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Born on October 9, 1993 in Piacenza, Italy. Nationality: Italian.



Current position

Post-doctoral researcher, KTH.

Areas of specialization

Numerical mathematics for partial differential equations, approximation theory, model order reduction, frequency-domain applications, scattering problems.

Appointments held

2014–2017 | Special courses teacher, Piacenza (IT).
2016 | Developer intern, Iren SpA, Piacenza (IT).
2017–2021 | Doctoral assistant, EPFL, Lausanne (CH).
2022 | Post-doctoral researcher, EPFL, Lausanne (CH).
2022–2024 | University assistant and post-doctoral researcher, University of Vienna, Vienna (AT).
2024–now | Post-doctoral researcher, KTH, Stockholm (SE).

Education

BSc in Applied Mathematics (*cum laude*), Politecnico di Milano, Milan (IT).

Thesis: "A mathematical justification of the momentum operator in quantum mechanics".

Advisor: Prof. M. Verri.

2015–2017 MSc in Computational Science and Engineering, EPFL, Lausanne (CH).

Project: "Implementation of smooth contact mechanics with the mortar method".

Advisor: Prof. G. Anciaux.

Project: "Finite elements-based Padé approximants for Helmholtz frequency response problems". Advisor: Prof. F. Nobile.

Thesis: "Randomized low-rank approximation of matrices and tensors".

Advisor: Prof. D. Kressner.

2017-2021 PHD in Mathematics, EPFL, Lausanne (CH).

Thesis: "Model order reduction based on functional rational approximants for parametric PDEs with meromorphic structure". Advisor: Prof. F. Nobile.

Grants, honors, and awards

- 2011 [3rd place at the "Hong Kong International Science Fair".
- 2013 4th place in the "Championnat International des Jeux Mathématiques et Logiques".
- 2014 5th place in the "Championnat International des Jeux Mathématiques et Logiques".
- 2017 Douchet prize for best GPA, MATH-EPFL.
- 2020 Prize for exceptional teaching service, Section of Mathematics, EPFL.
- 2021 Junior Research Fellowship at ESI Vienna.

Publications

Journal articles

- ²⁰¹⁹ [F. Bonizzoni and DP, "Distributed sampling for rational approximation of the acoustic scattering of an airfoil", PAMM 19.
- F. Bonizzoni, F. Nobile, I. Perugia, and DP, "Fast Least-Squares Padé approximation of problems with normal operators and meromorphic structure", Math. Comput. 89.
 - F. Bonizzoni, F. Nobile, I. Perugia, and DP, "Least-Squares Padé approximation of parametric and stochastic Helmholtz maps", Adv. Comput. Math. 46.
 - DP, "Interpolatory minimal rational model order reduction of parametric problems lacking uniform inf-sup stability", SIAM J. Numer. Anal. 58.
- F. Bonizzoni and DP, "Shape optimization for a noise reduction problem by non-intrusive parametric reduced modeling", Proc. WCCM-ECCOMAS2020.
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Frequency-domain non-intrusive greedy Model Order Reduction based on minimal rational approximation", Sci. Comput. Electr. Eng. 36.
 - F. Nobile and DP, "Non-intrusive double-greedy parametric model reduction by interpolation of frequency-domain rational surrogates", ESAIM:M2AN 55.
- DP and F. Nobile, "A technique for non-intrusive greedy piecewise-rational model reduction of frequency response problems over wide frequency bands", J. Math. Ind. 12.
- F. Bonizzoni, DP, and M. Ruggeri, "Rational-approximation-based model order reduction of Helmholtz frequency response problems with adaptive finite element snapshots", Math. Eng. 5.
 - DP, "Adaptive approximation of nonlinear eigenproblems by minimal rational interpolation", PAMM 22.
 - DP, "Toward a certified greedy Loewner framework with minimal sampling", Adv. Comput. Math. 49.
- P. Huwiler, DP, and J. Schiffmann, "Plug-and-play adaptive surrogate modeling of parametric nonlinear dynamics in frequency domain", Int. J. Num. Meth. Eng. 125.
 - DP and A. Borghi, "Match-based solution of general parametric eigenvalue problems", J. Comp. Phys. 519.

Pending articles

DP, M. Nonino, and I. Perugia, "Geometry-based approximation of waves in complex domains", under review.

