Pandolfo Mario Edoardo

Education

Nov. 2024 - University of Sapienza - Rome, Italy

Today Currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Data Science with a focus on interdisciplinary research.

Actively collaborating with two research laboratories:

- CDCS (Center for Data Science and Complexity for Society), led by Professor Walter Quattrociocchi, working on projects involving complex systems, misinformation, and network science.
- SPAICOM (Signal Processing and Artificial Intelligence for Communications), under the supervision of Professor Paolo Di Lorenzo, focusing on signal processing, deep learning, and AI for communication systems.

2022 – 2024 University of Sapienza – Rome, Italy

M.Sc. in Data Science - 110/110 cum laude and honors

· Thesis: Latent Space Alignment for Semantic Communications.

2018 – 2021 University of Sapienza – Rome, Italy

B.Sc. in Computer and System Engineering

· Thesis: A Deep Learning Approach to Face Mask Detection.

2013 – 2018 Liceo Scientifico Statale Talete – Rome, Italy

High School graduation

· Thesis: Human perceptions: between irrational and rational.

Certifications

- · A1 Key for Schools KET.
- · B1 Preliminary for Schools PET.
- · B2 First for Schools FCE.
- ECDL Full Standard.
- · Certificate of Completion Gurobi Optimization 101 for Data Scientist.
- AWS Educate Introduction to Cloud 101.
- · AWS Educate Getting Started with Compute / Serverless / Storage.
- · AWS Academy Graduate AWS Academy Cloud Foundations.

Honors and scholarships

2024 Honour Program (University of Sapienza)

- In collaboration with the CDCS lab, I carried out an exploratory study aimed at developing a method to identify the semantic variations among dialects used in online communities.
- Supported Prof. Fabrizio Silvestri in mentoring a Master's student during their thesis work, offering research advice and technical feedback throughout the project.

2017 1° place in "Come suona la tua vita" contest (Liceo Scientifico Talete)

A writing contest about the meaning of music. I won first prize in the aphorisms category.

Publications

Semantic Channel Equalization Strategies for Deep Joint Source-Channel Coding

L. Pannacci, S. Fiorellino, M. E. Pandolfo, E. Calvanese Strinati, P. Di Lorenzo *Proc. of IEEE GLOBECOM Workshop 2025*.

- RIS-aided Latent Space Alignment for Semantic Channel Equalization
 T. Hüttebräucker, M. E. Pandolfo, S. Fiorellino, E. Calvanese Strinati, P. Di Lorenzo arXiv preprint arXiv:2507.16450 (2025).
- Patterns, Models, and Challenges in Online Social Media: A Survey
 N. Di Marco, A. Bonetti, E. Di Martino, E. Loru, J. Nudo, M. E. Pandolfo, G. Pecile, E. Sangiorgio, I. Scalco, S. Zollo, M. Cinelli, F. Zollo and W. Quattrociocchi arXiv preprint arXiv:2507.13379 (2025).
- Generative Exaggeration in LLM Social Agents: Consistency, Bias, and Toxicity

J. Nudo, M. E. Pandolfo, E. Loru, M. Samory, M. Cinelli and W. Quattrociocchi *arXiv preprint arXiv:2507.00657 (2025)*.

- Federated Latent Space Alignment for Multi-user Semantic Communications
 G. Di Poce*, M. E. Pandolfo*, E. Calvanese Strinati, and P. Di Lorenzo
 Proc. of IEEE SPAWC 2025.
- · Latent Space Alignment for AI-Native MIMO Semantic Communications
 M. E. Pandolfo, S. Fiorellino, E. Calvanese Strinati, and P. Di Lorenzo

 Proc. of IEEE IJCNN 2025.

