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Personal Information

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Education

Oct 2014 - Apr 2018 Bachelor in Physics - University of Turin, Turin, Italy.

Oct 2018 - Dec 2020 Master in Physics of Complex Systems (current GPA: 4.0/4.0) - University of Turin, Turin, Italy.

Experience

Sep 2019 – Present Guest Writer – Analytics Vidhya (Web-based) & AddFor S.p.A, Turin, Italy

- Developing a series of interactive articles on the Learning Problem, a comparison between Biological and Artificial Intelligence. Consolidating Python and LaTeX.
- Converting industrial research papers on Machine Learning in blog articles by replicating the related code. Consolidating Deep Learning frameworks: PyTorch and TensorFlow.

 $Jul\ 2019 - Sep\ 2019$

Visiting Research Student - University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada (Cognitive Jul 2018 – Sep 2018 Neuroscience, Maler's Lab - In collaboration with André Longtin)

- Increased animal tracking accuracy by 33% and reduced manual labelling time by 90%by introducing **DeepLabCut** (based on CNNs) instead of non-Deep-Learning based softwares.
- Solved trajectory related issues by designing a "postural space" by using UMAP.

May 2018 - Jun 2018 Visiting Student (Summer School) - Centre for Neural Dynamics, Ottawa, Canada

- Discussing about possible solutions to different Neuroscience related problems.
- Simulating a "strokes toy model" by using **AllenSDK** for data retrieval.

Feb 2017 - Apr 2018 Research Assistant (Undergraduate) - I.N.Ri.M, Turin, Italy, (Quantum Information, Genovese's Lab)

- Designing, running and analyzing data for an experiment on the violation of a Leggett-Garg inequality (foundations of Quantum Mechanics).
- Expanding personal knowledge on **Quantum Computing** and Information.

Leadership and Awards

May 2020 - Present Mentor & Supervisor - Project X2020 Competition

- Recruited and currently **supervising** University of Turin's Team
- Leading mentors and organizing educational materials

Apr 2019 - Present Founder & President - Machine Learning Journal Club, Turin, Italy

- Created the 1st Italian collaborative research project (no-profit organization) managed by students, in cooperation with the University of Turin.
- Teaching Python for Scientific Computing and Practical Machine (and Deep) Learning to undergraduate and graduate students.
- Designing possible solutions to high-impact problems on society, e.g. Fake News **Detection** (Italian language) or **DeepFakes**.
- Currently competing for Tensorflow Faculty Awards

Apr 2019 – Present Co-opted Students Representative

- Designated as Students Representative by the Head of Physics of Complex Systems after the creation of the Machine Learning Journal Club.

Sep 2018 – Sep 2018 Data Mining Challenge – Class Challenge, 1st classified

- Developed NLP models for sentiment analysis, e.g Word2Vec, Doc2Vec.
- Designed **Data Augmentation** strategies on embedded spaces.

Jul 2014 - Sep 2014 Master Talenti Neodiplomati - Scholarship (CRT Foundation)

- Selected as 1 out of 103 eligible students for a studying-working 3-months experience in Malta.

May 2014 - May 2014 Students Athletic Championship - Biella, Italy, 2nd Classified

- Represented my high school in 400 and 800 meters competitions.

Jan 2014 - Jan 2014 Students Winter Sports Championship - Bardonecchia, Italy, 2nd Classified

- Represented my high school in snowboarding: slalom and slopestyle competitions.

Jun 2010 – Jun 2010 Jun 2011 – Jun 2011 GloBall Cup – Enköping, Sweden, 2nd Classified

- Represented Italy with my football team (ASD Fulgor Ronco Valdengo) patronised by UNICEF.

Skills & Background Knowledge

Certificates

Mar 2020 - Apr 2020

IBM AI Engineering Professional Certificate (IBM)

- Machine Learning with Python (Grade Achieved: 97%)
- Scalable Machine Learning on Big Data using Apache Spark (Grade Achieved: 99.28%)
- Introduction to Deep Learning & Neural Networks with Keras (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- Deep Neural Networks with PyTorch (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- Building Deep Learning Models with Tensorflow (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- AI Capstone Project with Deep Learning (Grade Achieved: 97%)

Apr 2020 - Present

AI for Medicine Specialization (Deeplearning.ai)

- AI for Medical Diagnosis (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- AI for Medical Prognosis (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- AI for Medical Treatment (Grade Achieved: in Progress)

