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Postdoctoral fellow

SISSA – International School for Advanced Studies, Trieste (Italy)



Personal details

- 27/07/1993
- Italian
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Research interests

- Dynamical Systems theory and applications
- Mathematical Epidemiology and Ecology:
control and optimal control problems,
socio-behavioural aspects, agent-based models
- Kinetic models of infectious and autoimmune diseases

Programming languages

C++, Fortran, Pascal

Mathematical software packages

MATLAB, Wolfram Mathematica

Employment

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| 12/2021 – current | Postdoctoral fellow – SISSA, Trieste (Italy)
International School for Advanced Studies, Mathematics Area
Mathematical Analysis, Modelling and Applications Group
Coordinator: Prof. Rozza G |
| 09/2021 – 11/2021 | INdAM Postdoctoral fellow – University of Naples Federico II (Italy)
Funding institution: Istituto Nazionale di Alta Matematica, Roma (Italy)
Host institution: University of Naples Federico II, Dept. Mathematics and Applications
Supervisor: Prof. Buonomo B |
| 01/2021 – 08/2021 | Research fellow – IZSLER, Parma (Italy)
Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale della Lombardia e dell'Emilia Romagna
Risk Analysis and Genomic Epidemiology Unit
Supervisor: Dr. Pongolini S |

Habilitations

- 06/02/2023 – 06/02/2033 Italian National Scientific Habilitation as Associate Professor in Mathematical Physics (ASN, 01/A4)

Education

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| 26/02/2021 | PhD in Mathematics <i>cum laude</i> – University of Parma (Italy)
In convention with University of Ferrara and University of Modena and Reggio Emilia
Thesis: Some Challenging Control Problems in Mathematical and Behavioral Epidemiology
Supervisor: Prof. Groppi M |
| 18/07/2017 | MSc in Mathematics (110/110 <i>cum laude</i>) – University of Naples Federico II (Italy)
Thesis: Optimal Control of Periodic Epidemic Models
Advisor: Prof. Buonomo B |
| 27/10/2015 | BSc in Mathematics (110/110 <i>cum laude</i>) – University of Naples Federico II (Italy)
Thesis: Archi in PG(2,Q) e Calotte in PG(3,Q)
Advisor: Prof. Durante N |

Visiting periods

- 01/03/2020 – 15/04/2020 Visiting PhD student – CMAT-UMinho, Guimarães (Portugal)
Universidade do Minho, Centro de Matemática
Local advisor: Prof. Soares AJ

14/02/2019 – 17/04/2019 Visiting PhD student – iPRI, Lyon (France)
International Prevention Research Institute
Local advisor: Dr. d'Onofrio A

Research grants

Fellowships

- 02/2020 Travel fellowship to support the visiting at CMAT-UMinho (Portugal)
Awarded by University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, €1,000
- 01/2019 Travel fellowship to support the visiting at iPRI (France)
Awarded by Laboratory Ypatia of Mathematical Sciences, €1,836

Projects

- 03/2023 – 02/2026 **FCT** Grant for Scientific Research and Technological Development Projects
Project: Mathematical Modeling of Multi-scale Control Systems: applications to human diseases
Role: participant (PI: Prof. Silva C), €249,756
- 03/2023 – 02/2025 University of Parma – **MUR** Grant for Research 2022
Project: Collective and self-organised dynamics: kinetic and network approaches
Role: participant (PI: Prof. Groppi M), €56,892
- 01/2023 – 12/2023 INdAM GNFM Grant for Young Researchers 2023
Project: Systems of PDEs for the interaction of epidemics, individual behaviour and mobility patterns
Role: PI, €2,500
- 02/2021 – 07/2022 INdAM GNFM Grant for Young Researchers 2020
Project: Kinetic models for the transmission of infectious diseases through interactions among individuals
Role: participant (PI: Dr. Loy N), €2,800

Awards

- 28/07/2023 **UMI-MSE prize 2023** for the best PhD thesis concerning research in mathematical epidemiology, social and population dynamics
Awarded by UMI group ‘Modellistica Socio-Epidemiologica’, €350 voucher for Springer books as a gift
- 05/06/2015 Faculty prize 2015 for the most meritorious students
Awarded by University of Naples Federico II, electronic device as a gift

