

Principal Research Scientist with the AI Innovation Team at **Red Hat** and Research Affiliate at **MIT MechE**.

Specializing in Generative AI, Generative Design and Probabilistic Modeling, with a focus on **Inference-Time Scaling**, **Test-Time Adaptation**, **Vision-Language Alignment**, and **Few-Shot Generation**.

Leading research on Probabilistic Inference to develop efficient, grounded Foundation Models for data-constrained engineering domains.

Experience

Principal Research Scientist, Red Hat

Boston, Massachusetts, USA

June 2025 - Present

- AI Innovation Team
 - **Research:** Probabilistic Inference for Vision and Language Models
 - **Research:** Inference-Time Scaling and Reasoning for LLMs (ICLR)
 - **Product:** its-hub Development and vLLM Gateway Integration
 - **Product:** Context Optimization for AgentOps

Research Affiliate, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Jan 2026 - Present

- DeCoDE Lab. Department of Mechanical Engineering
 - **Research:** Inference-Time Scaling for Constrained Generative Design
 - **Research:** Iterative Self-Training for CAD Program Synthesis

Applied Scientist, Amazon

Seattle, Washington, USA

April 2024 - June 2025

- Home Innovation and GenAI Team
 - **Research:** Grounded Vision-Language Models
 - **Research:** Evaluation for Text-to-Image Models (CVPR)
 - **Product:** Detection and Ranking Algorithms for Amazon Visual Shopping
 - **Product:** Subject-Driven Generative Models for AI Creative Studio

Visiting Researcher, UCL Centre for Artificial Intelligence

London, UK

Jan 2024 - March 2024

- Host: David Barber
 - **Research:** Multi-Resolution Convolutional Models for Long Sequences (NeurIPS)
 - **Research:** Bayesian Inference for Language Models

Researcher (PhD Intern), Microsoft Research

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Jun 2023 - Sept 2023

- ML and Statistics Group. Hosts: David Alvarez Melis, Nicolo Fusi
 - **Research:** Dynamic Vocabulary Augmentation for LLMs

Research Collaborator, MIT-IBM AI Lab

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Jan 2023 - June 2023

- Model Alignment Team. Host: Akash Srivastava
 - **Research:** Generative Models for Systems with Constraints (NeurIPS)
 - **Research:** Aligning Language Models with Negative Data
 - **Product:** Specialized Language Models for Enterprise Domains

Research Scientist (PhD Intern), IBM Research

Zurich, Switzerland

Jun 2022 - Nov 2022

- Accelerated Discovery Team. Hosts: Matteo Manica, Teodoro Laino
 - **Research:** Multitask Language Models for Text and Chemistry (ICML)
 - **Product:** Open-source library GT4SD for conditional generative models

Applied Scientist (PhD Intern), Amazon Science

Cambridge & London, UK

Jul 2021 - Oct 2021

- Alexa Team. Hosts: Yunlong Jiao, Emine Yilmaz
 - **Research:** Domain Agnostic Subpopulation Generalisation

Research Engineer, NNAISENSE

Lugano, Switzerland

Jan 2019 - Jan 2020

- Deep Learning Team. Managers: Christian Osendorfer, Jonathan Masci
 - **Research:** Structured Latent Variable Models
 - **Product:** NeuralODE Algorithms for High-Range Event Camera Streams

Co-Founder, SecretAIry (formerly GAiA)

Rome, Italy

July 2017 - Jan 2019

- Chatbots to enhance Workplace Communication
 - Selected among 100+ startups to join the EnLabs Incubator

Education**PhD, Generative Machine Learning**

Technical University of Denmark, Lyngby, Denmark

June 2020 - Dec 2023

- Few-Shot Generative Models (ICML)
- Multitask Language Models for Conditional Molecule Generation (ICML)
- Diffusion Models for Generative Engineering Design and Topology Optimization (NeurIPS)
- Thesis: Learning Generative Models with Limited Data
 - Supervisor: Ole Winther; Co-supervisor: Søren Hauberg

Visiting PhD Student, MIT School of Engineering

Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA

Jan 2023 - Sept 2023

- Constrained Diffusion Models for Engineering Design (NeurIPS & Patent)
- Improving Generative Constraint Satisfaction using Invalid Designs (TMLR)
- Evaluating Vision-Language Models for Engineering Tasks (Journal)
- Research on LLM Agents for CAD design. Co-developer of `text2cad`.
 - Host: Faez Ahmed, DeCoDE Lab

Master's Degree, Data Science

Sapienza University, Rome, Italy

Sept 2016 - Nov 2018

- Excellence Path & Summa Cum Laude
- Thesis: Multimodal Learning for Scene Understanding
 - Supervisor: Aris Anagnostopoulos; External Supervisor: Boris Chidlovskii

Visiting Graduate Student, NYU Tandon School of Engineering

NYC, New York, USA

Sept 2017 - Jan 2018

- Visualization and Data Analytics Research Center. Host: Enrico Bertini
 - Built an interactive entity retrieval tool to investigate 10M documents

Master's Degree, Mechanical Engineering

Sapienza University, Rome, Italy

Sept 2014 - Jan 2017

- Summa Cum Laude
- Thesis: Bubble Dynamics in Turbulent Shear Flows
 - Supervisor: Carlo Massimo Casciola; Co-supervisor: Paolo Gualtieri

Bachelor's Degree, Mechanical Engineering

Sapienza University, Rome, Italy

Sept 2009 - May 2014

- Thesis: Rapid Prototyping of Metallic Manufacturing

Selected Publications & Patents**Mitigating Premature Exploitation in Particle-based Monte Carlo for ITS**

under-review

GIANNONE, XU, NAYAK, AWHAD, SUDALAIRAJ, XU, SRIVASTAVA*2025***Generative optimization models for machine learning**

