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## Summary

In 2017 I moved from Salerno to Milano with the intent of building my career in the aerospace field. I started the MSc pointing to have a good comprehension of internal and external flow physics, so I decided to create a personalized learning track based on CFD, turbomachinery design and flows modeling. Over the next few years, I intend to develop as aerospace engineer in the field of turbomachinery analysis, modeling and optimization. I am also interested in external aerodynamics, its modeling and the study of aeroelastic effects. During my training program at von Karman Institute for fluid dynamics, I worked on a novelty method based on machine learning adapted to turbomachinery. Currently I am working on extending this method to all the possible types of turbomachines in order to generate a universal designing tool.

## Education

### von Karman Institute for Fluid Dynamics

*Sint-Genesius-Rode, Belgium*

SHORT TRAINING PROGRAM · TURBOMACHINERY & MACHINE LEARNING

2022 - 2023

### Politecnico di Milano

*Milano, Italy*

MASTER DEGREE IN AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERING · AERODYNAMICS & PROPULSION TRACK

2021 - 2023

BACHERLOR DEGREE IN AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

2017 - 2020

## Projects

### datablade

*Milano, Italy*

PRIVATE PROJECT

May 2023 - present

- Continuation of my MSc thesis work
- Extention of the capabilities of the program to LPT and compressors
- GUI generation

### Machine Learning for Turbomachinery · Master Thesis

*Sint-Genesius-Rode, Belgium*

SHORT TRAINING PROGRAM · VON KARMAN INSTITUTE FOR FLUID DYNAMICS

Oct 2022 - Nov 2022

Feb 2023 - Apr 2023

- von Karman Institute in-house program (developed from scratch)
- 2D airfoil database generation
- Machine learning adapted to turbomachinery blades

### Aerospace Control Systems

*Milano, Italy*

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/controlPRJ>

CONTROL DYNAMICS

May 2022 - Jun 2022

- System dynamics study
- Stability analysis
- System uncertainties analysis
- Controllers design

### Liquid Rocket Engine: Design, Analysis and Simulation

*Milano, Italy*

<https://antoniopucciarelli.github.io/assets/pdf/spacePropulsionPRJ.pdf>

SPACECRAFT PROPULSION

May 2022 - May 2022

- Tanks, combustion chamber and nozzle design
- Unsteady firing simulation with NASA CEA wrapping
- Monte Carlo analysis of the thrust with respect to the uncertainties related to the manufacturing process

### Solid Rocket Motor: Firing Test Data Analysis and Simulation

*Salerno, Italy*

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/spacePropulsionFlipped>

SPACECRAFT PROPULSION

Apr 2022 - May 2022

- Vieille's law computation from firing test pressure traces
- Ballistic simulation of a solid rocket engine with different nozzles
- Monte Carlo analysis of the firing time with respect to the uncertainties on the Vieille's law

## Axial Compressor Preliminary Design

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/turboLIB>

TURBOMACHINERY

[Salerno, Italy](#)

Mar 2022 - May 2022

- Mean line design
- Pressure losses modeling
- Non isentropic radial equilibrium study
- 3D blade shape design
- Python library – **turboLIB**

## Combustion Chamber Modeling

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/CFDprj>

CFD · FLUID DYNAMICS & COMBUSTION MODELING

[Milano, Italy](#)

Oct 2021 - Jan 2022

- 2D & 3D analysis of an hydrocarbon combustion in a combustion chamber using the finite volume method
- Unsteady compressible reactive simulation in OpenFOAM
- Finite volume method analysis of the problem: topology, solution procedure and solvers
- Spray modeling in a finite volume method code
- Wall surface analysis in a finite volume method code
- Turbulence modeling

## EnelX Value Proposition: Sketch, Analysis and Validation

<https://antoniopucciarelli.github.io/assets/pdf/HTSprj.pdf>

HIGH-TECH STARTUP

[Milano, Italy](#)

Sep 2021 - Jan 2022

- Value proposition generation
- Validation of the value proposition and business model

## Injector Study and Liquid Jet Break Up in Liquid Rocket Engines

<https://antoniopucciarelli.github.io/assets/pdf/LRE.pdf>

COMBUSTION

[Milano, Italy](#)

May 2021 - Jun 2021

- Liquid rocket engine analysis
- Liquid jet break-up qualitative analysis and implication in the combustion chamber

## Weissinger Method: Study, Analysis and Coding

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/aeroWEISS>

AERODYNAMICS

[Milano, Italy](#)

Dec 2020 - Jan 2021

- Incompressible study of the flow over 3D wings using a horseshoe vortex based method
- Analysis of the 3D drag on a wing for a potential flow
- Ground effect study
- Matlab program – **aeroWEISS**

## Hess-Smith Method: Study, Analysis and Coding

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/aeroHS>

AERODYNAMICS

[Milano, Italy](#)