Talks and attendance at events

Presentations at conferences

- DP, F. Nobile, F. Bonizzoni, and I. Perugia, "A technique for rational model order reduction of parametric problems lacking uniform inf-sup stability", GAMM Annual Meeting 2019, Vienna (AT).
 - DP, F. Nobile, F. Bonizzoni, and I. Perugia, "A technique for rational model order reduction of parametric problems lacking uniform inf-sup stability", ICIAM 2019, Valencia (ES).
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Interpolatory rational model order reduction of parametric problems lacking uniform inf-sup stability", ENUMATH 2019, Egmond aan Zee (NL).
- DP, F. Nobile, and F. Bonizzoni, "Non-intrusive model reduction of parametric frequency response problems via minimal rational interpolation", ICOSAHOM 2020/2021 (virtual), Vienna (AT).
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Non-intrusive model reduction of parametric frequency-response problems with applications to UQ", SIMAI 2020+2021, Parma (IT).
- DP and F. Nobile, "Non-intrusive surrogate modeling of parametric frequency response problems With applications in forward UQ", SIAM UQ22 (virtual), Atlanta (Georgia, US).
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Inexpensive surrogate modeling of frequency response problems by greedy minimal rational interpolation", GAMM Annual Meeting 2022, Aachen (DE).
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Non-intrusive surrogate modeling of frequency response surfaces via locally adaptive sparse grids", GIMC SIMAI Young 2022, Pavia (IT).
- DP, M. Nonino, and I. Perugia, "Geometry-based approximation of waves propagating through complex domains", 17th Austrian Numerical Analysis Day, Vienna (AT).
 - DP, F. Nobile, and A. Borghi, "Non-intrusive surrogate modeling of parametric frequency-response problems", Math2Product 2023, Taormina (IT).
 - DP, "Rational approximation with minimal sampling for Helmholtz-like problems", ILAS 2023, Madrid (ES).
 - DP, F. Nobile, and A. Borghi, "Data-driven adaptive approximation of parametric dynamical systems with pole bifurcations", ENUMATH 2023, Lisbon (PT).
- DP, F. Nobile, and A. Borghi, "Adaptive collocation-based approximation of parametric non-linear eigenproblems", SIAM UQ24, Trieste (IT).
 - DP and A. Borghi, "Adaptive collocation-based approximation of parametric nonlinear eigen-problems", ECM 2024, Seville (ES).

Posters

- F. Bonizzoni, I. Perugia, F. Nobile, and DP, "An efficient algorithm for Padé-type approximation of the frequency response for the Helmholtz problem", MoRePaS IV, Nantes (FR).
 - F. Bonizzoni, I. Perugia, F. Nobile, and DP, "An efficient algorithm for Padé-type approximation of the frequency response for the Helmholtz problem", Swiss Numerics Day 2018, Zurich (CH).

- DP and F. Nobile, "Frequency-domain non-intrusive greedy Model Order Reduction based on minimal rational approximation", SCEE 2020, Eindhoven (NL).
 - DP and F. Nobile, "Frequency-domain non-intrusive greedy Model Order Reduction based on minimal rational approximation", MORSS 2020 (virtual), Lausanne (CH).
- DP and F. Nobile, "Non-intrusive adaptive surrogate modeling of parametric frequency-response problems", MORe 2022, Berlin (DE).

Other talks and seminars

- DP, F. Nobile, F. Bonizzoni, and I. Perugia, "Fast Least-Squares Padé approximation of self-adjoint problems with meromorphic structure", seminar, MATHICSE retreat, Sainte-Croix (CH)
 - DP, F. Nobile, F. Bonizzoni, and I. Perugia, "Fast Least-Squares Padé approximation of self-adjoint problems with meromorphic structure", workshop talk, DRWA, Alba di Canazei (IT).
- DP and F. Nobile, "Polynomial approximation of resonance manifolds", short seminar, MATH-ICSE retreat, Champéry (CH).
- DP, "Padé approximation: a quick overview", seminar (virtual), CSQI talks, Lausanne (CH). DP, "From Padé approximation to rational interpolation", seminar (virtual), CSQI talks, Lausanne (CH).
 - DP, "Minimal rational approximation", seminar (virtual), CSQI talks, Lausanne (CH).
 - DP, "Minimal rational approximation: a model reduction tool for parametrized PDEs with resonances", seminar (virtual), PDE afternoons, Vienna (AT).
- DP, "Matching-based pMOR for dynamical systems", seminar (virtual), CSQI talks, Lausanne (CH).
- DP, "Surrogate modeling of parametric frequency response problems via locally adaptive sparse grids", workshop talk, "Approximation of high-dimensional parametric PDEs in forward UQ" ESI workshop, Vienna (AT).
 - DP, "Can reliable surrogate models for frequency-domain problems be both non-intrusive and cheap to build?", workshop talk, "UQ in kinetic and transport equations and in high-frequency wave propagation" ESI workshop, Vienna (AT).
- DP, "Efficient and adaptive rational approximation for parametric dynamical systems", seminar, CSC seminar, Magdeburg (DE).
- DP, "Adaptive data-driven surrogate modeling of parametric nonlinear eigenproblems", seminar, NA seminar, KTH, Stockholm (SE).

