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## Education

**Sapienza University of Rome** Rome, Italy  
PhD in Automatic Control, Bioengineering, November 2021 – ongoing  
and Operations Research  
Tutor : Prof. Alessandro De Luca

**TU Delft** Delft, Netherlands  
Visiting student at the CoR department August 2021 – December 2021  
Tutor: Prof. Cosimo Della Santina

**Sapienza University of Rome** Rome, Italy  
MA in Control Engineering September 2019 – October 2021  
Final grade: 110/110 cum laude  
GPA: 30/30  
Thesis title : *Feedback Control of Elastically Decoupled Underactuated Soft Robots*  
Thesis tutors : Prof. Alessandro De Luca, Prof. Cosimo Della Santina

**Università degli Studi Roma Tre** Rome, Italy  
BA in Computer Engineering September 2016 – July 2019  
Final grade : 110/110 cum laude  
GPA: 29,836/30  
Thesis title : *Sviluppo di un'interfaccia C/C++ per stampanti 3D*  
Tutor : Prof. Francesco Riganti Fulginei

## Honors and scholarships

International Thesis Scholarship 2021  
Faculty of Information Engineering, Computer Science, and Statistics  
Sapienza University of Rome

First place in the Student Honor Program for Control Engineering 2021  
Tutors : Prof. Alessandro Di Giorgio, Dr. Francesco Liberati

Wanted the Best Scholarship 2019  
Sapienza University of Rome

Lazio DiSCo Scholarship 2019

Merit Scholarship 2017  
Università degli Studi Roma Tre

Professional experiences

**Enry's Island,** Pescara, Italy

Front-end web developer Summer 2019

**Personal assistant for blind man,** Rome, Italy  
2017-Winter 2020

**Sicurezza Attiva srl,** Rome, Italy  
Alarm installer Summer 2016 - Summer 2019

University projects

**Nonlinear state observers for robots with elastic joints,** course of Robotics 2

The goal of the project was to study observers for robots with elastic joints. Emphasis was given to the extension of a Luenberger-like observer from SISO to MIMO nonlinear plants. Then, the theoretical results have been validated on flexible joint robots.

**Strategies for robust gait generation in humanoid robots,** course of Autonomous and Mobile Robotics

The goal of the project was to study, compare and implement, adopting as dynamic model for a biped walking robot the linear inverted pendulum, different MPC schemes for robust gait generation.

**Running Gait Generation for Humanoids: A Biologically Inspired Approach,** course of Underactuated Robots

The goal of the project was to study a running generator for humanoids based on observations of human run and implement the algorithm on MATLAB/Simulink.

Skills

**Programming**

Proficient in: MATLAB/Simulink, C, Python, Java, Javascript

Familiar with: C++, Julia, PHP, HTML/CSS, OCaml, SQL, C#, YAML

**Markup languages and formats**

Latex, HTML/CSS, XML, JSON

**Operating systems**

Proficient in: Debian GNU/Linux

Familiar with: Windows

**Software and Frameworks**

Proficient in: LibreOffice, MQTT, Xamarin, Bootstrap, Eclipse, FreeNAS, Home Assistant

Familiar with: Wireshark

**CAD modeling**

Familiar with: Fusion 360

**Languages**

Italian (mother tongue)

English (fluent)