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Researching Reinforcement Learning tied to Natural Language

"Follow the gradient"



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SKILLS

Programming

Python	••••
Bash	••••
LaTeX	••••
Matlab	••••
C++	••••
HTML/CSS	••••

Frameworks

Numpy	••••
Pytorch	••••
Tensorflow	••••
OpenCV	••••

Operating Systems

MacOS	••••
Linux	••••
Windows	••••

Languages

Italian	Native
English	C1
Spanish	A1

ACHIEVEMENTS, HONOURS AND AWARDS

- ₱ First classified for Ph.D. scholarship at Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
- ▼ Spotlight paper in Adaptive and Learning Agents Workshop [ALA21] at AAMAS.
- Winner of a research scholarship (bando per avvio di ricerca) at Sapienza University of Rome, Italy.
- Elected as a member of the council of department (consiglio di dipartimento) at DIAG, Sapienza University of Rome.
- Elected as the PhD Representative of my faculty.

ACADEMIC CAREER

Teaching Assistant

- > 02/2020 12/2021 Tecniche di Programmazione
- > 02/2020 12/2021 Seminars in Artificial Intelligence
- > 12/2021 09/2022 Tecniche di Programmazione

Supervised Master Students

- > Francesco Frattolillo: Adaptive Playing and Opponent Modeling in Competitive Games
- > Abdolhadi Rezaei: Hand Gesture and Voice Recognition on RaspberryPi
- > Luca Faraoni: Multi agent model based reinforcement learning

Other

- ➤ 01/07/2021 31/08/2021 Contratto di prestazione occasinale : technical report on "Multi agent model based reinforcement learning"
- ➤ 01/04/2022 30/08/2022 Scientific visit at University von Amsterdam [UvA] under the supervision of Raquel Fernández, at the ILLC department

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Deep Reinforcement Learning [DRL]

Deep Neural Networks [DNN]

Vision model | Emergent Communication [Emcomm]

Natural Language Processing [NLP]

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Brandizzi, N., Grossi, D., and Iocchi, L. (2021c). Rlupus: Cooperation through emergent communication in the werewolf social deduction game. *CoRR*, abs/2106.05018
- 2. Brandizzi, N., Bianco, V., Castro, G., Russo, S., and Wajda, A. (2021a). Automatic rgb inference based on facial emotion recognition. In CEUR Workshop Proceedings, volume 3092, pages 66–74
- 3. Aureli, R., Brandizzi, N., De Magistris, G., and Brociek, R. (2021). A customized approach to anomalies detection by using autoencoders. In CEUR Workshop Proceedings, volume 3092, pages 53–59
- 4. Brandizzi, N., Fanti, A., Gallotta, R., and Napoli, C. (2021b). Fefful: A few-examples fitness function learner. In CEUR Workshop Proceedings, volume 3092, pages 75–79
- 5. Brandizzi, N. and Iocchi, L. (2022). Emergent communication in human-machine games. In *Emergent Communication Workshop at ICLR* 2022
- 6. Brandizzi, N., Russo, S., Brociek, R., and Wajda, A. (2021d). First studies to apply the theory of mind theory to green and smart mobility by using gaussian area clustering. In *ICYRIME Conference*, volume 3118, pages 71–76
- 7. Brandizzi, N., Brunori, D., Frattolillo, F., Trapasso, A., and Iocchi, L. (2022). Mixed human-uav reinforcement learning: Literature review and open challenges

PEER REVIEW

Emergent Communication Workshop

International Conference on Learning Representations [ICLR]

₩ 2022

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CSAE

The 6th International Conference on Computer Science and Application Engineering

₩ 2022

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ABOUT ME

Martial Arts enthusiast

o Muay Thai: 4 years o Krav Maga: 2 years o Taekwondo: 1 year

Cat lover

- His name is Sky(net)
- o Dogs are ok too

RPG aficionado

- o Dungeon & Dragons
- o Call of Cthulhu
- o Hedes
- o Skyrim

Music is life

- Playing Drums
- o Chill with Reggae
- o Focus on Melodic metal
- o Dance to ElectroSwing

My favorite reads

- o The Witcher saga is a must
- o Not afraid of Freud
- o Manga collector

EDUCATION



Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

PhD Engineering in Computer Science

- o Research Group: I am part of the Ro.Co.Co. lab at DIAG (Dipartimento di Ingegneria informatica, automatica e gestionale). My supervisor is Luca locchi.
- o PhD representative: I was elected for the academic year that lasts from November 2021 to October 2022.
- o Member of the Department Council: I was elected for the academics years that last from June 2021 to November 2023.

2018 - 2020

Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

M.Sc. of Engineering in Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

- o GPA: 4/4 (110/110)
- o M.Sc. Thesis: "Reinforcement Lupus: Cooperation through emergent communication in The Werewolf social deduction game", under supervision of Prof. Luca locchi.
- o 10 months Erasmus: University of Groningen, Netherlands.

2015 - 2017

Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

B.Sc. of Computer and Autonomous System Engineering

- o GPA: 2.97/4 (101/110)
- o B.Sc. Thesis: "Comparison Between Segmentation Methods", under supervision of Prof. Luigi Freda.
- o Internship at Alcor Lab: under supervision of Prof. Fiora Pirri.

Rising Researchers Network Core team member

CLAIRE (Confederation of Laboratories for Artificial Intelligence Research in Europe) created a network for Ph.D. students interested in Artificial intelligence. I joined the R2Net and now I'm part of the CORE team, organizing partnerships, social events and summer schools.

Rome, Italy

Member of ADI association (Associazione dottorandi in Italia)

I am a volunteer at ADI which helps doctoral student around Italy.

11/2021 - 10/2022

Rome, Italy

PhD student representative

I was elected as the PhD representative of my faculty.

₩ 06/2021 - Ongoing

♀ Rome, Italy

Member of the Department Council, DIAG, Sapienza University

I was elected as a member of the Department Council where I know attend to organization matters.

04/2018 - Ongoing

♀ Rome, Italy

Rotaract Club RTMM partner (socio)

I'm an active member of the club, mainly working as an informatic consultant. Check out our website!

← PAST EXPERIENCES

Scientific visit at UvA

I have been accepted as a scientific visitor at Amsterdam university under the supervision of Raquel Fernández.

Erasmus Student Network [ESN] partner (socio)

I help with the overall organization events as well as connecting with incoming Erasmus students.

President of the Internal Commission

During this 12 months period I was responsible for the internal coordination between members and the organization of social events.

- o Worked as an inter on the European research project TRADR.
- o Took part in the last review meet in Mestre, Italy.

Summer school camp

I attended an English course for the duration of 3 months.

Summer school camp at UCSB

I followed college classes for 3 months.

Summer school camp at UCLA

I followed college classes for 3 months.