

# PAOLO VIVIANI

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## EDUCATION

M.Sc. in Theoretical physics  
**University of Torino, 104/110**  
2015    Collegio Universitario "R. Einaudi", Torino  
Scholarship winner: "Piano Lauree Scientifiche 2008", granted by Società Italiana di Fisica.

Ph.D. in Computer Science  
**University of Torino, Computer Science Dept.**  
2015 – 2019    Torino, IT  
Thesis: *Deep Learning at Scale with Nearest Neighbours Communications*.  
Supervisor: Marco Aldinucci. Funded by Noesis Solutions.  
• Co-supervisor of one M.Sc. Thesis

## EXPERIENCE

Noesis Solutions  
**Research Engineer**  
April 2015 – Permanent    Novara, IT  
• Development of machine learning modelling methodologies for engineering.  
• Re-definition of the internal development and deployment stack (C++, Python) for scientific computations, with focus on performance and maintainability.  
• Cloud and container technologies exploitation.  
• Supervision of one internship.  
• Re-designed internal source code management workflow.  
• Technical contact for the following research projects. Including presentation to European Commission reviewers.

### Funded Research Projects

**MACH – ITEA2 project**  
April 2015 – December 2016    itea3.org/project/mach.html

**Fortissimo 2 – H2020-FoF project**  
February 2016 – October 2018    www.fortissimo-project.eu

**CloudFlow – FP7-I4MS project**  
March 2016 – May 2017    www.eu-cloudflow.eu

**Blockchain for online Service Security – IMEC-ICON Flemish project**  
March 2018 – November 2019

**VaProFam – FlandersMake-ICON Flemish project**  
February 2019 – ongoing

**DC-CDS – FlandersMake-ICON Flemish project**  
April 2019 – ongoing

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

High Performance Computing  
Machine Learning  
Containers and Cloud deployment

## SKILLS

Parallel Computing  
GPU Computing  
Cloud technologies  
Machine Learning

### Programming

C++  
Python  
CUDA  
Git  
Web development

### Soft

Presentations  
Communication of results  
Factorization of problems  
Time management  
Workarounds

### Tools

• Keras    • Docker  
• MxNet    • Linux OS  
• Pandas    • Networking  
• Apache Spark    • Latex  
• Openstack    • Mathematica  
CISCO CCNA course completed in 2008.

## LANGUAGES

Italian  
English  
French

## Publications

- Reniers, Vincent, Yuan Gao, et al. "Authenticated and Auditable Data Sharing via Smart Contract". In: *Proceedings of the 35th ACM/SIGAPP Symposium on Applied Computing*. SAC '20. Brno, Czech Republic: ACM, 2020, pp. 1–8.
- Drocco, Maurizio, Paolo Viviani, Iacopo Colonnelli, Marco Aldinucci, and Marco Grangetto. "Accelerating spectral graph analysis through wavefronts of linear algebra operations". In: *Proc. of 27th Euromicro Intl. Conference on Parallel Distributed and network-based Processing (PDP)*. Pavia, Italy: IEEE, 2019, pp. 9–16.
- Reniers, Vincent, Dimitri Van Landuyt, et al. "Analysis of Architectural Variants for Auditable Blockchain-based Private Data Sharing". In: *Proceedings of the 34th ACM/SIGAPP Symposium on Applied Computing*. SAC '19. Limassol, Cyprus: ACM, 2019, pp. 346–354.
- Viviani, Paolo. "Deep Learning at Scale with Nearest Neighbours Communications". PhD thesis. Computer Science Department, University of Torino, Sept. 2019.
- Viviani, Paolo, Maurizio Drocco, Daniele Baccega, Iacopo Colonnelli, and Marco Aldinucci. "Deep Learning at Scale". In: *Proc. of 27th Euromicro Intl. Conference on Parallel Distributed and network-based Processing (PDP)*. Pavia, Italy: IEEE, 2019, pp. 124–131.
- Aldinucci, Marco et al. "HPC4AI, an AI-on-demand federated platform endeavour". In: *ACM Computing Frontiers*. Ischia, Italy, May 2018.
- Tordini, Fabio, Marco Aldinucci, Paolo Viviani, Ivan Merelli, and Pietro Liò. "Scientific Workflows on Clouds with Heterogeneous and Preemptible Instances". In: *Proc. of the Intl. Conference on Parallel Computing, ParCo 2017, 12-15 September 2017, Bologna, Italy*. Advances in Parallel Computing. IOS Press, 2018.
- Viviani, P., M. Aldinucci, R. d'Ippolito, J. Lemeire, and D. Vucinic. "A Flexible Numerical Framework for Engineering—A Response Surface Modelling Application". In: *Improved Performance of Materials: Design and Experimental Approaches*. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 2018, pp. 93–106.
- Viviani, Paolo, Maurizio Drocco, and Marco Aldinucci. "Pushing the boundaries of parallel Deep Learning - A practical approach". In: *CoRR abs/1806.09528* (2018).
- – "Scaling Dense Linear Algebra on Multicore and Beyond: a Survey". In: *Proc. of 26th Euromicro Intl. Conference on Parallel Distributed and network-based Processing (PDP)*. Cambridge, United Kingdom: IEEE, 2018.
- Viviani, Paolo, Massimo Torquati, Marco Aldinucci, and Roberto d'Ippolito. "Multiple back-end support for the Armadillo linear algebra interface". In: *In proc. of the 32nd ACM Symposium on Applied Computing (SAC)*. Marrakesh, Morocco, Apr. 2017, pp. 1566–1573.
- Viviani, Paolo. "Parallel Computing Techniques for High Energy Physics". MA thesis. Physics Department, University of Torino, 2015.

## Other

- Program Committee member, *Euromicro International Conference on Parallel, Distributed, and Network-based Processing (PDP)* for 2018 (also session chair), 2019 and 2020.
- Program Committee member, *Parallel Numerical Methods and Libraries for Heterogeneous Multi/Manycores (Special Session of PDP2018 and PDP2019)*
- Program Committee member, *Artifact Evaluation, Euro-Par 2018 Conference*
- Program Committee member, *16th IEEE International Conference on Scalable Computing and Communications (ScalCom 2016)*



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Avid traveller and photographer.  
Former track & field athlete, now turned to playground basketball.

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## Photographer



### OASIS Project

 2013  Kharga, Egypt

Archaeological expedition funded by  
Fondazione Collegio delle Università  
Milanesi and American University in Cairo.

## Photographer

### Collegio Universitario "R. Einaudi"

 2012 – 2014  Torino, Italy


## Exchange student

### Tauranga Boy's College

 2006  Tauranga, New Zealand

## Scuba Diver

### PADI Advanced Open Water Diver

 From 2004

## Track and Field athlete

### Javelin Throw – Regional and National competitions

 1997 – 2012



## Volunteer

### IAAF Athletics World Championship

 2009  Berlin, Germany

## English Course

### General English Super Intensive C1 level course at Alpha College of English

 2012  Dublin, Ireland