Attended events

- ²⁰¹⁸ ["Numerical Analysis of Complex PDE Models in the Sciences" ESI workshop, Vienna (AT). Swiss Numerics Day 2021, Lausanne (CH).
- "Adaptivity, High Dimensionality and Randomness" ESI workshop, Vienna (AT).
 Austrian Numerical Analysis Day 2022, Linz (AT).
 MCQMC 2022, Linz (AT).
- "Canonical scattering problems" INI workshop, Cambridge (GB).

 2nd SFB International Workshop 2023, Vienna (AT).

Teaching experience

- ^{2017–2021} As teaching assistant at EPFL (preparation of course and exercise material, preparation and grading of assignments and exams):
 - 2017 (Analyse avancée I, BSc in Mathematics.
 - 2018 (Analyse numerique, BSc in Mechanical Engineering.
 - 2018 (Analyse fonctionnelle, BSc in Mathematics.
 - 2019 (Introduction to partial differential equations, BSc in Mathematics.
 - Numerical analysis and computational mathematics, MSc in Computational Sciences and Engineering.
 - Parallel and high-performance computing, MSc in Computational Sciences and Engineering.
- 2022 [Invited lecturer for: Numerical methods for random PDEs and uncertainty, PHD course, EPFL.
- As university assistant at U Vienna (charged with the organization of the whole course):
- 2022–2023 (Exercises of Analysis and Linear Algebra 1, BSc in Mathematics.
 - 2023 (Topics in Finite Elements, MSc in Mathematics.
 - 2023 (Exercises of Applied Mathematics, BSc Teacher Training Program in Mathematics.
 - 2023 (Exercises of Numerical Mathematics, BSc in Mathematics.

Teaching education

- ²⁰²³ ["When to Teach What? Sequencing Course Content and Assignments", Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Vienna.
 - "(Unconscious) Bias at the University", Center for Training and Development, University of Vienna.
 - "Introduction to Active Learning", Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Vienna.

Other service

- Supervision of BSc thesis: "Approximation numérique du spectre des opérateurs elliptiques d'ordre deux" by T. Chanay, EPFL.
- 2020 Organizer of the Model Order Reduction Summer School 2020 (virtual event).
 - Referee for scientific journals: "Advances in Computational Mathematics".
- Supervision of MSC project: "Minimal rational approximation for time-harmonic Maxwell's equations" by F. Matti, EPFL.
 - Referee for scientific journals: "Journal of Computational Physics".
- Chairperson for "Data-driven reduced order modelling and surrogates with applications in complex multi-physics systems" mini-symposium at M2P 2023.
 - Organizer of the "Reducing the irreducible: model reduction for transport-dominated problems" mini-symposium at ENUMATH 2023.
 - Referee for scientific journals: "Advances in Computational Mathematics", "Computational Methods in Applied Mathematics", "Journal of Computational Physics", "Inverse Problems", and "SIAM Journal of Scientific Computing".
- Organizer of the "Methods for stochastic/parametric frequency-domain and spectral problems" mini-symposium at SIAM UQ24.

Referee for scientific journals: "Advances in Computational Mathematics", "Applied Mathematics Letters", "Computational Methods in Applied Mathematics", and "Mathematics and Computers in Simulation".

2024-now [Editorial board member of "Examples and Counterexamples".

Computer skills

Advanced [MATLAB, C/C++, OpenMP, MPI, Python, LATEX.
Intermediate [CUDA, C#, FreeFem++, HTML, CSS.

Basic [R, OpenFOAM, Fluent, Fortran, Java.

Languages

Italian:NativeEnglish:FluentFrench:IntermediateSpanish:IntermediateGerman:BasicSwedish:Basic

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