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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2014-2019 Integrated Master Degree (MSc) in Engineering Physics (MEFT), Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisboa.
 - Received **Academic Excellence Diploma** in 2014/2015 and 2015/2016;
 - Received **Academic Merit Diploma** in 2016/2017 and 2018/2019;
 - Received 1st Honorable Mention of "Academic Excellence in MEFT" 2016/2017 one of the top students in the course;

Bachelor's and Master's degree average grade of 18.4 and 18.1 out of 20, respectively.

- 2018 Erasmus (2nd semester) at École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland.
- 2019-2020 Graduate Research Assistant, Instituto de Telecomunicações, Portugal.
- 2020-2024 PhD Student, Instituto Superior Técnico, Portugal.

Developing quantum algorithms to solve nonlinear partial differential equations; quantum error correction; and studying many-body systems using near-future quantum devices.

- 2024 Visiting Student, MIT, USA.
- various Machine Learning and Al Safety online courses and programs.

Learning From Data from Caltech; Stanford CS231n: Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition; Al Safety Fundamentals, by BlueDot Impact; MLSS and AlSES Programs, by CAIS; Al Safety Hub Labs; Pivotal Research Fellowship.

Teaching

- 2017-2018 Electromagnetism and Optics, Aerospace, Naval Engineering, IST.
- 2022-2023 **Techniques of Mathematical Physics**, *Physics Engineering*, IST.
- 2022-2023 Quantum Mechanics, Aerospace, Naval, Mechanical Engineering, IST.
 - 2024 Al Safety Fundamentals: Alignment course, Facilitator, Bluedot Impact.
 - 2024 Al Safety, Ethics, and Society, Facilitator, CAIS.

Selected Publications

See *Google Scholar* for more.

- 2023 Reinforcement Learning Fine-tuning of Language Models is Biased Towards More Extractable Features, *Cruz, D. et al,* arXiv: 2311.04046, 2023.
- 2023 **Understanding the learned look-ahead behavior of chess neural networks**, *Cruz*, *D.*, under review (click title for draft link), 2024.
- 2019 Efficient quantum algorithms for GHZ and W states, and implementation on the IBM quantum computer, *Cruz*, *D. et al*, Advanced Quantum Technologies 0 (0), 1900015, 2019.
- 2023 **Quantum Error Correction via Noise Guessing Decoding**, *Cruz*, *D.*; *Monteiro*, *F. A.*; *Coutinho*, *B. C.*, IEEE Access, vol. 11, pp. 119446-119461, 2023.
- 2023 **Superresolution of Green's functions on noisy quantum computers**, *Cruz, D.; Magano, D.*, Phys. Rev. A 108, 012618, 2023.
- 2023 A Living Review of Quantum Computing for Plasma Physics, *Amaro, O.; Cruz, D.*, arXiv: 2302.00001, 2023.

— Awards

- 2013-2014 Physics Olympiad.
 - o 1st place in central Portugal regional level;
 - Honorable Mention (Top 10) at the national level;
 - Honorable Mention in the XLV IPhO in 2014, in Kazakhstan (international).
- 2013-2014 Astronomy Olympiad.
 - o 1st place at the national level;
 - Honorable Mention in the IOAA in 2014 (international) best result ever for Portugal.
 - 2018 2nd place for "IBM Q Best Paper Award".

Award associated with paper DOI: 10.1002/qute.201900015.

- 2019 Grant from Gulbenkian Program "New Talents in Quantum Technologies".
- 2021 Winner of iQuHACK 2021, MIT, United States.

Part of winning team in the D-Wave Challenge of interdisciplinary Quantum HACKathon 2021.

2022 Winner of QCHACK 2022, Stanford, United States.

Part of winning team in the QuTech Challenge of QC Hack 2022.

- 2022 1st Prize in Classiq Coding Competition's Hamiltonian Exponentiation Challenge.
- Schools, Internships, and Hackathons
 - 2015 London International Youth Science Fair (LIYSF).
 - 2016 Hands on Quantum Mechanics (HonQM), IST.
 - 2016 8th School of Astrophysics and Gravitation, IST, CENTRA.
 - 2016 ATLAS Internship, FCUL (University of Lisbon) and LIP.
 - 2017 IV Journey of Physics Engineering, IST.
 - 2017 2nd Mini-school of Particle Physics and Astrophysics in Lisbon, IST, Sesimbra.
 - 2017 **GoLP Internship**, *IST*.
- 2018-2019 Quantum Computing Task Force, Instituto de Telecomunicações, IST.
- 2021, 2022, Interdisciplinary Quantum HACKathon (iQuHack), MIT.
- 2023, 2024
- 2021, 2022 **QC Hack**, Stanford, Yale, Duke, and Berkeley.
 - 2021 **Qiskit Hackathon Europe**, *IBM*.
- 2021-2022 IBM Quantum's Open Science Prize, IBM.
- 2023, 2024 Al Safety Fundamentals: Alignment and Governance course, BlueDot Impact.
 - 2023 Al Safety Hub Labs, Oxford.
 - 2023 ML Safety Scholar Programs, CAIS.
 - 2024 Al Safety, Ethics, and Society, CAIS.
 - 2024 Pivotal Research Fellowship, Pivotal.
 - 2024 Research Engineers Club, Safe Al London.

Volunteering

- 2017 Member of the local organizing committee in Extremely High-Intensity Laser Physics (ExHILP) 2017 conference, *IST*.
- 2018 "Superguide" (Liaison Officer) of IPhO 2018, Portugal.

Responsible for 9 guides and 38 international students, and for organizing part of the guides' and students' activities at IPhO.

2019 **Quantum Internet Alliance workshop**, Portugal.