US Patent (MIT & IBM)

GIANNONE, SRIVASTAVA, AHMED*2025***Feedback-Driven Vision-Language Alignment**

under-review

GIANNONE, LI, FENG, PEREVODCHIKOV, CHEN, MARTINEZ*2025*

Be More Specific: Evaluating Object-centric Realism in Synthetic Images	CVPR
LIANG, CORNEANU, FENG, <u>GIANNONE</u> , MARTINEZ	2025
Evaluating Vision-Language Models for Engineering Design	Springer Artificial Intelligence Review
PICARD, EDWARDS, DORIS, MANN, <u>GIANNONE</u> , ALAM, AHMED	2025
Reparameterized Multi-Resolution Convolutions for Long Sequence Modelling	NeurIPS
CUNNINGHAM, <u>GIANNONE</u> , ZHANG, DEISENROTH	2024
Constraining Generative Models for Engineering Design with Negative Data	TMLR
REGENWETTER, <u>GIANNONE</u> , SRIVASTAVA, GUTFREUND, AHMED	2024
Aligning Optimization Trajectories with Diffusion Models	NeurIPS
<u>GIANNONE</u> , SRIVASTAVA, WINTHER, AHMED	2023
Unifying Molecular and Textual Representations via Multi-task LM	ICML
CHRISTOFIDELLIS*, <u>GIANNONE*</u> , BORN, WINTHER, LAINO, MANICA	2023
Accelerating Material Design with GT4SD	Nature npj Computational Materials
<i>GT4SD Team (Core Contributor)</i>	2023
Few-Shot Diffusion Models	SBM@NeurIPS
<u>GIANNONE</u> , NIELSEN, WINTHER	2022
SCHA-VAE: Hierarchical Context Aggregation for Few-Shot Generation	ICML
<u>GIANNONE</u> , WINTHER	2022
Method and apparatus for semantic segmentation and depth completion	US Patent (NAVER)
CHIDLOVSKII, <u>GIANNONE</u>	2022

Projects & Open Source

its-hub: A Python library for inference-time scaling	2025
– Contributor.	
– Inference-Time Scaling for Language Models.	
– Focus on Mathematical Reasoning.	
– Contributed Entropic Particle Filtering algorithms and new benchmark.	
Text2CAD: Democratizing Engineering Design. Prompt by Prompt.	2023
– Co-Lead.	
– DesignX. Team of engineers and researchers based at MIT and Caltech.	
– Generative tool that allows users to create CAD models using natural language prompts.	
– The tool is designed to be user-friendly and accessible to non-experts, enabling a wide range of users to quickly create complex CAD models without the need for specialized training.	
GT4SD: Generative Toolkit for Scientific Discovery	2022
– Core Contributor.	
– Library leveraging conditional generative models for accelerated discovery.	
– Work on Diffusion Models for images and 3D molecule conformation. The GFlowNet framework. Property Prediction module. Public Hub for model upload. Training Pipelines. Documentation. Tutorials. Testing. CI/CD. Server and Client API. Docker Images for CPU and GPU.	

Grants & Awards

GPU Grant, LUMI-G, EuroHPC	Copenhagen, Denmark
PI, Efficient Pre-training of Large Generative Models for Constrained Design	Nov 2023
Grant, Otto Mønsted's Foundation	Copenhagen, Denmark
Research Grant	Dec 2022
Grant, Independent Research Fund Denmark	Lyngby, Denmark
	Jun 2020

DFF PhD Grant	
Grant, Perception as Generative Reasoning	NeurIPS 2019
Awarded complimentary NeurIPS registration by DeepMind	<i>Oct 2019</i>
Grant, Pi School	Rome, Italy
Full Tuition for the School of AI (3% acceptance rate)	<i>Oct 2018</i>
Certificate of Award, Tsinghua University	Beijing, China
Prize for Outstanding Accomplishments, Deep Learning Summer School	<i>Aug 2018</i>
1st Pick, Excellence Path, Master's Degree, Data Science	Rome, Italy
Admission based on the First year's Academic Performance	<i>Mar 2018</i>
Participation in the School for Advanced Studies	

Academic Service

Reviewer

Conference: ICML19, ICCV19, AAAI20, ICML21 (top 10%), AISTATS21, ICML22, NeurIPS22, CVPR23, NeurIPS23, ICML24, ICLR25, CVPR25, NeurIPS25, ICLR26

Journal: TPAMI, TMLR

Workshop: NeurIPS-IBW20, NeurIPS-MetaLearn21, ICML-DeployableGenAI23, ACL-LanguageMolecules24

Teaching

Teaching: Deep Learning (DTU 02456), Bayesian Machine Learning (DTU 02477), Advanced Machine Learning (DTU 02460)

Supervision: two special courses (9 months), two master's thesis (6+6 months), 18 final projects

Volunteering

PAISS18, NeurIPS18, ELLIS Unit Copenhagen, MLLS

Skills

Languages

- Python (proficient); R, Matlab (good knowledge); C, Java, JavaScript (basic knowledge)

Research

- Accelerate, HF Transformers, LaTeX, NLTK, OpenCV, PyTorch, SpaCy, TensorFlow, verl

Software

- AWS, CVX, Docker/podman, FastAPI, Git, GitHub Actions, Gradio, Linux, MinIO, MongoDB, MySQL, Travis, vLLM, LangGraph, LangFlow, Langfuse, Cline, Cursor, OpenRouter