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ESPERIENZE PROFESSIONALI

Da Gennaio 2011 Professore Associato presso il Dipartimento di Informatica dell'Università di Verona.

2006-2010 Ricercatrice presso il Dipartimento di Informatica dell'Università di Verona.

1998-2006 Ricercatrice presso il Dipartimento di Informatica dell'Università di Pisa.

1996-1998 Senior Research Fellow presso il Department of Computer Science, School of Informatics, City University, London, UK, con borsa "Training and Mobility of Researchers" Framework 4 - Marie Curie Research Fellow category 30. Titolo del progetto finanziato: *Re-uniting automatic theorem proving and logic programming for the formal verification of logic languages*.

1995-1996 Post-doc presso il Dipartimento di Informatica dell'Università di Udine.

1994-1995 Borsa di studio per il progetto europeo Human Capital and Mobility dal titolo *Transformation and synthesis of logic programs* presso il Department of Computer and Information Science-University of Linköping (Sweden)

1991-1994 Dottorato presso il Dipartimento di Informatica dell'Università di Pisa.

TITOLI DI STUDIO

- Dottorato in Informatica, Università di Pisa, 25 Luglio 1994 [T2].
- Laurea in Informatica, Università di Pisa, 15 Giugno 1990 [T1].

ATTIVITÀ DIDATTICA

- *Insegnamenti nei Corsi di Laurea*

Quantum Computing: Anni accademici 2023-2024, 2022-2023, 2021-2022, 2020-2021, 2013-2014, 2012-2013, 2011-2012, 2009-2010, 2008-2009, 2007-2008, MSc in Computer Science. University of Verona.

Logica: Anni accademici 2023-2024, 2022-2023, 2021-2022, 2020-2021, Bachelor in Computer Science. Università di Verona.

Informatica: Anni accademici 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018, 2016-2017, 2015-2016, Bachelor in Bioinformatics. Università di Verona.

Compileri: Anni accademici 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018, 2016-2017, 2015-2016, 2013-2014, 2012-2013, Bachelor in Computer Science. Università di Verona.

Compileri Avanzati: Anni accademici 2013-2014, 2012-2013, Msc in Computer Science and Engineering. Università di Verona.

Linguaggi e Compileri: Academic year 2011-2012, Bachelor in Computer Science. Università di Verona.

Programmazione II: Academic year 2010-2011, Bachelor in Computer Science. Università di Verona.

Reti di Calcolatori: Academic year 2010-2011, Bachelor in Computer Science. Università di Verona.

Algoritmi e Strutture Dati: Anni accademici 2008-2009, 2007-2008, Bachelor in Bioinformatics. Università di Verona.

Basi di Dati e Multimedia: Academic year 2006-2007, Bachelor in Computer Science and Bachelor in Information Technology: Multimedia. Università di Verona.

Telematica: Academic year 2005-2006, Bachelor in Digital Humanities. Università di Pisa.

Informatica: Academic year 2003-2004, Laurea in ‘Scienze dei Beni Culturali’. Università di Pisa.

Quantum Computing: Anni accademici 2003-2004, 2002-2003, 2001-2002, Magistrale in Informatica. Università di Pisa.

Introduction to Programming (Lab): Anni accademici 2001-2002 and 2002-2003. Bachelor in Computer Science. University of Pisa.

Laboratory of Informatics I: Anni accademici 2000-2001, 1999-2000, Bachelor in Computer Science. University of Pisa.

- *Corsi di Dottorato*

EQAI 2023 — 2nd European Summer School on Quantum AI: School co-organiser, University of Udine, Italy, May 2023.

In the last two years I have co-organized with Giuseppe Serra (University of Udine) the first and second edition of the European Summer School on Quantum AI (EQAI). I was also an invited speaker at the first edition.

Quantum Machine Learning: PhD Course at the University of Verona, Italy, yearly since 2020.

Compiler Design for Quantum Hardware: Lecture at the High Performance Computing for Sustainable Development School, Stellenbosch, South Africa, April 2023.

Quantum Kernels and Deep Learning: Lecture at EQAI, 1st European Summer School on Quantum AI, International Centre for Mechanical Sciences, September 2022.

Quantum Programming Languages: PhD Course at the Suola Superiore, University of Udine, Italy, May 2021.

Quantum Languages Design and Implementation: PhD School organiser, Università di Verona, Italy, September 2019.

