setting [RC22, JLAMP]
- Graphs Theory as a tool for Quantum Computation [CILC23BSP, JLS]
- Quantum Automata models, Quantum Automata Expressiveness [QEST22]
- Minimization of Quantum Circuits [CIL23, AIQxQIA]
- Classical Automata Minimization [ICTCS22]
- Neural Network Reduction [AlxIA22, NN]
- Blockchain and AI [JNCA]

## Professional Experience

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2018-2021 **Junior Software Developer**, Blue Reply

## Publications

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### PUBLISHED - JOURNALS

[JLAMP] Della Giustina Davide, Piazza Carla, Riccardi Brian, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2023. Quantum encoding of dynamic directed graphs. Journal of Logical and Algebraic Methods in Programming.

### PUBLISHED - CONFERENCES

[ICTCS22] Bianchini Christian, Policriti Alberto, Riccardi Brian, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2022. Incremental NFA Minimization. CEUR WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS, 3284, 161–173.

- [RC22] Della Giustina Davide, Piazza Carla, Riccardi Brian, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2022. Directed Graph Encoding in Quantum Computing Supporting Edge-Failures. International Conference on Reversible Computation, 75–92.
- [QEST22] Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2022. Mirrors and Memory in Quantum Automata. International Conference on Quantitative Evaluation of Systems, 359–380.
- [AIXIA22] Ressi Dalila, **Romanello Riccardo**, Rossi Sabina, Piazza Carla. 2022. Neural Networks Reduction via Lumping. International Conference of the Italian Association for Artificial Intelligence, 75–90.
- [CILC23] Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**, Wille Robert. 2023. An ASP Approach for the Synthesis of CNOT Minimal Quantum Circuits. CEUR WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS, 3428.
- [CILC23BSP] Della Schiava Alex, Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2023. Graph-Theoretical Arguments in Support of a Quantum Declarative Manifesto. CEUR WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS, 3428. **BEST STUDENT PAPER AWARD**
- [AIQxQIA] Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2023. Synthesis of CNOT minimal quantum circuits with topological constraints through ASP. CEUR WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS, 3586.

## UNDER REVIEW

- [JNCA] Ressi Dalila, **Romanello Riccardo**, Piazza Carla, Rossi Sabina. AI-Enhanced Blockchain Technology: a Review of Advancements and Opportunities. Journal of Network and Computer Applications.
- [JCTS] Bianchini Christian, Policriti Alberto, **Romanello Riccardo**, Riccardi Brian. Incremental NFA Minimization. Journal of Theoretical Computer Science.
- [JLC] Della Schiava Alex, Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2023. Classical Computation over Quantum Architectures. Journal of Logic and Computation.
- [NN] Ressi Dalila, **Romanello Riccardo**, Rossi Sabina, Piazza Carla. Compressing Neural Networks via Formal Methods. Neural Networks.

## IN PREP

Della Schiava Alex, **Romanello Riccardo**. Topological Quantum Computation for Computer Scientists.

**Romanello Riccardo**. State of the Art of the CNOT-Minimization Problem.

## Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

2019	<b>Best Computer Science Student</b> , University of Udine, Dies Academicus	500€
2020	<b>Advance badge</b> , IBM Quantum Challenge	

## Presentations

*\* presenting author; + mentored undergraduate*

### CONTRIBUTED PRESENTATIONS

- Della Giustina Davide, Piazza Carla, Brian Riccardi, **Romanello Riccardo\***. 2022. Directed Graph Encoding in Quantum Computing Supporting Edge-Failures. Oral presentation: Reversible Computation 2022, Urbino, Italy.
- Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo\***. 2022. Mirrors and Memory in Quantum Automata. Oral presentation: QEST 2022, Warsaw, Poland.
- Romanello Riccardo\***. 2022. On the Role of Graphs in Quantum Computation. Departmental seminar: Technical University of Munich, Group of Design Automation and Software Tools for Quantum Computing.
- Romanello Riccardo\***. 2023. On the Minimization of (CNOT, T) Gates in Quantum Circuits. Departmental seminar: Technical University of Munich, Group of Design Automation and Software Tools for Quantum Computing.
- Romanello Riccardo\***. 2023. Lumpabilities in PEPA. Presentation held during the PRIN2020 annual meeting. University of Venice, Italy.
- Della Schiava Alex<sup>++</sup>, Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo**. 2023. Graph-Theoretical Arguments in Support of a Quantum Declarative Manifesto. CILC 23, Udine, Italy.

Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo\***, Wille Robert. 2023. An ASP Approach for the Synthesis of CNOT Minimal Quantum Circuits. CILC 23, Udine, Italy.

Piazza Carla, **Romanello Riccardo\***. Synthesis of CNOT minimal quantum circuits with topological constraints through ASP. AIQxQIA 2023, Rome, Italy.

## Teaching Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Winter 2022	<b>Elements of Mathematics and Linear Algebra</b> , Teaching Assistant	University of Udine
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## Mentoring \_\_\_\_\_

2023	<b>Alex Della Schiava</b> , Master Thesis co-supervisor, <i>Title: Graph encoding in Quantum Computing</i>	University of Udine
2023	<b>Francesco Decataldo</b> , Bachelor Thesis co-supervisor, <i>Title: An algorithm for the T-Count of Clifford+T circuits</i>	University of Udine
2024	<b>Diego Borsoi</b> , Master Thesis co-supervisor, <i>Title: On the Role of Graphs in Measurement-Based Quantum Computation</i>	University of Udine
2024	<b>Davide Della Giustina</b> , Master Thesis co-supervisor	University of Udine

## Outreach \_\_\_\_\_

### SERVICE AND OUTREACH

2015 - Today	<b>Private Tutoring</b> , I have been in charge of tutoring high schools students in Math, Physics and Computer Science	
2022	<b>QEST22</b> , Staff member	Warsaw
2022	<b>EQAI22 European Summer School on Quantum AI</b> , Organizer	Udine
2023	<b>EQAI23 2nd European Summer School on Quantum AI</b> , Organizer	Udine
2023	<b>AIQ x QIA</b> , Member of the Program Committee at AIQxQIA 23	Rome

## Reviewer Activities \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed papers for ICTCS23, Gandalf23, IEEE QSW, AIQxQIA.

## Professional Memberships \_\_\_\_\_

Member of the PRIN 2020 project (Udine research unit), *Title: Noninterference and Reversibility Analysis in Private Blockchains*.  
AlxIA annual membership.

## Further informations \_\_\_\_\_

For any kind of additional information or curiosity you may have, any of the following professor/researcher will be happy to answer your questions:

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