MADALINA I. SAS

MEng Computing, ACGI, PhD Candidate

WORK EXPERIENCE

2020 - present | **Synch.Live** — **System Architect & Researcher**

Framework for collective behaviour experiments in humans using RaspberryPi.

2017 - present | **Freelance** — *Software & Cybersecurity consultant*

Supporting small business with cybersecurity, especially on their internet presence and on the Windows platform, but also project-based software engineering and quantitative research.

2017 - 2020 | **Netcraft — Internet Services Developer**

Working in content filtering and automated countermeasures against phishing and malware. Running the Netcraft web server survey, collecting internet statistics. Full website redesign.

2014 - 2016 | **King's CTU** — *Clinical Software Analyst Assistant* Full-stack development of bespoke systems for clinical trials, including automating the randomisation process, treatment management systems, data validation, trial design, industry-standard documentation and medical SOPs. Good Clinical Practice training.

2015 | **Imperial College London** — Undergraduate Researcher

Using complex program verification logics to prove correctness of concurrent data structures.

2014 | **Google** — Software Engineering Intern

Front-end and back-end development for user settings.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 - present | Ethics, Privacy, AI in society — Lab demonstrator

Helping students with Python-based AI fairness coursework.

2020 - present | Complexity & Networks — Lab demonstrator

Helping students with Python-based simulations of the Oslo sandpile model and Barabasi-Albert network model.

2020 - present | Cryptography Engineering — Teaching Assistant

Participating in tutorials, creating Jupyter notebooks with practical exercises, and presenting them in class.

2020 | **Net & Web Security** — *Teaching Assistant*

Answering students' questions on course content during tutorials.

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LANGUAGES

Python, Haskell, Perl, C#, C++, JavaScript, SQL, Scala, R, Nix, Bash

Romanian (native) English (bilingual)

RESEARCH & TECH SKILLS

Modelling & Simulation, Automation & Orchestration, Information Theory, Network Science, Dynamical Systems, Signal Processing, Machine Learning, Computational Neuroscience

INTERESTS

First Aid, Intermediate Ham Radio licence, Professional degree in Photography, Web & Graphic design, Philosophy

EDUCATION

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    2020 - 2024 | Imperial College London, UK — Complexity Science PhD
    2016 - 2017 | Imperial College London, UK — Computing MEng (first class, distinction)
    2013 - 2016 | Imperial College London, UK — Computing BEng
    2011 - 2013 | Theodor T. Burada Arts School, Constanta, Romania — Photography diploma
    2009 - 2013 | Ovidius High-School, Constanta, Romania — Mathematics and Computer Science
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CONFERENCES

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2023 | ASSC26, New York, NY
2023 | Santa Fe Institute Collective Intelligence Symposium, Santa Fe, NM
2022 | CCS22, Palma de Mallorca, Spain
2022 | Data Natives, London, UK
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AWARDS & GRANTS

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    Splunk Scholar — PhD Scholarship
    SnowWall — HutZero finalist
    SnowWall — Imperial College London Distinction
    1st prize - InterAce Cybersecurity Challenge 2017
    Computational Morality — Imperial College Corporate Partnership Prize
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PUBLICATIONS

Synch.Live: studying self-organised collective movement in humans with open technology

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2023 | In prep
Sas M*, Mediano P, Rosas F, Bor D, Sas A, Knottenbelt W, Jensen HJ, Leone H
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Multiscale coordination dynamics between performers and audience characterise innovative experience by Western classical music improvisation

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2023 | In prep
Nozawa T*, Sas M*, Dolan D, Rosas F, Rajpal H, Timmermann C, Mediano P, Honda K, Amano S, Miyake Y, Jensen HJ
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Growing polarisation around climate change on social media

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2021 | doi: 10.48550/arXiv.2112.12137
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Falkenberg M, Galeazzi A, Torricelli M, Di Marco N, Larosa F, Sas M, Mekacher A, Pearce W, Zollo F, Quattrociocchi W, Baronchelli A

Interpretaable XGBoost-based Classification of 12-lead ECG applying Information Theory measures from Neuroscience

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2020 | Conference Paper: Computing in Cardiology | Publisher: IEEE Raipal H*, Sas M*, Lockwood C, Joakim R, Peters NS, Falkenberg M
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