

Curriculum Vitae

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Postdoctoral researcher at Simula Research laboratory, Oslo, Norway

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Education and research

- from 4/2022 Postdoc researcher at the Simula laboratory as a computational neuroscientist.
- from 6/2020 Joint postdoc at USI and at the Locarno institute of solar research (IRSOL), working on the simulation of radiative transfer in stellar atmospheres.
- 8/2019–10/2019 Research visitor at Berkeley Lab collaborating with Dr. Michael Minion on parallel-in-time methods.
- 10/2015–5/2020 PhD student in Computational Science at USI with advisor Prof. Rolf Krause. Part of the project “Exasovlers: Software for Exascale Computing” concerning the study and implementation of new numerical schemes for massively parallel machines exploiting parallelism in time for PDEs solvers.
- 1/2014–9/2015 Student assistant at USI working on scalable algorithms for astrophysical applications.
- 9/2013–9/2015 Master’s degree with summa cum laude in Applied Mathematics and Computational Science at USI with thesis “A Parallel Multigrid Solver for Time-periodic Incompressible Navier-Stokes Equations” at ETH Zurich within the Swiss mobility program.
- 9/2009–4/2013 Bachelor’s degree in Physics at University of Pavia with thesis title: “Neutrino Oscillations”.

Awards and events

- 2023 Lecturer at Simula Summer School in Computational Physiology.
- 2023 Organizing mini-symposium “High-performance computing tools for mixed dimensional problems ” at SIAM CSE23, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- 2022 Organizing mini-symposium “Scalable multilevel and multi-fidelity strategies for radiative transfer problems” at the International Multigrid Conference, Lugano, Switzerland.

- 2022 Granted a development proposal for computing resources in the Swiss super computing centre, in the context of solar simulations.
Awarded for a computinghours for development project at CSCS TODO
- 2019 Winner of the SIAM Travel Award grant to attend the CSE19 conference held in Spokane, USA.
- 2017 Organization of the summer school at USI: “Generalized locally Toeplitz sequences: a spectral analysis tool for discretized differential equations”, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2015 Winner of the grant “USIimpresa” as best student in the computer science faculty.
- 2013 Finalist in the programming competition “Dyalog APL Worldwide programming contest”.

Conferences participations

- 1/2024 Speaker at DD28, KAUST, Saudi Arabia.
- 11/2023 Speaker at SfN, Washington, USA.
- 8/2023 Speaker at ICIAM, Tokyo, Japan.
- 7/2023 Speaker at the MICROCARD workshop, Strasbourg, France.
- 11/2022 Speaker at SPW10, Kyoto, Japan.
- 9/2022 Speaker at GIMC SIMAI YOUNG 2022, Pavia, Italy.
- 8/2022 Speaker at IMG2022, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 7/2022 Speaker at the 11th Parallel-in-Time Workshop, CIRM, France.
- 6/2022 Speaker at the ECCOMAS conference in Oslo, Norway.
- 2/2022 Speaker at the SIAM PP21 conference, held online.
- 9/2021 Speaker at the SIMAI 2021 conference in Parma, Italy.
- 8/2021 Speaker at the USNCCM16 conference and at the 10th Parallel-in-Time Workshop, both held online.
- 3/2021 Speaker at the SIAM CSE conference, held online.
- 12/2020 Speaker at the FOMICS-DADSI winter school on cardiac simulations, held online.
- 6/2020 Speaker at the 9th Parallel-in-Time Workshop, held online.
- 5/2019 Speaker at the 8th Parallel-in-Time Workshop in Bielefeld, Germany.
- 2/2019 Speaker at CSE19 conference in Spokane, USA.

7/2018	Speaker at DD25 conference in St John's, Canada.
4/2018	Poster at the Swiss Numerics Day, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland.
10/2017	Speaker at the 6th Parallel-in-Time Workshop, Ascona, Switzerland.
6/2017	Speaker at LSSC17 conference in Sozopol, Bulgaria.
3/2017	Speaker at the 18th Copper Mountain Conference On Multigrid Methods, Colorado.
2/2017	Speaker at DD24 conference in Svalbard, Norway.
6/2016	Speaker at MAFELAP conference, London.
6/2016	Speaker at ECCOMAS conference, Crete.
3/2016	Speaker at SIAM PP16 conference, Paris.
12/2015	Speaker at the CBC Workshop on Dynamic Adaptivity, Simula, Oslo.

