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## Education

- 2013 **Ph.D Cognitive Science**, *University of Padova, Italy*.  
Supervisor: Marco Zorzi
- 2009 **M.Sc. Cognitive Neuroscience**, *University of Padova, Italy*.
- 2007 **B.Sc. Psychology**, *University of Padova, Italy*.

## Academic positions

- 2020–present **Department of Psychology**, *University of Essex, UK*.  
Lecturer
- 2019–2020 **Department of Biological and Experimental Psychology**, *Queen Mary, University of London, UK*.  
Postdoc. Advisor: Isabelle Mareschal
- 2017–2018 **Centre for Applied Vision Research**, *City, University of London, UK*.  
Research Fellow. Advisors: Michael J. Morgan and Joshua A. Solomon
- 2013–2017 **Laboratoire Psychologie de la Perception**, *Université Paris Descartes & CNRS, France*.  
Postdoc. Advisors: Patrick Cavanagh, Andrei Gorea

## Publications

### Journal articles

- Lisi, M.**, Mongillo, G., Milne, G., Dekker, T., and Gorea, A. (2020) Discrete confidence levels revealed by sequential decisions. *Nature Human Behaviour*, <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41562-020-00953-1>.
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- Maus, G. W., Goh, H. L., and **Lisi, M.** (2020) Perceiving Locations of Moving Objects Across Eyeblinks. *Psychological Science*, 31(9):1117–1128.
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- Bonato\*, M., **Lisi\***, M., Pegoraro, S., and Pourtois, G. (2018). Cue-target contingencies modulate voluntary orienting of spatial attention: dissociable effects for speed and accuracy. *Psychological Research*, 82(2):272–283. \* *equal contribution*.
- Massendari, D., **Lisi, M.**, Collins, T., and Cavanagh, P. (2018). Memory-guided saccades show effect of a perceptual illusion whereas visually guided saccades do not. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 119(1):62–72.
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- Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2017). Different spatial representations guide eye and hand movements. *Journal of Vision*, 17(2):12.
- Lisi, M.** and Gorea, A. (2016). Time constancy in human perception. *Journal of Vision*, 16(4):1–12.
- Ranzini, M., **Lisi, M.**, and Zorzi, M. (2016). Voluntary eye movements direct attention on the mental number space. *Psychological Research*, 80(3):389–398.
- Lisi, M.**, Cavanagh, P., and Zorzi, M. (2015b). Spatial constancy of attention across eye movements is mediated by the presence of visual objects. *Attention, Perception, & Psychophysics*, 77(4):1159–1169.
- Lisi, M.**, Bonato, M., and Zorzi, M. (2015a). Pupil dilation reveals top-down attentional load during spatial monitoring. *Biological Psychology*, 112:39–45.
- Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2015). Dissociation between the Perceptual and Saccadic Localization of Moving Objects. *Current Biology*, 25(19):2535–2540.
- Bonato, M., Spironelli, C., **Lisi, M.**, Priftis, K., and Zorzi, M. (2015). Effects of Multimodal Load on Spatial Monitoring as Revealed by ERPs. *PLOS ONE*, 10(9):e0136719.
- Ranzini\*, M., **Lisi\***, M., Blini, E., Pitteri, M., Treccani, B., Priftis, K., and Zorzi, M. (2015). Larger, smaller, odd or even? Task-specific effects of optokinetic stimulation on the mental number space. *Journal of Cognitive Psychology*, 27(4):459–470. \* *equal contribution*.
- Desantis, A., Mamassian, P., **Lisi, M.**, and Waszak, F. (2014). The prediction of visual stimuli influences auditory loudness discrimination. *Experimental Brain Research*, 232(10):3317–3324.
- Casarotti\*, M., **Lisi\***, M., Umiltà, C., and Zorzi, M. (2012). Paying attention through eye movements: a computational investigation of the premotor theory of spatial attention. *Journal of cognitive neuroscience*, 24(7):1519–31. \* *equal contribution*.

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#### In preparation

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**Lisi, M.**, Morgan, M. M., and Solomon, J. A.. Serial integration of sensory evidence for perceptual decisions and oculomotor responses. *Under review*. Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.03.31.018655>.

Michalek, J., **Lisi, M.**, Michalek, J., Hadfield, K., Dajani, R., and Mareschal, I. The effects of a reading-based intervention on emotion processing in children who have suffered early adversity and war related trauma. *Under review*.

**Lisi, M.**, Awad, D., Hadfield, K., Mareschal, I., and Dajani, R. Effects of early adversity and war trauma on decision-making under uncertainty. *Under review*.

Rimsky-Robert, D., **Lisi, M.**, and Sergent, C. Consciously recognizing a stimulus without knowing what it looks like. *In preparation*.

**Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. Cooperative interactions between saccadic and pursuit planning when targeting a moving object. *In preparation*.

**Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. The integration of conflicting motion signals in perception and eye movements. *In preparation*.