Papers

20. Della Marca R, Menale M. Modelling the impact of opinion flexibility on the vaccination choices during epidemics. *Ric Mat* 2024 (In press)
19. Buonomo B, Della Marca R. A behavioural vaccination model with application to meningitis spread in Nigeria. *Appl Math Model* 2024; 125:334-350
18. Della Marca R, d'Onofrio A, Sensi M, Sottile S. A geometric analysis of the impact of large but finite switching rates on vaccination evolutionary games. *Nonlinear Anal Real World Appl* 2024; 75:103986 [Preprint: arXiv:2303.14248]
17. Della Marca R, Loy N, Tosin A. An SIR model with viral load-dependent transmission. *J Math Biol* 2023; 86:61 [Preprint: arXiv:2208.12004v1]
16. Della Marca R, Loy N, Menale M. Intransigent vs. volatile opinions in a kinetic epidemic model with imitation game dynamics. *Math Med Biol* 2023; 40(2):111-140
15. Della Marca R, Groppi M, Soares AJ. Human-induced oscillations in a network landscape model. *Commun Nonlinear Sci Numer Simul* 2022; 115:106722
14. Buonomo B, Della Marca R, Rionero S. Oscillation thresholds via the novel MBR method with application to oncolytic virotherapy. *Nonlinear Anal: Model Control* 2022; 27(5):948-963
13. Buonomo B, Della Marca R, Sharbayta SS. A behavioral change model to assess vaccination-induced relaxation of social distancing during an epidemic. *J Biol Syst* 2022; 30(1):1-25
12. Della Marca R, Machado Ramos MP, Ribeiro C, Soares AJ. Mathematical modelling of oscillating patterns for chronic autoimmune diseases. *Math Methods Appl Sci* 2022; 45(11):7144-7161 [Preprint: 10.22541/au.163571651.16943259/v1]

11. Della Marca R, Loy N, Tosin A. An SIR-like kinetic model tracking individuals' viral load. *Netw Heterog Media* 2022; 17(3):467-494 [Preprint: arXiv:2106.14480]
10. Buonomo B, Della Marca R, d'Onofrio A, Groppi M. A behavioural modelling approach to assess the impact of COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy. *J Theor Biol* 2022; 534:110973 [Preprint: arXiv:2106.11745]
9. Bolzoni L, Della Marca R, Groppi M. On the optimal control of SIR model with Erlang-distributed infectious period: isolation strategies. *J Math Biol* 2021; 83:36
8. Della Marca R, d'Onofrio A. Volatile opinions and optimal control of vaccine awareness campaigns: chaotic behaviour of the forward-backward sweep algorithm vs. heuristic direct optimization. *Commun Nonlinear Sci Numer Simul* 2021; 98:105768
7. Buonomo B, Della Marca R. Effects of information-induced behavioural changes during the COVID-19 lockdowns: the case of Italy. *R Soc Open Sci* 2020; 7:201635 [Preprint: medRxiv 2020.05.20.20107573]
6. Bolzoni L, Della Marca R, Groppi M, Gragnani A. Dynamics of a metapopulation epidemic model with localized culling. *Discrete Contin Dyn Syst Ser B* 2020; 25(6):2307-2330
5. Bolzoni L, Bonacini E, Della Marca R, Groppi M. Optimal control of epidemic size and duration with limited resources. *Math Biosci* 2019; 315:108232
4. Buonomo B, Della Marca R. Oscillations and hysteresis in an epidemic model with information-dependent imperfect vaccination. *Math Comput Simul* 2019; 162:97-114
3. Buonomo B, Della Marca R, d'Onofrio A. Optimal public health intervention in a behavioural vaccination model: the interplay between seasonality, behaviour and latency period. *Math Med Biol* 2019; 36(3):297-324
2. Groppi M, Della Marca R. Modelli epidemiologici e vaccinazioni: da Bernoulli a oggi. *Mat Cult Soc Riv Unione Mat Ital* 2018; 3(1):45-59
1. Buonomo B, Della Marca R. Optimal bed net use for a dengue disease model with mosquito seasonal pattern. *Math Methods Appl Sci* 2018; 41(2):573-592

Scientific communications

Seminars

- 06/02/2023 University of Addis Ababa (Ethiopia)
 18/06/2021 MCMslot – Online Series of Seminars 2021
 24/07/2020 Universidade do Minho, Braga (Portugal) [webinar]
 29/05/2020 Universidade de Aveiro (Portugal) [webinar]

Invited talks

- 07/09/2023 XXII Congress of the ‘Unione Matematica Italiana’, Pisa (Italy)
 11/07/2023 MS ‘Control theory perspectives on mathematical epidemiology’ within the World Congress of the ‘International Federation of Automatic Control’, Yokohama (Japan)
 29/06/2023 Kick off Meeting on ‘Collective and Self-Organised Dynamics: Kinetic and Network Approaches’, Parma (Italy)
 18/05/2023 Workshop on ‘Modellistica Socio-Epidemiologica’, Naples (Italy)
 09/02/2023 Ethio-Italy Colloquium on ‘Applied Mathematics’, Hawassa (Ethiopia)
 15/12/2021 Young Researchers Conference on ‘Numerical Aspects of Hyperbolic Balance Laws and Related Problems’, Verona (Italy)
 03/09/2021 MS ‘Novel approaches in the mathematical understanding of COVID-19 epidemic’ within the Congress of the ‘Italian Society of Applied and Industrial Mathematics’, Parma (Italy)
 30/08/2021 MS ‘Mathematical models in ecology and epidemiology’ within the Congress of the ‘Italian Society of Applied and Industrial Mathematics’, Parma (Italy)
 02/07/2020 Online Workshop on ‘Stochastic Modeling on Complex Systems’
 04/04/2020 Electronic Workshop on ‘Collective Models, Control and Uncertainty Quantification for Infectious Diseases and Related Problems’

Contributed talks

- 11/07/2022 SIAM Conference on ‘Life Sciences’, Pittsburgh (Pennsylvania, US)