Introduction to Topological Quantum Computing: PhD School on Quantum Technologies, Università di Camerino, Italy, January 2019.

Introduction to Quantum Programming: PhD School on Quantum Technologies, Università di Napoli Federico II, Italy, September 2019.

Quantum Computing: PhD Course at the University of Verona, Italy, yearly from 2017 to 2019.

An Introduction to Probabilistic Abstract Interpretation: PhD Course at ESSLLI 2016, 28th European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information, Bozen, August 2016.

Topological Quantum Computing: PhD Course at the University of Verona, Italy, March, 2016.

Probabilistic Program Analysis: Lectures at MT-Lab, VKR Centre of Excellence, Technical University of Denmark, August 2011.

Quantum Computing: PhD Course at the University of Verona, Italy, June 16-27, 2003.

SUPERVISIONE

Dottorato

Di seguito sono elencati solo gli studenti di dottorato di cui sono e sono stata supervisor nel campo del quantum computing.

- Giacomo Campagnari, Università di Verona. Tema: Quantum Machine Learning. Da ottobre 2016., Università di Verona. Topic: Quantum Finance. 2023 -
- Francesco Martini, Università di Verona. Tema: Quantum Finance. Da ottobre 2016., Università di Verona. Topic: Quantum Finance. 2023 -
- Nicola Assolini, Università di Verona. Tema: Quantum Machine Learning. Da ottobre 2016., Università di Verona. Topic: Quantum Programming Languages and Analysis. 2022 -
- Massimiliano Incudini, Università di Verona. Tema: Quantum Machine Learning. Da ottobre 2016., Università di Verona. Topic: Quantum Machine Learning. 2021 -
- Riccardo Mengoni, Università di Verona. Tema: Quantum Machine Learning. Da ottobre 2016., Università di Verona. Topic: Quantum Machine Learning. 2016 - 2019.
- Federica Panarotto, Università di Verona. Tema: Topological Quantum Computing. Da gennaio 2011., Università di Verona. Topic: Topological Quantum Computing. 2011 - 2015.

Esaminatore esterno di tesi di dottorato

- Alexander Geng. Application of hybrid quantum machine learning for image processing in the NISQ era. RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau. Dicembre 2023. Title of the Thesis: Application of hybrid quantum machine learning for image processing in the NISQ era. RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau. December 2023.
- Aidan Patrick Pellow-Jarman. Investigating variational quantum algorithms for solving systems of linear equations and optimization on near term quantum hardware. University of KwaZulu-Natal. Dicembre 2023. Title of the Thesis: Investigating variational quantum algorithms for solving systems of linear equations and optimization on near term quantum hardware. University of KwaZulu-Natal. December 2023.
- Balthazar Casale. Machine learning for quantum bandits and quantum entanglement detection. Université d'Aix-Marseille . Novembre 2023. Title of the Thesis: Machine learning for quantum bandits and quantum entanglement detection. Université d'Aix-Marseille. November 2023.

- Valentin Heyraud. Titolo tesi: Noise and trainability in quantum machine learning. Université Paris Cité. Novembre 2023. Title of the Thesis: Noise and trainability in quantum machine learning. Université Paris Cité. November 2023.
- Viet Pham Ngoc. Titolo tesi: Learning Boolean Functions with Multi-Controlled X Gates. Imperial College. Ottobre 2023. Title of the Thesis: Learning Boolean Functions with Multi-Controlled X Gates. Imperial College. October 2023.
- Gabriele Francesco Maria Agliardi. Titolo tesi: Data Encoding and Processing for Quantum-Based Monte Carlo Simulations in Finance. Politecnico di Milano. Luglio 2023. Title of the Thesis: Data Encoding and Processing for Quantum-Based Monte Carlo Simulations in Finance. University of Milan. July 2023.
- Daniele Cuomo. Titolo tesi: Architectures and circuits for distributed quantum computing. Università di Napoli. Maggio 2023. Title of the Thesis: Architectures and circuits for distributed quantum computing. University of Naples. May 2023.
- Carla Maria Alves Pereira da Silva. Titolo tesi: Quantum Machine Intelligence: Mapping AI Applications. Universidade do Porto. Novembre 2021. Title of the Thesis: Quantum Machine Intelligence: Mapping AI Applications. Universidade do Porto. November 2021.
- Linda Anticoli. Titolo tesi: Entangle: a Framework from Quantum Programming to Quantum Model Checking. University of Udine. Maggio 2018. Title of the Thesis: Entangle: a Framework from Quantum Programming to Quantum Model Checking. University of Udine. May 2018.
- Andreas Maniotis. Titolo tesi: A Representation-Theoretic Approach to Reversible Computation with Applications. DIKU, University of Copenhagen. Febbraio 2015. Title of the Thesis: A Representation-Theoretic Approach to Reversible Computation with Applications. DIKU, University of Copenhagen. February 2015.
- Arnaud Jobin. Titolo tesi: Dioïdes et idéaux de polynômes en analyse statique. ENS Cachan, Antenne de Bretagne. Gennaio 2012. Title of the Thesis: Dioïdes et idéaux de polynômes en analyse statique. ENS Cachan, Antenne de Bretagne. January 2012.