#### Book chapters

**Lisi, M.** (2017). L'analisi dei movimenti oculari come strumento di indagine dei processi cognitivi. In Bisiacchi, P. and Vallesi, A., editors, *Il cervello al lavoro. Nuove prospettive in neuropsicologia*, pages 35–52. il Mulino, Padova. (*Chapter about the study of eye movements in cognitive sciences. The book is adopted as textbook at the School of Psychology of the University of Padova*).

#### Conference proceedings (partial list)

**Lisi, M.**, Cleanthis, M., and Dekker, T. (2020). The integration of position and motion signals for object tracking in childhood. In *Journal of Vision*. volume 20, page 1784. (*Vision Science Society annual meeting*).

**Lisi, M.**, Solomon, J., and Morgan, M. (2018). Signatures of a probabilistic strategy in the control of saccadic eye movement. In *Journal of Vision*. volume 18, page 373. (*Oral presentation, Vision Science Society annual meeting*).

**Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2017). Cooperative interactions between saccadic and pursuit planning when targeting a moving object. In *Journal of Vision*, volume 17, page 1278. (*Oral presentation, Vision Science Society annual meeting*).

- Massendari, D., **Lisi, M.**, Cavanagh, P., and Collins, T. (2017). Is the efference copy of a saccade influenced by a perceptual illusion? In *Journal of Vision*, volume 17, page 879.
- Lisi, M.**, Mongillo, G., and Gorea, A. (2016). Humans exhibit discrete confidence levels in perceptual decision-making. In *Cosyne Abstracts*, Salt Lake City, USA.
- Haladjian, H., **Lisi, M.**, and Cavanagh, P. (2016). Multiple object tracking is immune from a strong perceptual illusion. In *Journal of Vision*, volume 16, page 1260.
- Massendari, D., **Lisi, M.**, Collins, T., and Cavanagh, P. (2016). A dissociation between the perceptual and saccadic localization of moving objects for reactive saccades but not for memory-guided saccades. In *Journal of Vision*, volume 16, page 934.
- Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2015). A dissociation of motion processing for saccades, smooth pursuit, and perception measured for the same target. volume 15, page 746. (*Oral presentation, Vision Science Society annual meeting*).
- Maus, G., Cavanagh, P., Collins, T., Duyck, M., **Lisi, M.**, Wexler, M., and Whitney, D. (2015). Target displacements during blinks trigger corrective gaze adaptation. volume 15, page 1308.
- Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2014a). Saccades are not affected by the infinite regress illusion. In *Perception. Proceedings of the AVA Christmas Meeting, Leuven, Belgium 19–20 December 2013*, volume 43, pages 1114–1134.
- Lisi, M.** and Cavanagh, P. (2014b). The infinite regression illusion reveals dissociation between perception and action. In *Journal of Vision*, volume 14, pages 1221–1221.
- Bonato, M., Lara, B., **Lisi, M.**, Pegoraro, S., Gilles, P., and Wim, F. (2014). Attend to the left, attend to the right: How to modulate voluntary orienting of attention. In *Front. Hum. Neurosci. Conference Abstract: Belgian Brain Council 2014 Modulating the brain: facts, fiction, future..*
- Spironelli, C., Bonato, M., **Lisi, M.**, Priftis, K., and Zorzi, M. (2013). Spatial monitoring under dual task conditions: Evidence from evoked potentials. In *Psychophysiology 50 (Suppl. 1)*, s108, volume 50, page 108.
- Bonato, M., **Lisi, M.**, Spironelli, C., Priftis, K., and Zorzi, M. (2012). Visuospatial awareness is modulated by dual-task demands: evidence from healthy participants and right hemisphere damaged patients. In *Perception, 41 (Suppl. 1)*, pages 143–144.
- Lisi, M.**, Cavanagh, P., and Zorzi, M. (2012). Role of landmark objects in the orienting of attention across saccades. In *Perception ECVF Abstract Supplement*, page 138.
- Bonato, M., Priftis, K., Spironelli, C., **Lisi, M.**, Umiltà, C., and Zorzi, M. (2012). Dual-Tasks induce awareness deficits for the contralesional hemisphere. In *Front. Hum. Neurosci. Conference Abstract: Belgian Brain Council*.
- Ranzini, M., **Lisi, M.**, Pitteri, M., Treccani, B., Priftis, K., and Zorzi, M. (2012). Bidirectional link between numbers and space: an investigation with optokinetic stimulation. In *Proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Spatial Cognition (ICSC): Space and Embodied Cognition*.

## Teaching and mentoring

- 2020 **PS212 Statistics for psychologists (2nd Year)**, Department of Psychology, University of Essex.  
Multiple regression and logistic regression.
- 2020 **PS509 The science of uncertainty**, Department of Psychology, University of Essex.  
I co-organise a 3rd year BSc module on Bayesian statistic (using R and Stan).

