# Piersilvio De Bartolomeis

#### Education -

#### Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule (ETH) Zurich

**2023** – **present** 

PhD in Computer Science

Zurich, Switzerland

- Advisors: Prof. Fanny Yang and Prof. Jonas Peters
- Research interests: robustness, causal inference, fairness, uncertainty quantification

#### Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule (ETH) Zurich

2020 - 2022

MSC IN DATA SCIENCE CUM LAUDE

Zurich, Switzerland

• Selected courses: Causality, Statistical Learning Theory, Mathematical Statistics, Reinforcement Learning, Advanced Machine Learning, Computational Biomedicine

#### Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

2019

VISITING STUDENT IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Hong Kong SAR

• Semester Project: Contributed to the development of an indoor localization system which is currently deployed on the university campus, under the supervision of Prof. Gary Chan

Politecnico di Milano 2017-2020

BSC IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING CUM LAUDE

Milan, Italy

• Selected courses: Probability and Statistics, Mathematical Analysis I and II, Linear Algebra, Algorithms and Principles of Theoretical Computer Science

# **Publications and Preprints -**

- [1] M. Mutti, R. D. Santi, **Piersilvio De Bartolomeis**, and M. Restelli. Challenging common assumptions in convex reinforcement learning. *Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2022.
- [2] M. Mutti, R. D. Santi, **Piersilvio De Bartolomeis**, and M. Restelli. Convex reinforcement learning in finite trials. *Under submission to Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR)*, 2023.
- [3] **Piersilvio De Bartolomeis**, J. Clarysse, F. Yang, and A. Sanyal. Certified defences hurt generalisation. Workshop on Understanding Deep Learning Through Empirical Falsification at NeurIPS, **Oral**, 2022.
- [4] **Piersilvio De Bartolomeis**, A. Orvieto, and G. Parascandolo. Enhancing unit-tests for invariance discovery. Workshop on Spurious Correlations, Invariance, and Stability at ICML, 2022.

#### Research Experience -

### Eidgenossische Technische Hochschule (ETH) Zurich

2021 - 2022

Research Intern

Zurich, Switzerland

- Advised by Prof. Cara Magnabosco and part of the Geobiology group
- Application of machine learning methods for the identification of protein secretion systems in bacterial genomes

# Conference and Workshop Talks –

Contributed Talk, Certified defences hurt generalisation

December 2022

Workshop on Understanding Deep Learning Through Empirical Falsification at NeurIPS

New Orleans, USA

#### Honors & Awards

1<sup>st</sup> place, Oracle GraphML Contest Graph Machine Learning contest organised by Oracle Labs

2020

# Full scholarship covering tuition and living expenses $\,$

2019-2020

Scholarship of 6000\$ from Politecnico di Milano, awarded based on academic merit

# Scholarship for undergraduate studies abroad

2019

Scholarship of 3000\$ from Politecnico di Milano, awarded to students visiting an institution abroad

Best freshmen award 2018

Prize of 1500\$ awarded to the best freshmen at Politecnico di Milano

# **Teaching Experience** -

#### Introduction to Machine Learning (1000+ students)

TEACHING ASSISTANT Zurich, Switzerland

• Instructors: Prof. Andreas Krause and Prof. Fanny Yang

• Designed homework assignments and conducted tutorial lectures

#### Machine Learning for Geobiology

2021-2022

2023

TEACHING ASSISTANT

Zurich, Switzerland

• Instructor: Prof. Cara Magnabosco

• Designed homework assignments and a Kaggle competition as part of the final course project

#### Advanced Machine Learning

2020

• Instructors: Prof. Joachim Buhmann and Dr. Carlos Cotrini

• Co-authored lecture notes for the course  $(10+ \bigstar)$ 

Zurich, Switzerland

# Volounteering -

TEDxBattipaglia 2023-present

Organizer

• Organizing the first TEDx event in my hometown in southern Italy. Bringing together high-level Italian speakers to share their ideas and perspectives with the local community

LeadTheFuture 2021-present

Member

• LeadTheFuture is a non-profit mentoring organization and the largest merit-based STEM community in Italy. Currently, it counts more than 150 mentors, including researchers and entrepreneurs, and 500 selected mentees

#### Technical Skills -

Tools & TechnologiesGit, JAX, PyTorch, SciKit, Pandas, NumPy, SparkLanguagesNative Italian, Fluent English, Beginner Japanese