Laurea Triennale e Magistrale

Dal 2009 sono stata relatrice di 20 tesi su Quantum Computing e Quantum Machine Learning.

RICERCA

Interessi di Ricerca

La mia ricerca copre le seguenti aree:

1. Quantum Computing e Quantum Machine Learning
2. Quantitative analysis of security properties
3. Probabilistic abstract interpretation
4. Probabilistic programming and semantics
5. Theory of logic programming and concurrent constraint programming

Risultati principali

1. Nell'ambito del Quantum Computing, ho affrontato lo studio delle strutture matematiche per modellare il quantum computing producendo i risultati in [C18, J8, EJ10, C35]. In [J17, J15] ho studiato l'utilizzo delle 'homologies' per la classificazione degli stati entangled e per l'analisi topologica dei dati. Nel 2017 ho organizzato una conferenza sull'allora appena nata area di ricerca del Quantum Machine Learning, allo scopo di discutere i problemi e le promesse di questa ricerca con i principali rappresentanti nel campo. La conferenza, chiamata Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, si è rivelata un'iniziativa di successo e si ripete da allora annualmente. La ricerca in quantum machine learning ha prodotto risultati riguardanti lo studio di tecniche basate su quantum kernel e quantum neural network e la loro applicazione a problemi in pattern recognition, finanza e in bioinformatica. [J20, J19, C43, J18, J16, J14, C41, C39].
2. Computer security is a field where a quantitative approach has proved to be particularly well-suited, and quantitative risk or vulnerability analysis is more useful than absolute security certification. The main result of my research in this area has been the introduction of the notion of Approximate Confidentiality to formalise and quantify the possible information leakage of a system, [C23, C21, C22, EJ1, J7, C24, B1, C25, J7, J9, J5, C26, EJ7].
3. In [C17, C16]. we have defined a general methodology for constructing semantics-based analyses of various program properties, in which both the analysis of probabilistic programs and the probabilistic analysis of classical deterministic programs can be accommodated. This is formalised in the theory of Probabilistic Abstract Interpretation (PAI), and some of its applications are reported in [J6, EJ11, C31, EJ12]. Similar structures are used in [C42] to define a probabilistic semantics of a typed lambda calculus.

4. With the aim of modelling so called “randomized algorithms” within a declarative framework, I have devoted some work to the design and modelling of a probabilistic version of the concurrent constraint programming paradigm with results described in [C12, C10, C9, C8, C7, EJ2, C11, C14, C13].
5. My research activities started in the field of Logic Programming with investigations on the problems of negation and infinite computation. The main results are published in [J2, C3, C2, C1, T2, T1, C4, J3].