- 2019 **Tutorial course on multilevel modelling**, 22 May, UCL Institute of Ophthalmology, London.
- 2018 **Multilevel modeling: frequentist and Bayesian approaches**, Invited tutorial at the conference GDR Vision 2018, 4-5 October, Paris, France.  
Course materials: <https://mlisi.xyz/#misc>
- 2015 **Linear & generalized linear multilevel models in R**, Université Paris Descartes.  
Statistical classes on hierarchical models for graduate and post-graduate students.
- 2011–2012 **Artificial Intelligence**, University of Padua.  
I co-organized practical workshops where students could get hands-on experience in training and simulating neural network models.

#### Student supervisions

- I supervised numerous (>15) undergraduate internships, student research projects (both BSc and MSc level) in Padua, Paris, London and Essex.

### ———— Honors and Awards

- 2019 My proposal was shortlisted and passed the first phase of selection for a *Chaire d'Excellence Junior* tenure-track fellowship at the Université de Paris Descartes.
- 2017 Research Fellowship from Von Humboldt Foundation ( $\approx$  150K€). Title of the proposal: *Confidence in human perceptual decision-making: testing the Bayesian hypothesis*. (Declined.)
- 2016 National French qualification for the position of *Maître de Conférencé* (equivalent to assistant professor), section 69, Neuroscience.
- 2011 Student Award (200€) at Rovereto Attention Workshop (RAW), Rovereto, Italy.
- 2011 Selected and funded (McDonnell Foundation) for participating at the Visceral Mind Summer School 2011 (course director: Bob Rafal), Bangor, UK.
- 2010 Scholarship from the Italian Ministry of Education to pursue a PhD.

### ———— Invited talks and research visits

- 2019 *Time constancy in human perception* Talk presented at the Workshop in honor of Andrei Gorea, at the Université Paris Descartes, Paris, France.
- 2017 *Visual location in perception and action* Talk presented at the CerCo (Centre de Recherche Cerveau & Cognition), CNRS UMR 5549, Toulouse, France. Invited by Jean Michel-Hupé.
- 2016 *Object localization in perception and action* Talk presented at the Justus Liebig University, Giessen, Germany. Invited by Karl Gegenfurtner.
- 2016 *Perceptual constancy in interval timing* Talk presented at the Laboratoire des École Normale Supérieure, Paris France. Invited by Pascal Mamassian.

July 2014 Visiting researcher at the INVIBE (Inference in Visual Behavior) team of the Institute de Neurosciences de la Timone (Marseille, France). Invited by Laurent Goffart.

2012 *Paying attention across eye movements: A computational investigation of the premotor theory of spatial attention* Talk presented at the Laboratoire Psychologie de la Perception, Paris France. Invited by Patrick Cavanagh.

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## Professional service

2016-2017 Organizer of the Perception Journal Club at the Laboratoire Psychologie de la Perception, Université Paris Descartes.

2014 Co-organized with Patrick Cavanagh two one-week workshops at the Université Paris Descartes, each involving one main invited lab plus additional international visitors.

– *ERC Berkeley workshop* (October), with participation of David Whitney's lab from University of California, Berkeley.

– *Real Time Rolling Experimental Workshop* (January-February) with participation of Rich Krauszlis' lab from the National Eye Institute (Bethesda, Maryland).

2011-2012 Elected representative of PhD students (2011-2012) at the Department of General Psychology, University of Padua.

2011 Member of a task-force that promoted the MSc program in Cognitive Science and Experimental Psychology at the University of Padua and successfully increased student enrollments.

Reviewing Ad-hoc reviewer for *Nature Communications Biology*, *Cortex*, *Current Biology*, *Sensors*, *PLOS One*, *Journal of Neurophysiology*, *Biological Psychology*, *Journal of Vision*, *Vision*, *i-Perception*, *Attention*, *Perception & Psychophysics*, *Cognitive*, *Affective*, & *Behavioral Neuroscience*, *Frontiers in Neuroscience*, *Neuroimage*.

Affiliations Vision Science Society (VSS), Applied Vision Association (AVA).

Pro bono Volunteer data scientist at DataKind UK, a charity that helps other charities in using their data to operate more effectively.

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## Skills

Languages Italian (native), English (full professional proficiency), French (fluent written and spoken).

Courses/certificates French, CEFRL B2 certification obtained in 2015; Summer School in Cognitive Neurodynamics, CINN, University of Reading, UK, 2010; Visceral Mind Summer School, Bangor University, UK, 2011; Tobii Eye-tracking methodology course, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, 2012.

Coding R, Matlab, Stan, Markdown, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Bash, html/css, C (basic).

Research methods	Psychophysics, Computer-based behavioral testing, eye-tracking, computational modelling (probabilistic models of decision-making; neural network models), pupillometry, basic experience with EEG.
Data analysis	Extensive experience with linear, generalized linear, multivariate and multilevel models, Bayesian statistics, Monte Carlo methods, Generalized additive models (GAM), Circular statistics. Extensive experience with psychophysical modelling; e.g. maximum likelihood conjoint measurements (MLCM), maximum likelihood difference scaling (MLDS).
Miscellaneous	Experience with Unix/Linux environments; graphics and video editing with Inkscape, Gimp, Adobe Photoshop, OBS Studio, Adobe Premiere.

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