

Curriculum Vitae – Fall 2021

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Qualifications

2021 – current Ph.D. student in Statistics and Computer Science, Bocconi University, Milan.

2017 – 2021 Master's degree in Computer Science, Master Parisien de Recherche en Informatique

(MPRI), École Normale Supérieure de Paris (ENS Ulm) and Paris Diderot University.

Obtained with the highest honors, rank 1/65

2016 – 2017 Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, ENS Ulm.

Awards and Scholarships

2016 – 2021 Élève normalien (student and civil servant), ENS Ulm.
 2016 Admitted to ENS Ulm, Computer Science, rank 1.

2014 International Olympiad in Informatics (IOI), Bronze Medal.

2013 – 2014 National selections for the IOI, rank 1.

Research Interests

I am broadly interested in theoretical computer science, with a preference for approximation algorithms, average-case analysis, and the role of randomness in computation. My current research projects consist in leveraging techniques from online optimization to tackle discrepancy and sparsification problems.

Research Experiences

Feb. – Jul. 2021 Research Internship, Paris Diderot University, France.

Improved algorithms for combinatorial discrepancy, advised by Adrian Vladu.

Sep. – Dec. 2020 Research Internship, Bocconi University, Italy.

Refutation of random constraint satisfaction problems, advised by Luca Trevisan.

Feb. – Jun. 2018 Research Internship, Eindhoven University of Technology, Netherlands.

The 2^{n/2} time barrier for the subset sum problem, advised by Nikhil Bansal.

Jun. – Jul. 2017 Research Internship, University of Louvain, Belgium.

Experimental linear cryptanalysis of DES, advised by François-Xavier Standaert.

Language Skills

French: native

English: C1/C2 (TOEFL 117/120)

- German: C1

Russian, Italian: A1/A2