Teaching and supervision

2024	Supervision of Lin Xintan master's thesis, for the degree in AI at USI.
2023	Supervision of Alessandro Gatti master's thesis, for the degree in mathematics at Trento University.
2022	Supervision of Halvor Herlyng PhD candidate in the department of Scientific Computing at Simula.
2020	Supervision of Simone Riva, PhD candidate in Computational Science at USI.
2020	Teaching assistant for Functional and Numerical Analysis at USI.
2019	Teaching assistant for Theory of Computation at USI.
2018	Teaching assistant for Fast Solvers at USI.
2018	Teaching assistant for Introduction to PDEs at USI.
2017	Teaching assistant for Linear Algebra at USI.
2017	Teaching assistant for Introduction to Computational Science at USI.

Computational tools

C/C++, MATLAB, Python and Fortran. Good knowledge of multi-threading protocols for parallel computing (MPI and OpenMP) and HPC frameworks, such as PETSc. Experience with finite element libraries (LibMesh and Fenics).

Publications

- [1] G. Janett, P. Benedusi, and F. Riva, “Numerical solutions to linear transfer problems of polarized radiation IV. Efficient preconditioning in a physics-based framework,” *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2024.
Accepted, to appear.
- [2] P. Benedusi, P. Ferrari, M. Rognes, and S. Serra-Capizzano, “Modeling excitable cells with the EMI equations: spectral analysis and iterative solution strategy,” *Journal of Scientific Computing*, vol. 98, no. 3, p. 58, 2024.
- [3] N. Guerreiro, G. Janett, S. Riva, P. Benedusi, and L. Belluzzi, “Modeling scattering polarization in the solar Ca I 4227 Å line with angle-dependent PRD effects and bulk velocities,” *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, 2024.
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- [7] P. Benedusi, G. Janett, L. Belluzzi, and R. Krause, “Numerical solutions to linear transfer problems of polarized radiation-II. Krylov methods and matrix-free implementation,” *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, vol. 655, p. A88, 2021.
- [8] G. Janett, P. Benedusi, L. Belluzzi, and R. Krause, “Numerical solutions to linear transfer problems of polarized radiation-I. Algebraic formulation and stationary iterative methods,” *Astronomy & Astrophysics*, vol. 655, p. A87, 2021.
- [9] P. Benedusi, M. L. Minion, and R. Krause, “An experimental comparison of a space-time multigrid method with pfasst for a reaction-diffusion problem,” *Computers & Mathematics with Applications*, vol. 99, pp. 162–170, 2021.
- [10] P. Benedusi, P. Ferrari, C. Garoni, R. Krause, and S. Serra-Capizzano, “Fast parallel solver for the space-time IgA-DG discretization of the diffusion equation,” *Journal of Scientific Computing*, vol. 89, no. 1, pp. 1–21, 2021.
- [11] S. B. Bader, P. Benedusi, A. Quaglino, P. Zulian, and R. Krause, “Space-time multilevel Monte Carlo methods and their application to cardiac electrophysiology,” *Journal of Computational Physics*, vol. 433, p. 110164, 2021.
- [12] P. Benedusi, C. Garoni, R. Krause, X. Li, and S. Serra-Capizzano, “Space-time FE-DG discretization of the anisotropic diffusion equation in any dimension: the

- spectral symbol,” *SIAM Journal on Matrix Analysis and Applications*, vol. 39, no. 3, pp. 1383–1420, 2018.
- [13] A. Kreienbuehl, P. Benedusi, D. Ruprecht, and R. Krause, “Time-parallel Gravitational Collapse Simulation,” *Communications in Applied Mathematics and Computational Science*, vol. 12, no. 1, pp. 109–128, 2017.
- [14] L. Grasedyck, C. Löbber, G. Wittum, A. Nägel, V. Schulz, M. Siebenborn, R. Krause, P. Benedusi, U. Küster, and B. Dick, “Space and time parallel multigrid for optimization and uncertainty quantification in PDE simulations,” in *Software for Exascale Computing-SPPEXA 2013-2015*, pp. 507–523, Springer, 2016.
- [15] P. Benedusi, D. Hupp, P. Arbenz, and R. Krause, “A parallel multigrid solver for time-periodic incompressible Navier–Stokes equations in 3D,” in *Numerical Mathematics and Advanced Applications ENUMATH 2015*, pp. 265–273, Springer, 2016.
- [16] P. Benedusi, *Parallel space-time multilevel methods with application to electrophysiology*. PhD thesis, Università della Svizzera italiana, 2020.