

# Luca Arrotta

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## Education

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### PhD in Computer Science

University of Milan

Nov 2020 - Present

Milan, Italy

- Mitigated deep learning issues like data scarcity and lack of transparency in the human activity recognition domain by investigating, designing, and implementing neuro-symbolic AI techniques.
- Participated in the organization of the daily activities of my research group **EveryWare Lab** (5-10 people).

### MSc in Computer Science

University of Milan

Sep 2017 - Dec 2019

Milan, Italy

- Developed my thesis *Semi-supervised learning for multi-inhabitant activity recognition*, supervised by **Prof. Claudio Bettini**.

### BSc in Computer Science for New Media Communications

University of Milan

Sep 2014 - Jul 2017

Milan, Italy

- Developed my thesis *Analysis, design, and development of the GUI of an Android app for indoor navigation accessible to visually impaired people*, supervised by **Prof. Sergio Mascetti**.

## Professional Experience

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### Speaker, content creator, and Writer

Freelancer

Feb 2021 - Present

- Designed and presented in 2 Italian high-schools my seminar "A short journey through AI": a one-hour-long talk that introduces deep learning to those who never got in touch with this world ([seminar website](#)).
- Creator of contents about deep learning for **Datapizza**, the largest Italian community about AI and Data Science.
- Authors of articles and online courses about machine learning ([Github repository](#)) for **Marktechpost**, an AI news platform.

### Cognitive consultant intern - Node.JS, Java, JavaScript, SQL, MongoDB

IBM

Jan 2020 - Jul 2020

Milan, Italy

- Worked in the team that developed a virtual assistant for customer caring for a leading Italian Telco.
- Designed and developed a web application that automatically detects and reports malfunction of the assistant.

## Research Areas

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- Neuro-symbolic and explainable AI techniques for sensor-based human activity recognition
- Single- and multi-inhabitant activity recognition in smart environments
- Context-aware distributed and pervasive systems

## Awards

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- Travel grant at ISACT 2021 summer school.
- TCCC travel grant at PerCom 2021 conference.
- 3 years research grant from the Italian national funding for Ph.D. courses at the Department of Computer Science, University of Milan, 2020.

## Reviewer Activities

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- I have reviewed papers for the IEEE MDM and IEEE PerCom conferences.

## Teaching Activities

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### Distributed and Pervasive Systems (Lab module)

University of Milan

Mar 2021 - Present

Milan, Italy

- Taught for **2 years** the lab module of the MSc course *Distributed and Pervasive Systems*

## Co-Advisor Activities

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- I am/was co-advisor for **3 BSc thesis** and **4 MSc thesis**.

# Talks

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## Conference Talks

- o IEEE DSAA, Virtual, October 2022
- o ACM UbiComp, Cambridge (UK), September 2022
- o IEEE SmartComp, Helsinki (Finland), June 2022
- o EAI MobiQuitous, Virtual, November 2021

## PhD Forums

- o IEEE MDM, Virtual, June 2021

# Publications

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## Journals

1. [Arrotta, L.](#), Civitarese, G., Bettini, C. **DeXAR: Deep Explainable Sensor-Based Activity Recognition in Smart-Home Environments**. Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies, 2022.
2. [Arrotta, L.](#), Civitarese, G., Bettini, C. **MICAR: Multi-Inhabitant Context-Aware Activity Recognition in Home Environments**. Distributed and Parallel Database, Springer, 2022.

## International Conferences

3. [Arrotta, L.](#), Civitarese, G., Fiori, M., Bettini, C. **Explaining Human Activities Instances Using Deep Learning Classifiers**. In 2022 IEEE International Conference on Data Science and Advanced Analytics (DSAA), 2022. To appear.
4. [Arrotta, L.](#), Bettini, C., Civitarese, G. **Knowledge Infusion for Context-Aware Sensor-Based Human Activity Recognition**. In 2022 IEEE International Conference on Smart Computing (SMARTCOMP), 2022.
5. [Arrotta, L.](#), Bettini, C., Civitarese, G. **The MARBLE Dataset: Multi-Inhabitant Activities of Daily Living Combining Wearable and Environmental Sensors Data**. In Proceedings of the 18th EAI International Conference on Mobile and Ubiquitous Systems: Computing, Networking and Services (MobiQuitous), EAI, 2021.
6. [Arrotta, L.](#), Bettini, C., Civitarese, G., Presotto, R. **Context-Aware Data Association for Multi-Inhabitant Sensor-Based Activity Recognition**. In 2020 21st IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM) (pp. 125-130). IEEE.

## International Workshops

7. [Arrotta, L.](#) **Multi-inhabitant and Explainable Activity Recognition in Smart Homes**. In 2021 22nd IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management (MDM) (pp. 264-266). IEEE.