Apr 2020 - May 2020 Information Visualization Specialization (NYU, New York City)

- Information Visualization: Foundations (Grade Achieved: 99%)
- Information Visualization: Applied Perception (Grade Achieved: 100 %)
- Information Visualization: Programming with D3.js (Grade Achieved: 96.4 %)
- Information Visualization: Advanced Techniques (Grade Achieved: 97%)

Apr 2020 - May 2020

Tensorflow in Practice Specialization (Deeplearning.ai)

- Introduction to TensorFlow for Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning (Grade Achieved: 100%)
- Convolutional Neural Networks in TensorFlow (Grade Achieved: 100 %)
- Natural Language Processing in TensorFlow (Grade Achieved: 100 %)
- Sequences, Time Series and Prediction (Grade Achieved: 100 %)

Apr 2020 - Present

Advanced Machine Learning Specialization (HSE, Moscow)

- Introduction to Deep Learning (Grade Achieved: 100%)

Programming Languages

Python, Advanced. (Numpy, Scipy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Plotly, OpenCV, Scikit-Learn, Tensorflow, PyTorch, OpenAI Gym, OpenAI Universe, Microsoft Malmo, DeepMind Lab).

CSS, HTML, Javascript, Tableau, Foundations of Web Development and Data Visualization(D3.js, Tensorflow.js).

C++ and Java, Foundations of OOP(ROOT Framework).

Go and Solidity, Foundations of Smart Contracts related programming.

GCP and AWS, Foundations of Cloud Computing and Web Services.

Git, operative knowledge of version control systems.

Linux OS, operative knowledge.

Languages

Italian, Native.

English, Advanced.

French, Elementary.

Interests

Hackathons

Nov 2019 – Nov 2019 **B-Pioneers** (organized by **Biogen** and **Wired**): Selected to Compete in order to create highly innovative solutions for people affected by **SMA** (**S**pinal **M**uscular **A**trophy). Applications of Complex Systems Physics to biometric data.

Personal Projects

May 2018 – Jun 2018 MineNavigation: Navigation Tasks in a Reinforcement Learning Framework

- Developed a Reinforcement Learning exploration strategy for my Minecraft Agent (**Project Malmo**). Source at terna.to.it/tesineEconofisica/navigation.htm

Oct 2015 – Present Designing and solving CryptoPuzzles

Volunteering

May 2020 **Speciale Coronavirus**: Moderator in conferences related to Covid-19, held by the University of Turin.

Mar 2020 – Present CLAIRE (Confederation of Laboratories for Artificial Intelligence Research in Europe): Taking part in different remote talks on Covid related research in Deep Learning,

which helped me in producing "DAIgnosis", a project on AI in Medical Diagnosis

Mar 2020 – Present Covid-19 Forecasting: Building parts of database by annotating useful news epidemicforecasting.org - Future of Humanity Institute, University of Oxford

Mar 2020 – Mar 2020 Covid-19 News Tracker: Annotating news for sentiment analysis purposes covid19.scops.ai - University of Greenwich & ISI Foundation

Sept 2017 – Mar 2018 **TEDxTorino**: Collaborating as a translator (Italian to English) and as a member of Curators Team.

Oct 2014 – Mar 2015 Coding with EFF: Looking for bugs in HTTPS Everywhere.

Publications and Workshops

Workshop Talks

Feb 2020 – Feb 2020 Machine Learning Meets Chemistry – Organized by the Department of Chemistry (University of Turin) (Programme)

- Presenting Machine Learning Journal Club as a contribution to Open Science.
- Discussing Graph Neural Networks approaches in Science.

Workshop Posters

Sep 2018 – Sep 2018 Neural Coding 2018 – International Workshop on Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience (www.neuralcoding2018.unito.it)

- Presenting the results from my research period at the University of Ottawa.

May 2017 – May 2017 **Quantum 2017** – International Workshop on Quantum Optics and Quantum Information (www.quantum2017.unito.it)

- Presenting my Undergraduate thesis project.

Blog Writings

Sep 2019 The Learning Problem: Comparison between Brain and Machine in Analytics Vidhya. First chapter of a series devoted to analyze and decompose the learning problem

May 2020 **DAIgnosis: Exploring the Space of Metrics**. Investigating the usage of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Medical Diagnosis, with a particular focus on metrics.