Emilio Ferrucci

Curriculum Vitæ

Personal Information

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Employment

04/22- Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Oxford, UK

A 3-year posdoctoral position, funded by DataSig https://datasig.web.ox.ac.uk/(EPSRC programme grant EP/So26347/1), on the applications of rough path signatures to machine learning. I am still working on several more theoretical questions in probability theory, differential geometry and algebraic combinatorics.

From October 2022 I took up Research Membership of Common Room at Kellogg College.

10/21-04/22 Research Assistant/Associate, Imperial College London, UK

A 1-year fellowship at Imperial, funded by the EPSRC, during which I am concluding projects started during my PhD and planning further research in related fields.

02/16-05/16 **Software Developer**, *Cynny S.p.a.*, Firenze, Italy

I helped develop an interactive web and cross-platform mobile app which made use of deep learning for facial recognition.

Education

10/17-10/21 PhD in Mathematics, Imperial College London, UK

- O Thesis title: Rough path perspectives on the Itô-Stratonovich dilemma
- O Thesis available online at https://spiral.imperial.ac.uk/handle/10044/1/96036
- O Advisors: Prof. Damiano Brigo, Dr. Thomas Cass, Dr. John Armstrong (King's College London)
- O Viva examiners: Prof. Martin Hairer (internal), Prof. Zhongmin Qian (Oxford, external)
- Outcome: pass, subject to minor revisions
- O First year (2016-17) recognised as *MRes in Financial Computing*, awarded with Distinction; PhD thesis handed in 10/2021, viva voce in 12/2021, PhD awarded in 02/2022

10/13–11/15 **MSc in Mathematics**, *Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn*, Germany

- O Final mark: 1.3 ("sehr gut")
- O ECTS Credits: 120 (2 years)
- Thesis Title: Intrinsic Methods in the Theory of Surgery on Compact, Non-Simply Connected Manifolds
- O Thesis Advisors: Prof. Wolfgang Lück, Dr. Tibor Macko

09/09-03/13 **BSc in Mathematics**, *Università degli Studi di Firenze*, Italy

- O Final mark: 110/110 cum laude
- O ECTS Credits: 180 (3 years)
- O Thesis Title: Introductory Aspects of Morse Theory
- O Thesis Advisor: Prof. Giorgio Ottaviani

Teaching

06/2022- **Tutor**, *University of Oxford*, UK

- O Continuous martingales and Brownian motion: intercollegiate tutorials, Mathematical Institute, Hilary term 2023;
- Probability, Measure and Martingales: intercollegiate tutorials, Mathematical Institute, Michaelmas term 2022;
- O Constructive Mathematics: college tutorials, Wadham College, Trinity 2022;
- Metric Spaces and Complex Analysis: marking of final exam, Mathematical Institute, Trinity term
 2022:

01/18-04/21 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Imperial College London, UK

- O Stochastic Processes: lecture-style problem classes, marking and developing course materials; Autumn 2018, MSc Mathematical Finance
- O Interest Rate Models: lecture-style problem classes, marking and developing course materials; Spring 2018 & Spring 2019, MSc Mathematical Finance
- O Complex Analysis: demonstrating and marking; Spring 2020, BSc Mathematics
- Introduction to University Mathematics: interactive problem classes (virtual and in-person) and marking; Autumn 2020, BSc Mathematics;
- O Lebesgue Measure and Integration: lecture-style problem classes (virtual) and marking; Spring 2021, BSc Mathematics
- O Stochastic Calculus for Finance: lecture-style problem classes (virtual); Spring 2021, MSc Mathematical Finance

Awards and Honours

04/22 Runner-up for Best Maths PhD Thesis at Imperial College London in 2021-22

The position of runner-up is held jointly with one further person; there was a single winner. Around 30-40 people were awarded a PhD in mathematics by Imperial College in the period considered for the award, 03/2021-02/2022.

06/21 Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, Advance HE

In recognition of attainment against the UK Professional Standards Framework for teaching and learning support in higher education, for my work as a graduate teaching assistant.

10/16-08/21 **PhD Studentship**, EPSRC CDT in Financial Computing and Analytics

A scholarship covering tuition and living expenses for four years of doctoral studies, and extended during covid.

10/14-07/15 **Graduate Scholarship**, Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst

A scholarship covering living expenses for the second year of my MSc degree, awarded on the basis of academic merit.

Publications and Preprints

2023 Projections of SDEs onto submanifolds

With John Armstrong and Damiano Brigo

Information Geometry (2023)

https://doi.org/10.1007/s41884-022-00093-7

2022 On the Wiener chaos expansion of the signature of a Gaussian process

With Thomas Cass

Preprint (2022)

https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.08422

2022 A transfer principle for branched rough paths

Preprint (2022)

https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.00582

2022 Non-geometric rough paths on manifolds

With John Armstrong, Damiano Brigo and Thomas Cass

Journal of the London Mathematical Society (2022)

https://doi.org/10.1112/jlms.12585

2022 A combinatorial approach to geometric rough paths and their controlled paths

With Thomas Cass, Bruce Driver and Christian Litterer

Journal of the London Mathematical Society (2022)

https://doi.org/10.1112/jlms.12589

2019 Optimal approximation of SDEs on submanifolds: the Itô-vector and Itô-jet projections

With John Armstrong and Damiano Brigo

Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society (2019)

https://doi.org/10.1112/plms.12226

Invited Talks

02/23 Modern Methods in Applied Stochastics and Nonparametric Statistics Seminar, Weierstrass Institute for Applied Analysis and Stochastics, Berlin Branched Itô formula and Itô-Stratonovich correction

02/23 Machine learning and rough path theory for sequential data analysis, Institute of Mathematics, Hanoi

Foundations of rough path theory

04/22 DataSig Advisory Board Meeting, Alan Turing Institute, London Rough paths on manifolds

04/22 Algebraic and Combinatorial Perspectives in the Mathematical Sciences, Oslo (virtual)

A transfer principle for branched rough paths

02/22 Analysis Seminar, Potsdam (virtual)

The combinatorics and geometry of rough paths

02/22 DataSig Scientific Committee, Oxford (virtual)

A transfer principle for branched rough paths

- 02/21 Stochastic Analysis and Maths Finance Seminar, York (virtual)

 A Stratonovich-Itô formula for the signature of a Gaussian process
- 01/21 Rough Path Interest Group, Oxford (virtual)

 A Stratonovich-Itô formula for the signature of a Gaussian process

Other academic activities

- 08/22 Organiser for workshop *Rough Analysis and Applications to Data Science* to be held at Imperial College
- 09/21 Because of the award below, I was chosen to represent the department at the Faculty of Natural Sciences Research Showcase with a talk of the same title, aimed at an audience with a scientific background
- 08/21 Runner up prize in the Maths PhD Symposium, held within the department of mathematics, for a short talk titled *Rough calculus on smooth manifolds*, aimed at a general mathematical audience
- o6/18 Helped organise the *SAGEST workshop* on stochastic analysis, geometry and statistics, hosted at Imperial College
- 02/17 Contributed material for the *Imperial Fringe* exhibition *The future of futures trading*, aimed at explaining the derivatives market to the general public

London, April 21, 2023