- 15/06/2022 International Conference on ‘Models in Population Dynamics, Ecology and Evolution’, Turin (Italy)
- 10/06/2022 XXI International Conference on ‘Waves and Stability in Continuous Media’, Catania (Italy)
- 27/05/2022 Conference for the 100 years of the ‘Unione Matematica Italiana’ and 800 years of the University of Padova, Padova (Italy)
- 26/11/2021 Naples one-day Workshop on ‘Recent Advances in Mathematical Physics’, Naples (Italy)
- 07/09/2021 XLVI Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 06/02/2020 11th Workshop on ‘Dynamical Systems Applied to Biology and Natural Sciences’, Trento (Italy)
- 04/09/2019 XLIV Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 20/09/2018 XLIII Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 2nd Erice International Conference on ‘Mathematical and Computational Epidemiology’, Erice (Italy)
- 04/09/2018 CIME-EMS Summer School on ‘The Mathematics of Mechanobiology’, Cetraro (Italy)

Posters

- 05/02/2019 10th Workshop on ‘Dynamical Systems Applied to Biology and Natural Sciences’, Naples (Italy)
- 15/06/2018 9th Summer School on ‘Methods and Models of Kinetic Theory’, Porto Ercole (Italy)
- 07/02/2018 9th Workshop on ‘Dynamical Systems Applied to Biology and Natural Sciences’, Turin (Italy)

Events organization

2021 – 2022 Online Series of Seminars ‘Divulgazioni Notturne di Fisica Matematica’

Schools attendance

- 06 – 15/09/2021 XLVI Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 13 – 15/01/2020 Winter School on ‘Reaction Diffusion PDE's and Optimization’, Brescia (Italy)
- 02 – 14/09/2019 XLIV Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 08 – 12/07/2019 Summer School on ‘Data Science and Epidemic Models’, Trento (Italy)
- 26 – 30/11/2018 Autumn School on ‘From Interacting Particle Systems to Kinetic Equations: Modelling, Control, and Numerical Methods’, Verona (Italy)
- 10 – 22/09/2018 XLIII Summer School on ‘Mathematical Physics’, Ravello (Italy)
- 27 – 31/08/2018 CIME-EMS Summer School on ‘The Mathematics of Mechanobiology’, Cetraro (Italy)
- 10 – 16/06/2018 9th Summer School on ‘Methods and Models of Kinetic Theory’, Porto Ercole (Italy)

Memberships

07/2022 – current SIAM (Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics)

01/2018 – current INdAM GNFM (Italian National Group of Mathematical Physics)

Editorial activity

Review Editor for *Front Appl Math Stat*

Reviewer for *Sci Rep; Appl Math Model; PLoS ONE; Commun Nonlinear Sci Numer Simul; J Theor Biol; Math Biosci; J Optim Theory Appl; Math Comput Simul; Math Methods Appl Sci; J Biol Syst; J Appl Math Comput; Ric Mat; Adv Differ Equ; Math Comput Model Dyn Syst; Decis Econ Finance*

Teaching activity

Lecturer

2022 – 2023 PhD in Mathematical Analysis, Modelling, and Applications, course ‘Topics in Mathematical Epidemiology’ – SISSA

Teaching assistant

2018 – 2020 BSc in Chemistry, course ‘Mathematics 1 and exercises’, Prof. Lorenzi LFG – University of Parma

Tutoring

2019 – 2020 BSc in Engineering – University of Parma

2018 – 2020 BSc in Chemistry – University of Parma

2018 – 2019 BSc in Biology; MSc in Biomolecular, Genomic and Cellular Sciences; MSc in Genomic, Molecular and Industrial Biotechnologies – University of Parma

2016 – 2017 BSc in Mathematics – University of Naples Federico II (student-to-student tutoring)

Mentoring activity

Co-advisor of BSc thesis in Mathematics

17/12/2020 *Modelli matematici per malattie trasmesse da vettore e applicazione al West Nile virus* (Alinovi A), University of Parma

26/09/2019 *Analisi di modelli epidemiologici con vaccinazione dipendente dalla scelta* (Ongari C), University of Parma

14/12/2017 *Analisi qualitativa di un modello SIS con esenzione razionale dalla vaccinazione* (Martani S), University of Parma

Dissemination activity

Seminars

07/06/2021 ‘Stage di Matematica e Informatica’, University of Parma

10/05/2021 ‘Campus di Matematica, Intelligenza Artificiale e Crittografia’, University of Turin

10/06/2019 ‘Stage di Matematica e Informatica’, University of Parma

Books

2020 Della Marca R. *La vaccinazione nei modelli epidemiologici: da Bernoulli a oggi – Con una prefazione di Paolo Linati*. Amazon Publishing

Events

27/09/2019 Participation to ‘2019 European Researchers’ Night’, University of Parma

Miscellaneous

03/11/2015 Goethe Zertifikat A2 Start Deutsch 2

05/07/2012 High school diploma (100/100 *cum laude*) – Liceo Classico AM de’ Liguori, Acerra (Italy)

20/06/2011 ESOL Certificate Level B2 Vantage

14/05/2010 ECDL – European Computer Driving Licence