PUBBLICAZIONI

Riviste

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- [J19] Massimiliano Incudini, Fabio Tarocco, Riccardo Mengoni, Alessandra Di Pierro, and Antonio Mandarino. Computing graph edit distance on quantum devices. *Quantum Machine Intelligence*, 4(24), 2022.
- [J18] Riccardo Mengoni, Massimiliano Incudini, and Alessandra Di Pierro. Facial expression recognition on a quantum computer. *Quantum Machine Intelligence*, 3(8), 2021.
- [J17] Riccardo Mengoni, Alessandra Di Pierro, Laleh Memarzadeh, and Stefano Mancini. Persistent homology analysis of multiqubit entanglement. *Quantum Information & Computation*, 20:375–399, 2020.
- [J16] Riccardo Mengoni and Alessandra Di Pierro. Kernel methods in quantum machine learning. *Quantum Machine Intelligence*, 1(3):65–71, 2019.
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- [J14] Lorenzo Bottarelli, Manuele Bicego, Matteo Denitto, Alessandra Di Pierro, Alessandro Farinelli, and Riccardo Mengoni. Biclustering with a quantum annealer. *Soft Computing*, 2018.
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- [J12] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Probabilistic timing covert channels: To close or not to close? *International Journal of Information Security*, 10(2):83–106, 2011.
- [J11] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Program analysis probably counts. *The Computer Journal*, 53(6):871–880, 2010.
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- [J8] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Reversible Combinatory Logic. *Mathematical Structures in Computer Science*, 16(4):1–17, 2006.
- [J7] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Measuring the confinement of probabilistic systems. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 340(1):3–56, 2005.
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- [J5] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Quantitative static analysis of distributed systems. *Journal of Functional Programming*, 15(5):1–47, 2005.
- [J4] Alessandra Di Pierro, Chris Hankin, and Herbert Wiklicky. Approximate Non-Interference. *Journal of Computer Security*, 12(1):37–81, 2004.
- [J3] Franck de Boer, Alessandra Di Pierro, and Catuscia Palamidessi. An Algebraic Perspective of Constraint Logic Programming. *Journal of Logic and Computation*, 7(1), 1997.
- [J2] Alessandra Di Pierro, Maurizio Martelli, and Catuscia Palamidessi. Negation as Instantiation. *Information & Computation*, 120(2):263–278, 1995.
- [J1] Franck de Boer, Alessandra Di Pierro, and Catuscia Palamidessi. Nondeterminism and Infinite Computations in Constraint Programming. *Theoretical Computer Science*, 151(1), 1995.

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- [EJ14] A. Di Pierro, and H. Wiklicky. Probabilistic data flow analysis: a linear equational approach. In Gabriele Puppis and Tiziano Villa, editors, Proceedings Fourth International Symposium on *Games, Automata, Logics and Formal Verification*, Borca di Cadore, Dolomites, Italy, 29-31th August 2013, volume 119 of *Electronic Proceedings in Theoretical Computer Science*, pages 150–165. Open Publishing Association, 2013.
- [EJ13] Alessandra Di Pierro. Approximation and relative entropy. In Boris Köpf, Paquale Malacaria, and Catuscia Palamidessi, editors, Quantitative Security Analysis (Dagstuhl Seminar 12481). *Dagstuhl Reports*, 2(11):135–154, pages 141–141, 2012.
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- [EJ9] A. Di Pierro, C. Hankin, and H. Wiklicky. On Reversible Combinatory Logic. In M. Fernández and I. Mackie, editors, *Proceedings of DCM’05 – 1st International Workshop on New Developments in Computational Models, Lisboa, Portugal*, volume 153 of *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science*, pages 25–35. Elsevier, 2006.
- [EJ8] A. Di Pierro and H. Wiklicky. Operator algebras and the operational semantics of probabilistic languages. In A. K. Seda, T. Hurley, M. Schellekens, M. Mac an Airchinnigh and G. Strong, editors, *Proceedings of MFCSIT04– Third Irish Conference on the Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science and Information Technology, Dublin, Ireland*, volume 161 of *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science*, pages 131–150. Elsevier, 2006.
- [EJ7] A. Di Pierro, C. Hankin, and H. Wiklicky. Continuous-time probabilistic KLAIM. In R. Focardi and G. Zavattaro, editors, *Proceedings of SecCo’04 – 2nd International Workshop on Security Issues in Coordination Models, Languages, and Systems*, volume 128(5) of *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science*, pages 27–38. Elsevier, 2005.
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- [EJ4] A. Di Pierro, T. Frühwirth, and H. Wiklicky. Probabilistic constraint handling rules. In Marco Comini and Moreno Falaschi, editors, *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science*, volume 76. Elsevier Science Publishers, 2002. Selected papers of the 11th International Workshop on Functional and (Constraint) Logic Programming (WFLP 2002).

