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#### **EDUCATION**

PRESENT D.Phil. (Ph.D.) in Engineering Science, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, OXFORD (UK)

Supervisor: Prof. Michael A Osborne, Machine Learning Research Group

Research interests: Bayesian methods, Gaussian Processes, Deep Learning, Causality

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- 2018 **Visiting Ph.D.** Student, MAX-PLANCK INSTITUTE FOR INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS, Tübingen (DE) *Supervisor*: Prof. Bernhard Schölkopf
- 2016 M.Sc. in Computational Science and Engineering, ETH ZÜRICH, Zürich (CH) *Major*: Computational Physics, *Final GPA*: 5.6/6
- 2013 **B.Eng.** in **Mathematical Engineering**, POLITECNICO DI MILANO, Milano (IT) *Final Grade*: 110/110

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

- 2017 Machine Learning Research Intern, MIND FOUNDRY, Oxford (UK) (2 months)
  - Implemented and tested state-of-the-art global optimization methods (Python)
  - Researched on and improved Gaussian Process-based algorithms (Python)
- 2015 **Computational Science Intern**, SWISS NATIONAL SUPERCOMPUTING CENTER (CSCS), Lugano (CH) (3 months)
  - GPU ported the *Ramses* code, used for astrophysical physical simulations (written in Fortran90, using the directive-based API OpenACC)
  - Tested the developments on the HPC cluster Piz Daint
- 2014 Teaching Assistant (Stochastics), ETH ZÜRICH, Zürich (CH)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Abbati, G., Tosi, A., Osborne, M.A. & Flaxman, S., "AdaGeo: Adaptive Geometric Learning for Optimization and Sampling". In *Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, to appear.
- Abbati, G., Bauer, S., Winklhofer, S., Schüffler, P., Held, U., Burgstaller, J., Steurer, J. & Buhmann, J., "MRI-based Surgical Planning for Lumbar Spinal Stenosis". In Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) 2017: 20th International Conference, Proceedings, Part III (pp. 116–124).
  - Verma, S., **Abbati**, **G.**, Novati, G., & Koumoutsakos, P. "Computing the force distribution on the surface of complex, deforming geometries using vortex methods and Brinkman penalization". In *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Fluids*.

### COMPUTER SKILLS

- Fluent with C/C++, Fortran with parallel computing APIs such as OpenMP, POSIX threads, MPI, CUDA, AVX/SSE and OpenACC
- Object-oriented programming
- ETEX document editing
- Software **versioning** (git, subversion)
- Fluent with Python and machine learning packages (scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Keras, etc.)
- Bash scripting
- Able to use Linux, Mac OS X and Windows operating systems

#### LANGUAGES

Italian: Mother Tongue English: Fluent French: Limited Working Proficiency

# LIFE SKILLS & HOBBIES

Sports: played tennis and golf for several years, grew recent interest in snowboarding

and rock climbing

**Societies:** • Oxford University Amateur Boxing Club (OUABC):

- 2016/2017 and 2017/2018: Full Blue Athlete

- 2017/2018: President (lead the organization of the main events of the year,

Town vs Gown and Varsity, 300 and 800 spectators respectively)

• Oxford University Mountaineering Club (OUMC)

• The Oxford Union (Debating Society)

Hobbies: played modern and classical guitar since I was young, passionate about several

forms of art (literature, modern painting)