Experience

Sept. 2016 to

June 2018

| 16th June 2025 to Today | CNIT (Scientific Consultant) - Rome, Italy |
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| | • CNIT - Consorzio Nazionale Interuniversitario per le Telecomunicazioni. |
| | • 6G-GOALS research project: 6G Goal-Oriented AI-enabled Learning and Semantic Communication Networks. |
| Oct. 2025 to Today 2025 | Pattern Recognition for M.Sc. in Electronics Engineering (Tutor) – Rome, Italy Sapienza University of Rome |
| Oct. 2025 to Today 2025 | Computational Intelligence for M.Sc. in Telecommunication Engineering (Tutor) – Rome, Italy Sapienza University of Rome |
| 17th Sept. 2025 to 18th Sept. 2025 | Python Precourses for M.Sc. in Data Science (Instructor) – Rome, Italy Taught incoming Data Science master's students Python basics, Git/GitHub, environment setup with uv, and interactive coding using Jupyter Notebook and Google Colab, building a strong foundation for their coursework and projects. |
| 2nd Oct. 2023 to 20th Feb. 2024 | Advant S.R.L. (Data&AI Junior Consultant) – Rome, Italy |
| | • Focused on big data management and warehouse modeling using DAX, T-SQL, SSIS, PowerBI, Azure, and Databricks. |
| | Contributed to a significant project at Poste Italiane, in which we were reconstructing and optimizing a daily Power BI by effectively managing diverse data sources, applying hands-on skills to ensure accurate reporting and facilitate informed decision-making. |
| 2019 to 2021 | Math & Physics Tutoring (Private) – Rome, Italy Tutoring high school students in Math and Physics. |
| Oct. 2018 to Oct. 2022 | Il Coniglio Volante (Magician and Entertainer) – Rome, Italy I organized and managed magic shows at several bookstores in Rome, including "Il Coniglio Volante", "La Bottega delle Storie", and "Storia e Magia". The target audience for these events was children aged between 8 and 12 years old. |

The lessons were both one hour long and took place twice a week.

I collaborated with colleagues in organizing and managing two martial arts courses

Wu Tao Kwoon Kung Fu (Teacher) – Rome, Italy

for children and teenagers.

Sept. 2014 to Wu Tao Kwoon Kung Fu (Assistant Teacher) – Rome, Italy

June 2016 I assisted teachers in managing classes with more than 20 children and teenagers.

The classes were divided into two sessions, each lasting one hour, and were held twice a week.

University Projects

Oct. 2023 Federated Learning Framework Analysis

https://github.com/JRhin/federated-learning-framework-analysis

This study explores two distinct implementations of Federated Learning, specifically Centralized Federated Learning and Multi-Master Federated Learning. Both architectures were implemented using Docker Swarm.

Sept. 2023 **Time Series Analysis for Portfolio Diversification under the Bayesian Framework**

https://github.com/JRhin/bayesian-portfolio-optimization

The project aims to perform a time series analysis of three major GPU companies (Nvidia, AMD, Intel), to forecast their volatility using the well-known GARCH model and to propose possible strategies for Portfolio Diversification based on asset precision.

July 2023 **PCAP Analysis**

https://github.com/JRhin/pcap-analysis

With a group of colleagues, we conducted a statistical and topological analysis on a packet trace derived from network traffic on 10/04/2019. The dataset was provided by the Mawi Project (link).

March 2023 Google Traffic Analysis

https://github.com/JRhin/Google-traffic-analysis

Starting from an analysis of a sample of data traffic from Google servers, my colleagues and I proposed a pair of dispatchers and schedulers with the goal of minimizing job response time. We achieved an improvement of 89.47% compared to the baseline.

Oct. 2022 Modified ESRGAN for solving the Super Resolution Problem

https://github.com/JRhin/Modified-ESRGAN-for-Super-Resolution-Problem

A colleague and I collaborated on implementing the ESRGAN model using PyTorch (Lightning) with Wasserstein Loss. We introduced two modifications to the original model, named ESRGAN+IR and DRGAN.

Volunteering

13th March Unicef Talent Marathon (Magician)

I participated as a magician in the talent marathon organized by UNICEF ESSEX at the University of Essex.

Competitions

Sept. 2023 ADVANT Training Camp – Rome

The training camp included lectures and hands-on labs on the ETL (Extract, Transform and Load) pipeline in data processing, to put a complete Data & AI project into production. It was then required to participate in a team competition for scraping and transforming GTFS data from ATAC S.p.A. and solving an optimization problem: finding the combination of buses in a certain time slot that covers the longest possible distance in 100 minutes (classic duration of an ATAC ticket).

July 2023 Amazon Training Camp - Rome

Participated in an AWS Amazon Jam during the training camp, tackling 12 challenges on the "AWS Educate Introduction to Cloud 101" module with my team. Surpassed expectations by completing them in less than 4 hours, despite the required time being one hour per challenge.

July 2022 **48-Hour Hackathon – Rome**

Took part in a hackathon organized by the Statistical Learning course. The objective was to implement a machine learning model capable of classifying heart rate frequency zones.

2014 World Traditional Kung Fu Championship - Rome

Participated in the championship at the age of 14, competing in a category where I was the only participant of that age group. Faced competitors over 20 years old.

Technical skills

Programming languages

Proficient in: Python, R

Familiar with: Nix, C, Java, SQL, MatLab, Stata

Software

LATEX, Git, Stata, Colab, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Docker, Neo4j

Languages

English (Professional), Italian (Native)