- [EJ3] A. Brogi, A. Di Pierro, and H. Wiklicky. Linear embedding for a quantitative comparison of languages expressiveness. In Alessandra Di Pierro and Herbert Wiklicky, editors, *Electronic Notes in Theoretical Computer Science*, volume 59. Elsevier Science Publishers, 2002. Selected papers of the ACM Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming (QAPL 2001).
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Capitoli di libroBook Chapters

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Conferenze e WorkshopConference and Workshop proceedings

- [C44] A. Di Pierro, M. Incudini and F. Martini. Higher-order topological kernels via quantum computation. Proceedings of the 2023 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Computing and Engineering (QCE), pp. 621-629, IEEE Computer Society Press, 2023.
- [C43] A. Di Pierro and M. Incudini. Quantum machine learning and fraud detection. In Daniel Dougherty, José Meseguer, Sebastian Alexander Mödersheim, and Paul Rowe, editors, *Protocols, Strands, and Logic*, pages 139–155, Springer, 2021.
- [C42] A. Di Pierro. A type theory for probabilistic λ -calculus. In *From Lambda Calculus to Cybersecurity Through Program Analysis: Essays Dedicated to Chris Hankin on the Occasion of His Retirement*, Lecture Notes in Computer Science, pages 86–102, Springer, 2020.

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- Systems – Proceedings of the 11th Asian Symposium, APLAS 2013*, volume 8301 of *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, pages 241–256. Springer, 2013.
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10. M. Bernardo and E. de Vink and A. Di Pierro and H. Wiklicky (eds.) Advanced Lectures on Formal Methods for Dynamical Systems *Lecture Notes in Computer Science*, Volume 7938, Springer 2013.
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RELAZIONI INVITATE, SEMINARI E LEZIONI

- In January 2024 I was invited to give a departmental seminar on ‘Quantum Kernels in Machine Learning’ at Imperial College - Department of Aeronautics.
- In January 2024 I was invited to give a talk on ‘Topological Quantum Kernels’ in the Quantum Colloquium at New York University Abu Dhabi, UAE, as part of the activities of the Center for Quantum and Topological Systems (CQTS).
- In July 2023 I was invited to give a seminar on quantum supervised machine learning at the Stellenbosch University (NITHeCs Colloquium).
- In April 2023 I was invited to give a lecture on ”Compiler Design for Quantum Hardware” at the High Performance Computing for Sustainable Development School - Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Trento, Italy.
- In February 2023 I was invited to give a seminar on quantum supervised machine learning at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (GIQ seminar series).
- In 2022 I gave a seminar on quantum supervised machine learning at
 - University of Trento (21-02-2022)
 - University of Milano (13-10-2022).
- In January 2021 I was invited to give a lecture on quantum computing at the University of Pisa on 09-03-2021.
- In May 2020 I was invited to talk about my work on quantum machine learning for fraud detection at the University of Pisa on 30-11-2020.
- In 2018 I was invited to give a seminar on my work on topological quantum kernels for Machine Learning at
 - Queen Mary London (3-10-2018)
 - Oxford University (8-12-2017)
 - NASA-USRA, Mountain View, California (16-08-2018)
 - University of Leeds (9-01-2018).
- Some older talks that I gave in the last ten years are listed below. I have given further invited talks and seminars in the past.

Dagstuhl Seminar “Approximate and Probabilistic Computing” Seminar on “The dual Value of Probabilistic Abstract Interpretation”, 1st December 2015, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany.

Middlesex University Seminar on “A Calculus for Topological Quantum Computation”, 6th November 2015, Middlesex University, UK.

Sussex University Seminar on “A Calculus for Topological Quantum Computation”, 19th June 2015, Sussex University, UK.

Université Paris Diderot Seminar on “Topological Quantum Lambda-calculus”, 21 May 2015, Université Paris Diderot, Paris 7, France.

Dagstuhl Seminar “Challenges and Trends in Probabilistic Programming” Seminar on “A Topological Quantum Calculus”, 30 April 2015, Schloss Dagstuhl, Germany.

University of Urbino Seminar on “An Introduction to Quantum Computation”, 26 February 2015, University of Urbino ‘Carlo Bo’, Urbino, Italy.

Birkbeck Seminar on “A Calculus for Topological Quantum Computation”, 21 January 2015, Birkbeck University of London, London, UK.

Universidade Federal do Rio grande do Norte Seminar on “A Calculus for Topological Quantum Computation”, 10 September 2014, UFRN, Natal, Brazil.

King’s College London — QuaRK Seminar Series Seminar on “Quantum Computation” 20 August 2014.

SFM-13:DS Co-organiser of the “13th International School on Formal Methods for the Design of Computer, Communication and Software Systems: Dynamical Systems”, Bertinoro (Italy), 17-22 June 2013.

