

# RAFFAELE POJER

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## EDUCATION

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**PhD in Computer Science (Ongoing)** 2023 - Present

*Aalborg University, Denmark*

Enrolled as a PhD student in Computer Science at Aalborg University. Working on a neuro-symbolic approach for Graph Neural Networks using Relational Bayesian Networks encodings.

Supervisor: *Manfred Jaeger* Co-supervisors: *Kim Larsen* and *Andrea Passerini*

**Master's Degree in Artificial Intelligence Systems** 2020 - 2023

*University of Trento, Italy*

Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Advanced Topics in Machine Learning and Optimization, Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence, Advanced Computer Vision, Bio-Inspired Artificial Intelligence, Signal Image and Video (SIV).

**Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science** 2017 - 2020

*University of Trento, Italy*

Relevant Coursework: Algorithms and Data Structure, Mathematical Foundation of Computer Science, Calculus, Geometry and Linear Algebra, Formal languages and compilers, Operating Systems.

**High School Diploma, ICT specialization** 2012 - 2017

*ITT M. Buonarroti, Trento, Italy*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Internship at Aalborg University** Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

*Aalborg University, Denmark*

- Curricular internship for thesis research. The topic is the combination of Relational Bayesian Networks (RBNs) and Graph Neural Networks (GNNs): a new neuro-symbolic approach for learning and reasoning about graph data.

Supervisors: Professors *Manfred Jaeger* and *Andrea Passerini*.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- R. Pojer, A. Passerini, M. Jaeger, "Generalized Reasoning with Graph Neural Networks by Relational Bayesian Network Encodings", LOG 2023

## SKILLS

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<b>Computer Languages</b>	Python, Java, C, C++, JavaScript
<b>Python libraries</b>	Numpy, Pandas, Sklearn, Scipy
<b>Machine learning frameworks</b>	PyTorch, PyTorch-Geometric
<b>OS</b>	Linux, MacOS, Windows

## PROJECTS

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**Botch.** Bachelor thesis project. Mod of Scratch 3.0 to teach kids rudimentary basics of evolutionary computing. ([Try it here](#))

**Variable Name Prediction.** Predicting Python variable names with Code-Transformer. A program synthesis project for the course of Advanced Topics in Machine Learning and Optimization.

**Language Models.** Written different flavours of RNN architectures from scratch (GRU and LSTM). A NLU course project.

**Unsupervised domain adaptation in Computer Visions.** A team project, where we develop a model based on GANs and cycle-consistent losses for an unsupervised domain-adaptation task.

**Automatic Emergency Sign Detection.** For the course of Signal, Image and Video: developed a classifier that recognize from smartphone photos, emergency sign without the usage of any deep-learning algorithm.

## VOLUNTEERING

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- **First aid volunteer**, Val di Cembra (Italy) 2017 - 2023  
Active volunteer from a first aid health association, Stella Bianca ONLUS. One night shift a week with team of coworkers in an ambulance. ([stellabianca.eu](http://stellabianca.eu))
- **CoderDojo Mentor**, Val di Cembra (Italy) 2018 - Current  
Co-founder and mentor of the CoderDojo Val di Cembra branch. CoderDojo is a global volunteer-led community of free programming workshop for young people between the age of 7 and 17. ([coderdojocembra.it](http://coderdojocembra.it))

## CREATIVE WORKS

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- **Theater**, Altavalle (Italy) 2012 - Current  
Actor, sound and light technician of the Libero Teatro di Grumes philodrama.
- **Photographer**, Altavalle (Italy) 2018 - 2023  
Photographer of the Contavalle projects, hosted by Punto Doc.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- **Premio Mario Roat - Co.F.As.**, Trento (Italy) 2019  
Miglior giovane interprete di un testo dialettale. Targa "Lino Lucchi".  
(best young performer of a dialect text)