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# Current position

from 03/2024 Recognised Researcher, University of Insubria, Como, Italy

- O Research Title: "Specifica e analisi delle differenze comportamentali nei sistemi biomedici".
- Project: "MEDICA: Modelling and vErification of alkaptonuria and multiple sclerosis Driven by biomedICAI data" ("MEDICA: Modellazione e verifica dell'alcaptonuria e della sclerosi multipla guidate dai dati").

#### Research Interests

- Categories;
- Probability;
- Timing formalisms;
- Formalisms for biological systems.

## Education

from 11/2020 PhD student in "Computer Science and Computational Mathematics", Unito 05/2024 versity of Insubria, Varese, Italy

- O I focus my research on formal models for biological systems. I started modelling some interesting biological systems such as the Heart system via CospanSpan(Graph), which is a compositional model having mathematical rigor and tailored for modelling large systems. Then, I have been working on a model to formalise a process algebra. It is user-friendly, easy to implement, and tailored for modelling biochemical reaction networks.
- Attended courses:
  - Advanced Topics in Cryptography;
  - Bioinformatics;
  - Computational Cognitive Modeling;
  - Early design of Internet of Things networks towards real deployment;
  - Graph Labelings, Colorings and Their Applications;
  - Modeling and Verifying Hybrid Systems;
  - Systems, Modelling & Simulations;
  - Technologies for processing streaming data pipeline.
- Camp: "Innovation Camp for PhD Students Deep Dive Into Innovation and Execution" (03-05/2021).
- Public Ph.D. Scholarship for the best 6 Ph.D. applications for the XXXVI Ph.D. Cycle at the "Computer Science and Computational Science" Ph.D. course, Theoretical and Applied Sciences Department of University of Insubria, October 2020.

- from 12/2016 **Master Degree in Computer Science**, *University of Insubria*, Varese, Italy, *110/110* to 07/2018 *cum laude* 
  - O Thesis (in Italian): "Modellazione di un Pacemaker Dual Chamber in Span(Graph)".
  - Main courses: Computer Engineering, Programming in Java and C, Models of Computation, Models for Biological Systems, Privacy and Security, Artificial Intelligence.
  - Six projects.
  - Two scholarships.
- from 09/2013 Bachelor Degree in Computer Science, *University of Insubria*, Varese, Italy, to 12/2016 101/110
  - O Thesis (in Italian): "Progettazione e sviluppo di un'applicazione per il filtraggio di messaggi di Twitter".
  - Main courses: Database, Privacy and Security, Coding theory, Programming in Java, Software Design, Web applications.
  - Seven projects.
  - One scholarship.

# Experience

#### Computer Science

- from 11/2017 **Traineeship**, *University of Insubria*, Como, Italy to 05/2018 Analysis of the Span-Cospan(Graph), focusing on timing.
- from 02/2016 **Traineeship**, *University of Insubria*, Varese, Italy
  - to 09/2016 Design and development of a web application aimed at filtering tweets using Twitter API.

## Teaching activities - Didactic support (in Italian)

- A.Y. 2021-22 Tutor for the course "Programmazione", University of Insubria, Como, Italy
- A.Y. 2020-21 Adjunct Professor for the course "Software Python", University of Turin, Turin, Italy

In Italian: *Professoressa Universitaria a Contratto*. See the program *here*.

- A.Y. 2020-21 Assistant for the course "Programmazione", University of Insubria, Como, Italy
- S.Y. 2020-21 **Tutor for the course "Le Basi della Scienza dei Dati"**, *"I Lincei per la Scuola"* Foundation, Milan, Italy
- A.Y. 2019-20 Assistant for the course "Le Basi della Scienza dei Dati", University of Milan-Bicocca, Milan, Italy

S.Y. 2012-13 **Tutor for the course "Nonni su Internet"**, *Istituto Tecnico Economico Enrico Tosi*, Busto Arsizio, Italy

Miscellaneous

from 12/2018 **Administrative employee**, *Comune di Olgiate Olona*, Olgiate Olona, Italy to 12/2019

from 07/2012 **Traineeship**, *Comune di Olgiate Olona*, Olgiate Olona, Italy to 08/2012

# Languages

Italian Native

English Upper intermediate

First Certificate in English (CEFR Level B2)

## Certifications

Computer Google digital training - Fondamenti di marketing digitale, Google, 06/2020
Science Técnicas Cuantitativas y Cualitativas para la Investigación, EdX, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, 01/2019

Data Access in C# and .NET Core, EdX, Microsoft, 09/2018

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Asynchronous Programming with Javascript}, \ \textit{EdX}, \ \textit{Microsoft}, \ 08/2018 \\ \textbf{Introduction to Python: Absolute Beginner}, \ \textit{EdX}, \ \textit{Microsoft}, \ 08/2018 \\ \end{array}$ 

Architetture orientate ai servizi, *University of Insubria*, 06/2018 Sistemi organizzativi a rete, *University of Insubria*, 06/2018

Mathematics IGCSE Mathematics Extended, University of Cambridge, 06/2013 IGCSE Mathematics Core, University of Cambridge, 06/2012

Computer skills

Strenghts

Programming Java, Python Database SQL, NoSQL

Basic-Intermediate

Programming C, C++, C#, API REST Environment Eclipse, Node.js

Web HTML, PHP, CSS, JavaScript, Tools pgAdmin, Node-RED

**JSON** 

# **Publications**

- [1] A. Gianola, S. Kasangian, D. Manicardi, N. Sabadini, and S. Tini. Compositional modeling of biological systems in cospanspan(graph). In *CEUR Workshop Proceedings*, volume 2756, pages 61–66. CEUR-WS, 2020.
- [2] Alessandro Gianola, Stefano Kasangian, Desiree Manicardi, Nicoletta Sabadini, Filippo Schiavio, and Simone Tini. Cospanspan(graph): A compositional description of the heart system. FUNDAMENTA INFORMATICAE, 171:221–237, 2019.
- [3] Ruggero Lanotte, Desiree Manicardi, and Simone Tini. Step-by-step robustness for biochemical networks. volume 3587, page 299 313, 2023.

## Extra

Registered in the Albo dei soggetti accreditati, University of Milan-Bicocca (2020 – 2021)

## Interests

Genealogy I found the information of an ancestor of mine born in 1768.

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Cooking I have been cooking as much time as possible since I was in middle school.

Gardening I have had a small garden since 2019.