# Simone Antonelli

## PERSONAL INFO

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# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

#### Master thesis development

2021 (Apr. - in progress)

GLADIA Research Group, Sapienza University of Rome

Title: Model-Level Explanation of PointNet Framework via Input Optimization

- Design and implementation of a novel 3D deep generative framework to reconstruct 3D point clouds via Adversarial Autoencoder;
- Explanation of a deep neural model dealing with 3D data (PointNet) through a post-hoc technique to visualize what the artificial neural network has learned.

#### Bachelor thesis development

2019 (Apr. - Dec.)

MCLab Research Group, Sapienza University of Rome

Title: Models Translator, a translating tool for biological models

- Analysis, design and development of a translating tool for biological models in several modelling languages to encourage models re-use in the community;
- Test analysis and simulation of the translated models.

#### EDUCATION

## MSc in Computer Science

2019 - 2021 (in progress)

Sapienza University of Rome

 $(GPA: \mathbf{29}, \mathbf{2/30})$ 

MAJOR TOPICS: Advanced Algorithms, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision and Natural Language Processing.

## BSc in Computer Science

2016 - 2019

Sapienza University of Rome

(full marks with honors, GPA: 27, 2/30)

MAJOR TOPICS: Algorithms, Software Engineering and Artificial Intelligence.

## **PROJECTS**

#### Few-Shot Object Detection via an Instance-aware branch

2021

- Design and implementation of a novel approach to detect objects from few examples;
- Co-authored a survey about the relevant methods tackling few-shot object detection (*submitted*).

#### Towards Conditionality in Probabilistic Diffusion Models

2021

• Refine probabilistic diffusion models for image generation, including class conditionality by adapting GANs techniques.

#### Learning of Independent Causal Mechanisms on 3D Shapes 2021

- Training of a framework to learn several models each focused in inverting a transformation on 3D point clouds by leveraging causality;
- Build 3D point cloud MNIST dataset.

# ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

#### Honours Programme in Computer Science

2021 (in progress)

Sapienza University of Rome

- Extracurricular activity for worthy students giving those the opportunity to approach the research;
- I focused my honours programme in discovering causal mechanisms on non-Euclidean data;
- Supervised by professor Emanuele Rodolà.

# SUMMER SCHOOLS

#### Pre-Doctoral Research School

Aug. 2021

Cornell University, Maryland University, Max Planck Institute

Admitted as an outstanding student to (virtually) attend a week of lectures about cutting-edge research topics in Computer Science.

## Machine Learning Summer School

Aug. 2021

Max-Planck-Gesellschaft

Selected to (virtually) participate in the General Program of the MLSS where leading experts in Machine Learning discuss core topics of the field.

## SKILLS

Programming Python, C++, Java, LATEX

Technologies PyTorch, common Python ML libraries

Environments Visual Studio Code, PyCharm, Google Colab