Lorenzo Versini

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I am a DPhil (PhD) student at the University of Oxford working on experimental ion trap quantum computing. I also have a strong interest in data science, with focus on its applications in science and everyday life.

University and Education:

DPhil in Atomic and Laser Physics, University of Oxford (UK)

- Working on developing entanglement across separate ion traps using photons and cavities. Supervisors: Dr. Joe Goodwin, Prof. David Lucas. Experience with Optics (gaussian optics, locking to a cavity, AOM, EOM), electronics (FPGA, microcontrollers), vacuum assembly, CAD design for precision optical assemblies. Recipient of Quantum Simulation and Computing Hub scholarship.
- Rower and cox regularly competing at university level, 2023/24 captain of coxes in my college. Singer at the Mansfield College choir. Welfare Officer in the Mansfield College Middle Common Room (MCR).
- Engaged with physics outreach project. Delivered a quantum computing workshop to children from disadvantaged backgrounds and to Marie Curious festival hosted by Warwick University.

Physics MSci, Imperial College London (UK)

- Graduated with first-class honours (79.97%). Awards: Dean's list in Year 1, 2 and 4 (top 10% of the class).
- MSci Thesis: Applied Machine Learning techniques to reconstruct quantum ensembles from simulated measurements (pre-print: arXiv:2305.01465).
- Modules include: Quantum Information (85.00%), Information Theory (88.00%), Quantum Field Theory (95.00%). .
- Labs: (Year 3) built a pulse oximeter with a microprocessor coded in Assembly (91.00%, "Overall an outstanding report"). Used it to investigate my heartbeat during a night of sleep.
- Head of talent development at Imperial College Data Science Society (2021-2022): delivered lectures and workshops on Machine Learning. Physics Society Events Officer (2020-2021): awarded "Full Colors" prize by Royal College of Science Union (RCSU) for outstanding volunteering efforts. One of our virtual talks gathered 200+ participants.

Machine Learning and Data Science:

Quantum Computing Hackathon

Led a team of 5 students into winning the second prize at the QC hackathon organised by the National Quantum • Computing Center (NQCC) in the UK. Developed a quantum-classical hybrid machine learning algorithm to do predictions on a time-series dataset provided by Rolls Royce. Libraries we used: PyTorch, PennyLane.

Bloomberg Analytics & Global Data Launch Programme

Participated to 10 days long series of seminars held by Bloomberg professionals. Learned about the roles of Analytics and Global Data Departments and basic finance concepts.

Coursera, Stanford course on Machine Learning by Andrew Ng

Introduction to Machine Learning (bias, variance, regularisation) and algorithms including Neural Networks.

Work Experience:

UK Dementia Research Institute (Imperial College Hub)

Software Developer Summer Intern

3 months summer internship. Implemented a Flutter App to configure and read the Wi-Fi settings of a Raspberry Pi's over Bluetooth. Gained experience with Docker, Visual Studio Code, Flutter and Dart, Git.

Imperial College London

Research Summer Intern

3 months research experience in the Bioengineering Department of Optical Imaging (supervisor Dr Christopher Rowlands). Worked on algorithms such as image stack de-shearing, coded a Fresnel optics simulation tool, and investigated the Point Spread Function across the field of view of an Oblique Plane Microscope (OPM).

Skills:

Computer Languages and Developer Tools: experienced Python user. Microsoft Office and git. Dart language and Flutter for App development. Basics of C++ and Java. Languages: Italian (native), English (fluent), German (A2).

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