Jun 2020 - Jan 2021

- Potential flow study using the Hess-Smith model based on vortex/sources/sinks distribution over an airfoil
- Analysis of the interaction between two airfoils in tandem
- Ground effect analysis
- Fortran program – **aeroHS**

## Satellite Orbital Transfer Analysis

<https://antoniopucciarelli.github.io/assets/pdf/IAMSprj.pdf>

ORBITAL DYNAMICS

[Milano, Italy](#)

May 2020 - Jun 2020

- Study and generation of three orbital transfers for a satellite
- Comparison the three sketched orbital maneuver

## Canard Wing: Modeling and Analysis

STRUCTURAL DYNAMICS

[Milano, Italy](#)

May 2020 - Jun 2020

- Canard wing mesh generation and load application in FEMAP
- Results computation using NASTRAN
- Static analysis under loading
- Free modes analysis

## RL10-A33A: Modeling, Study and Analysis

<https://antoniopucciarelli.github.io/assets/pdf/RL10.pdf>

<https://github.com/antoniopucciarelli/NHE>

AEROSPACE PROPULSION

[Milano, Italy](#)

Nov 2019 - Jun 2020

- Analysis and reverse engineering design of the Pratt & Whitney liquid rocket engine
- 1D heat exchange simulation of the nozzle in Matlab – **NHE**

# Writing

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## Paper Publication

*Sint-Genesius-Rode, Belgium*

RESEARCHER · VON KARMAN INSTITUTE FOR FLUID DYNAMICS

*Oct 2023 - present*

- Working with Prof. Sergio Lavagnoli on writing a paper on *Data Driven Design Methods in Turbomachinery*. This paper will be published by Elsevier. The content of this work is a slight extension of my thesis work.

# Skills

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**Programming** Python, Fortran, C/C++, Matlab,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , CMake, GNUplot

**Programs** OpenFOAM, NASTRAN, openscad, xFOIL, NASA CEA, xflr5, Femap, SolidWorks, SolidEdge, Inventor

# Languages

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**Italian** Native

**English** Full Proficiency · writing, speaking, listening

**Norwegian** Basic knowledge · self-taught

## Marks

<b>Master degree • Aeronautical engineering</b>	<b>120 CFU</b>	<b>27.26 / 30</b>
◦ Aerodynamics	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Aerospace control systems	6 CFU	30 / 30
◦ Aerospace structures	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Aircraft engines	6 CFU	25 / 30
◦ Airplane performance and dynamics	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Combustion in thermochemical propulsion	8 CFU	28 / 30
◦ Computational techniques for thermochemical propulsion	8 CFU	30 / 30
◦ High-tech startups: creating and scaling up I	6 CFU	26 / 30
◦ Numerical modeling of differential problems	6 CFU	30L / 30
◦ Turbomachinery B	8 CFU	28 / 30
◦ Turbulence: physics and modeling	8 CFU	26 / 30
◦ Space propulsion B	6 CFU	26 / 30
◦ Structural dynamics and aeroelasticity	10 CFU	25 / 30
◦ Degree in <b>Aeronautical Engineering</b> - Thesis with <b>Opposer</b>	20 CFU	
<b>Bachelor degree • Aerospace engineering</b>	<b>180 CFU</b>	<b>27.23 / 30</b>
◦ Analisi e geometria 1	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Analisi e geometria 2	10 CFU	29 / 30
◦ Calcolo numerico ed elementi di analisi	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Dinamica di sistemi aerospaziali	8 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Elettrotecnica e elettronica applicata	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Fisica tecnica	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Fluidodinamica	10 CFU	21 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di automatica	8 CFU	28 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di chimica	7 CFU	24 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di fisica sperimentale	12 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di meccanica del volo atmosferico	5 CFU	28 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di meccanica strutturale	10 CFU	26 / 30
◦ Fondamenti di sperimentazione aerospaziale	6 CFU	20 / 30
◦ Impianti e sistemi aerospaziali	8 CFU	25 / 30
◦ Informatica	6 CFU	25 / 30
◦ Introduzione all'analisi di missioni aerospaziali	2 CFU	30 / 30
◦ Istituzioni di ingegneria aerospaziale	8 CFU	26 / 30
◦ Meccanica aerospaziale	10 CFU	27 / 30
◦ Metodi di rappresentazione tecnica	7 CFU	29 / 30
◦ Modellazione di strutture aerospaziali	6 CFU	22 / 30
◦ Propulsione aerospaziale	7 CFU	23 / 30
◦ Tecnologie e materiali aerospaziali	7 CFU	24 / 30
◦ Prova finale di analisi di missioni aerospaziali	1 CFU	30 / 30
◦ Prova finale di propulsione aerospaziale	1 CFU	30L / 30
◦ Prova finale di tecnologie e materiali aerospaziali	1 CFU	24 / 30