27th CREST Open Workshop Invited talk on “Probabilistic static analysis and security trade-offs”. University College London, 29 Maggio 2013.

QAPL Workshop at ETAPS 2013 Invited talk on “Probabilistic static analysis and security trade-offs”. Rome, Italy, 23 Marzo 2013.

Dagstuhl Seminar on Quantitative Security Analysis Seminar on “Approximation and Relative Entropy”. 29 November, 2012. In *Dagstuhl Reports*, 2(11):135–154, 2012.

Aalborg University Seminar on “Relational Analysis and Precision via Probabilistic Abstract Interpretation”. 22 August, 2011.

SFM-10:QAPL Co-organiser of the “10th International School on Formal Methods for the Design of Computer, Communication and Software Systems: Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages”, Bertinoro (Italy), 21-26 June 2010.

University of Verona Seminar on “Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages”. 30 November, 2010.

PROGETTI E BORSE

Industrial PhD scholarship (10/2023–09/2026). PhD scholarship on “Quantum Optimization Algorithms for Security Settlement Systems”. Co-financed (€30k out of a total of €72k) by Banca d’Italia and IBM, with the University of Verona. Principal Investigator.

Joint Project21 (06/2022–05/2023). Joint Research 2021, Quantum Anomaly Detection, Co-financed (€16500 out of a total of €24000) by TAS Tecnologia Avanzata dei Sistemi S.p.A., with the University of Verona. Principal Investigator.

Cooperint20 (09/2020–12/2020). Internationalization Programme of the University of Verona, €3500. Principal Investigator.

Cooperint19 (11/2019–01/2020). Internationalization Programme of the University of Verona, €3500. Principal Investigator.

Cooperint17 (11/2017–01/2018). Internationalization Programme of the University of Verona, €3500. Principal Investigator.

Cooperint15 (10/2015–12/2015). Internationalization Programme of the University of Verona, €3500. Principal Investigator.

Cooperint13 (04/2013–05/2013). Internationalization Programme of the University of Verona, €3500. Principal Investigator.

Security Horizons (02/2013–10/2016). Progetto PRIN — Programmi di Ricerca Scientifica di Rilevante Interesse Nazionale. National research project funded by MIUR, involving the universities of Venice, Pisa and Verona. Funding of the Verona unit: €87,000. Co-investigator.

SPACIOS (10/2010–9/2014). European project (Strep project no. 257876 in the 7th Framework Programme Theme ICT-2009.1.4) *Secure Provision and Consumption in the Internet of Services*. Budget €5,677,084.00, EC Contribution: €3,610,000.00. Co-investigator.

AVANTSSAR (1/2008–12/2010). European project (Strep project no. 216471 in the 7th Framework Programme Theme ICT-1-1.4) *Automated VALIDatioN of Trust and Security of Service-Oriented ARchitectures*. Budget: €6,070,954.80, EC Contribution: €3,800,000.00. Co-investigator.

AIDA2007 (7/2007–7/2009). *Abstract Interpretation Design and Applications*. MIUR Co-financed project. Co-investigator.

QNet (9/2006–2/2010). EPSRC Network on *Semantics of Quantum Computation*. Co-investigator.

PAFAS (11/2004–12/2007). *Program Analysis and the typed π -calculus: Foundations and Applications to Security*, EPSRC project GR/T04724. Co-investigator.

QACR (4/2004–9/2007). *Quantitative Analysis of Computational Resources*, EPSRC project GR/S77066. Co-principal investigator.

AIDA (11/2004–10/2006). *Abstract Interpretation: Development of Analysis tools and relations with type systems*. MIUR Co-financed project. Co-investigator.

MEFISTO (1/2001–1/2003). *Formal Methods for Security*. MIUR Co-financed project. Co-investigator.

PAI (5/1999–12/2002). *Probabilistic Abstract Interpretation*, EPSRC project GR/M58740. Co-investigator.

ATTIVITÀ EDITORIALE

Field Editor rivista Springer *Quantum Machine Intelligence* da Dicembre 2019.

COMITATI DI PROGRAMMA E ORGANIZZATIVI

QTML Conference series: I founded QTML, a very successful series of international conferences on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, and I have been a member of its steering committee since 2017, when I organized in Verona the first edition of QTML, which was followed by yearly events hosted by international universities with an increasingly high number of participants reaching 400 attendees in 2023.

