



# Luca Leoni

Curriculum Vitae – October 19, 2024

## Personal details

Birth 1999, August the 16th, Faenza (Italy)  
Languages **Italian** (mothertongue), **English** (fluent)  
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## Education

2023–present **Doctorate in physics**, *University of Bologna (Italy)*.  
2021–2023 **Master degree in condensed matter physics**, *University of Bologna (Italy)*.  
110/110 cum laude  
2018–2021 **Bachelor degree in physics**, *University of Bologna (Italy)*.  
110/110 cum laude

### Academic internships

2022–2023 **Research internship**, *University of Vienna (Austria)*.  
Master thesis development  
2022–2022 **Summer school**, *University of Vienna (Austria)*.  
Machine learning for materials hard and soft

## Master Thesis

Title *Enhancing diagrammatic Monte Carlo via machine learning*  
Supervisor Cesare Franchini  
Description Study on the possible strategies to enhance the statistical properties of the diagrammatic Monte Carlo algorithm. Two approaches have been found successful to achieve such task: an analytical one that grants the minimum correlation possible in the Markov Chain, and a more general neural network protocol based on the Normalizing Flow architecture.

## Teaching activities

2024–present Supervisor of bachelor students (University of Bologna, Italy)  
2023–present Teaching assistant of statistical mechanics (University of Bologna, Italy)  
2022–2023 Teaching assistant of Computational Material physics (University of Bologna, Italy)

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## Publications and Preprint

1. \*[Leoni, L.](#) & Franchini, C. Global sampling of Feynman's diagrams through normalizing flow. *Phys. Rev. Res.* **6**, 033041. <https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevResearch.6.033041> (3 July 2024).
2. Angeletti, A., [Luca Leoni](#), Massa, D., Pasquini, L., Papanikolaou, S. & Franchini, C. *Hydrogen Diffusion in Magnesium Using Machine Learning Potentials*, in review 2024. arXiv: 2407.21088 [cond-mat.mtrl-sci]. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.21088>.
3. Birschitzky, V. C., [Luca Leoni](#), Reticcioli, M. & Franchini, C. *Machine Learning Small Polaron Dynamics*, in review 2024. arXiv: 2409.16179 [cond-mat.mtrl-sci]. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.16179>.

## Conferences and Workshops

- Sep 2024 **NIS Colloquia: EX-MACHINA**, *University of Torino (Italy)*, presentation.  
Hydrogen Diffusion in Magnesium Using Machine Learning Potentials
- July 2024 **CECAM workshop: Frontiers in many-body excited-state dynamics from first principles**, *CECAM-HQ-EPFL, Lausanne (Switzerland)*, presentation.  
Machine learning small polaron dynamics
- July 2024 **CECAM workshop: Machine Learning of First Principles Observables**, *Zuse Institute Berlin (Germany)*, contributed talk.  
Machine learning small polaron dynamics
- May 2024 **CECAM workshop: MLM4MS**, *Jožef Stefan Institute (Slovenia)*, poster.  
Global sampling of Feynman diagrams through Normalizing flows
- May 2022 **MANO Spring workshop**, *University of Bologna (Italy)*, presentation.  
Multiscale simulation of phenomena governed by rare events: kinetic Monte Carlo combined with first-principles calculation
- Dec 2021 **MANO Winter workshop**, *University of Bologna (Italy)*, poster.  
Application of Machine Learning to force field based molecular dynamics