

# Claudia Rella

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## EDUCATION

### Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematical Physics

2020, Sep – present

*Department of Theoretical Physics, University of Geneva, Switzerland*

Thesis: Supervised by Prof. Marcos Marino.

Affiliations: ERC Synergy Grant ReNewQuantum – National Centre of Competence in Research SwissMAP.

### Master of Science in Mathematical and Theoretical Physics – Distinction

2018, Oct – 2019, Jun

*Mathematical Institute and Department of Physics, University of Oxford, UK*

Thesis: *Motivic Amplitudes*. Supervised by Prof. Francis Brown.

Affiliations: St John's College.

Coursework in Physics: General Relativity – Relativistic Quantum Field Theory – Gauge Field Theory – Bosonic String Theory – The Standard Model and Beyond – Topological Quantum Field Theory – Topological Quantum Matter – Topological Quantum Computation – Radiative Processes and High-Energy Astrophysics.

Coursework in Mathematics: Groups Representations – Algebraic Geometry – Algebraic Topology.

### Bachelor of Science in Physics – Summa cum Laude

2015, Oct – 2018, Jun

*Department of Physics, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy*

Thesis: *Photonic Bloch Waves*. Supervised by Prof. Fabio Sciarrino.

Coursework in Physics: Classical, Analytical and Relativistic Mechanics – Inorganic Chemistry – Thermodynamics – Non-Relativistic Electromagnetism – Non-Relativistic Quantum Mechanics – Classical and Quantum Statistical Mechanics – Nuclear and Subnuclear Physics – Atomic and Molecular Physics – Optics and Photonics.

Laboratory Coursework: Mechanics – Thermodynamics – Electronics – Signals and Systems – Optics.

Coursework in Informatics: C Programming Language – Numerical Analysis – Algorithms.

Coursework in Mathematics: Linear Algebra – Real Analysis – Complex and Functional Analysis – Probability Calculus. Number Theory <sup>(\*)</sup> – Groups, Rings and Fields <sup>(\*)</sup> – Numerical Semigroups <sup>(\*)</sup> – Galois Theory <sup>(\*)</sup> – Modules and Algebras <sup>(\*)</sup> – Representation Theory <sup>(\*)</sup> – Lie Groups and Lie Algebras <sup>(\*)</sup> – Affine and Projective Geometry <sup>(\*)</sup> – Differential and Riemannian Geometry <sup>(\*)</sup> – General, Algebraic and Differential Topology <sup>(\*)</sup> – PDEs <sup>(\*)</sup>.

<sup>(\*)</sup>: Extra-curricular coursework at Department of Mathematics.

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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND INTERNSHIPS

### Particle Physics Research Internship in Modelling and Data Science

2020, Jul – Sep

*NA62 @ CERN, Geneva, Switzerland*

Specifics: In progress.

### Master Class in Mathematical Physics

2019, Oct – 2020, Jun

*University of Geneva and NCCR SwissMAP, Geneva, Switzerland*

Coursework: Random Matrix Theory – Brownian Motion – Stochastic Calculus – Random Growth – Loewner Evolution.

Research: Collaborated with Prof. Francis Brown (University of Oxford) on *Motivic Feynman Integrals*, specifically investigating the motivic Galois coaction and factorisation theorems for scalar Feynman graphs with non-generic kinematics. Collaborated with Prof. Francesco Riva (University of Geneva) on *Effective Field Theory*, specifically investigating the restrictions placed by positivity bounds and beyond on Horndeski theories of modified gravity.

### Business Consulting Internship in Big Data and AI

2019, Jul – Aug

*Pangea Formazione, Rome, Italy*

Specifics: Contributed to Deep Learning predictive model for preventative maintenance of large infrastructures equipped with alarm nets. Project implemented using Bayesian Neural Networks and programming language R and customized to fit the specific needs of the commissioning telecom company. Pangea Formazione is a Big Data Analytics and AI company providing customised software for management consulting and training.

**Particle Physics Research Internship in Simulation and Data Analysis**

2017, Sep – Nov

PADME @ INFN – LNF, Frascati, Italy

Specifics: Contributed to Monte Carlo optical simulation of the Small-Angle Calorimeter of PADME's detector using simulation software Geant4 and programming language C++. Characterised performance of a single PbF<sub>2</sub> crystal attached to a Hamamatsu R13478UV photomultiplier tube using data analysis software ROOT. PADME (Positron Annihilation into Dark Matter Experiment) is a positron-on-target collision experiment searching for dark photon production at high intensity at the DAFNE Beam Test Facility.

**PUBLICATIONS****An Introduction to Motivic Feynman Integrals**

2020, Aug

Submitted to SIGMA, [arXiv:2009.00426](https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.00426)**Characterization and Performance of PADME's Cherenkov-Based Small-Angle Calorimeter**

2019, Mar

With A. Frankenthal et al., Nucl. Instrum. Methods Phys. Res. A 919 (2019) 89-97, [DOI:10.1016/j.nima.2018.12.035](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2018.12.035)**TALKS****Introduction to Motivic Amplitudes**

2019, Nov

Research Seminar on Lie Groups and Moduli Spaces, University of Geneva, Switzerland

**Motivic Scattering Amplitudes**

2019, Aug

Conference on Representation Theory and Integrable Systems, ETH, Zürich, Switzerland

**Monte Carlo Simulation of PADME's Small-Angle Calorimeter**

2017, Dec

PADME Weekly Meeting, INFN – LNF, Frascati, Italy

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE****Lecturer on Topological Surfaces**

2019, Oct

Master Class in Mathematical Physics – Department of Mathematics, University of Geneva, Switzerland

Topics: Introduction to Topological Spaces – Hausdorff Separation Axiom – Connectedness and Compactness – Abstract Topological Manifolds and Surfaces – Normal Forms for Surfaces – Real Projective Plane  $\mathbb{RP}^2$  in detail.

**Lecturer on Riemannian Geometry**

2018, Mar – May

Excellence Program in Physics – Department of Mathematics, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

Topics: Introduction to Riemannian Geometry – Riemannian Manifolds with Non-Positive Curvature – Jacobi Fields and Conjugate Points – Cartan-Hadamard Theorem – Killing Fields.

**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS****Excellence Fellowship**

2019

NCCR SwissMAP, Switzerland

**Degree Prize for Distinction**

2019

St. John's College, University of Oxford, UK

**Torno Subito Scholarship**

2018

Department of Education, Research and University, Lazio, Italy

**Best Student Award for the Course in Nuclear and Subnuclear Physics**

2018

University of Rome La Sapienza and INFN, Italy

**Summer Student Scholarship**

2017

INFN, Italy

**Excellence Program**

2016 – 2018

Department of Physics, University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

**Deserving Student Scholarship**

2015 – 2018

University of Rome La Sapienza, Italy

## SKILLS

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Italian Language	Native
English Language	Level C2 (CEFRL) - Cambridge ESOL Level 3 Certificate
Programming Languages	C, C++, HTML, Perl, R, Python
Version-control Systems	Git
Data Analysis Software	MATLAB, ROOT, gnuplot
Simulation Software	Geant4

## MEMBERSHIPS

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Mentee of LeadTheFuture Mentorship Program	2019 – present
Invited Fellow of Italian Physics Society (SIF)	2019 – present