QAPL Workshop series: Member of the steering committee of the Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages 2001–2015.

IEEE QCE 2023: 2023 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Computing and Engineering, Bellevue, WA, United States, 17-22 September, 2023. Member of the program committee.

IEEE QSW 2023: 2023 IEEE International Conference on Quantum Software, Chicago, Illinois USA, 2-8 July 2023. Member of the program committee.

QSD 2023: QWorld Quantum Science Days, Online, 29-31 May 2023. Member of the program committee.

QTML 2023: 7th Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, CERN, Switzerland, 19-24 November 2023. Program co-chair.

QTML 2022: 6th Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, Naples, Italy, 7-12 November 2022. Member of the organizing and program committees.

QTML 2021: 5th Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, RIKEN-AIP, Tokyo, Japan, 8-12 November 2021. Member of the program committee.

QTML 2020: 4th Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, 9-17 November 2020. Member of the organizing and program committees.

QTML 2019: 3rd Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, KAIST, Daejeon, South Korea, 20-24 October 2019. Member of the program committee.

QTML 2018: 2nd Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, Durban, South Africa, 12-16 November 2018. Member of the program committees.

QTML 2017: 1st Conference on Quantum Techniques in Machine Learning, Verona, Italy, 6-8 November 2017. Chair of the program and organizing committees.

- FSEN 2019:** 8th International Conference on Fundamentals of Software Engineering, Tehran, Iran, 1-3 April 2019. Member of the program committee.
- QLDI 2019** Organizer of the Quantum Languages Design and Implementation Summer School, Verona, 23-28 September 2019.
- CiE 2019:** Computability in Europe 2019, Durham, UK, 15-19 July 2019. Member of the program committee.
- RTA 2015:** 26th International Conference on Rewriting Techniques and Applications, June 29-July 1, 2015, Warsaw, Poland. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'15:** 13th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2015, London, UK, April 11-12, 2015. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'14:** 12th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2014, April 2014, Grenoble, France. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'13:** 11th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2013, March 2013, Rome, Italy. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'12:** 10th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2012, April 2012, Tallinn, Estonia. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'11:** 9th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2011, April 2011, Saarbrücken, Germany. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'10:** 8th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2010, March 2010, Paphos, Cyprus. Chair of the program committee.
- CILC'09:** 24th Italian Conference on Computational Logic, 24-26 June 2009, Ferrara, Italy. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'09:** 7th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2009, March 2009, York, UK. Member of the program committee and PC chair.
- QEST'09:** 6th International Conference on Quantitative Evaluation of Systems, September 2009, Budapest, Hungary. Member of the program committee.
- CILC'08:** 23rd Italian Conference on Computational Logic, 10-12 July 2008, Perugia, Italy. Member of the program committee.

- QAPL'08:** 6th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2008, 29-30 March 2008, Budapest, Hungary. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'07:** 5th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2007, 24-25 March 2007, Braga, Portugal. Member of the program committee.
- MFCSIT'06:** The Irish Conference on the Mathematical Foundation of Computer Science and Information Technology, 1-5 August 2006, Cork, Ireland. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'06:** 4th Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2006, 1-2 April 2006, Vienna, Austria. Chair of the program committee.
- PLID'05:** 2nd Workshop on Programming Interference and Dependence, 6 September 2005, London, UK Member of the program committee.
- CPSec'05:** 1st Workshop on Applications of Constraint Satisfaction and Programming to Computer Security, 1 October 2005, Barcelona, Spain. Member of the program committee.
- SAS'05:** 12th Static Analysis Symposium, 7-9 September 2005, London, UK. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'05:** 3rd Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2005, 2-3 April 2005, Edinburgh, Scotland. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'04:** 2nd Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of ETAPS 2004, 27-28 March 2004, Barcelona - Spain. Member of the program committee and PC chair.
- PPDP'03:** ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Principles and Practice of Declarative Programming, 27-29 August 2003, Uppsala, Sweden. Member of the program committee.
- QAPL'01:** ACM Workshop on Quantitative Aspects of Programming Languages, Satellite Event of PLI 2001, 3-7 September 2001, Firenze, Italy. Member of the program committee and PC chair.
- AGP'00:** APPIA-GULP-PRODE'00 — Joint Conference on Declarative Programming, Cuba, December 2000. Member of the Program Committee.