

Research Interests

Narrative Understanding · Information Extraction · Long-context Modeling · LLM post-training · Reasoning · Benchmark & Meta-evaluation · Multilinguality

Experience

- 2023–present **PhD student in Computational Linguistics**, *Sapienza University of Rome*, Rome, Italy
Project: Narrative Understanding & Evaluation · Advisor: Prof. Roberto Navigli
- May–Nov 2026 **Visiting Researcher**, *University of Edinburgh*, Edinburgh, Scotland (UK)
Visiting period working on RL approaches for Narrative QA · Advisor: Mirella Lapata
- 2023–2026 **Teaching Assistant**, *Sapienza University of Rome*, Rome, Italy
Master course: Multilingual Natural Language Processing · Professor: Roberto Navigli
- since 2023 **Review Service**, ACL, EMNLP, CLiC-it

Education

- Jan–Jul 2020 **Erasmus+ Student Exchange Program**, *Örebro Universitet*, Örebro, Sweden
- 2019–2023 **M.Sc. in Engineering in Computer Science**, *Sapienza University of Rome*, Rome, Italy, *110 cum Laude/110*
- 2016–2019 **Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science**, *Sapienza University of Rome*, Rome, Italy, *108/110*
- 2011–2016 **High School Diploma**, *Liceo Scientifico Giuseppe Peano*, Monterotondo, Italy, *100/100*

Publications

- Under review **Adapting LLMs to Understand Vernacular Languages: A Case Study on Italian Varieties**
L. Gioffré*, S. F. Laganà*, E. Marafatto, R. Navigli. .
- Under review **Culture-Wiki: Benchmarking Different Cultures in Knowledge Recalling Tasks**
L. Moroni, L. Gioffré, L. Xu, A. Fernández-Castro, E. Marafatto, M. I. Aur, B. Gatti, J. Wallat, A. Upadhyaya, M. Rathee, S. Gottschalk, W. Nejdl, R. Navigli. .
- CLiC-it 2026 **Dromedario 3: Localizing the Tülu 3 Dataset into Italian**
L. Gioffré*, M. I. Aur*, F. Ortame, L. Moroni, A. Fernández-Castro, E. Marafatto, R. Navigli.
Proceedings of the Twelfth Italian Conference on Computational Linguistics (CLiC-it 2026), Palermo, Italy, 2026.
- EVALITA 2026 **INDAQA2: A Large Italian Narrative QA Benchmark**
L. Gioffré, L. Moroni, A. Fernández-Castro, E. Marafatto, G. Garufi, R. Navigli. *EVALITA 2026: 9th Evaluation Campaign of Natural Language Processing and Speech Tools for Italian*, Bari, Italy, 2026.
- EMNLP 2025 **LiteraryQA: Towards Effective Evaluation of Long-document Narrative QA**
T. Bonomo*, L. Gioffré*, R. Navigli. *Proceedings of the 2025 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*, Suzhou, China, 2025.
- CLiC-it 2025 **What We Learned from Continually Training Minerva: A Case Study on Italian**
L. Moroni, T. Bonomo, L. Gioffré, L. Xu, D. Fedele, L. Colosi, A. S. Bejgu, A. Scirè, R. Navigli.
Proceedings of the Eleventh Italian Conference on Computational Linguistics (CLiC-it 2025), Cagliari, Italy, 2025.
- ACL 2025 **Right Answer, Wrong Score: Uncovering the Inconsistencies of LLM Evaluation in Multiple-Choice Question Answering**
F. M. Molfese*, L. Moroni*, L. Gioffré, A. Scirè, S. Conia, R. Navigli. *Findings of the Association for Computational Linguistics: ACL 2025*, Vienna, Austria, 2025.

* denotes equal contribution.

Skills & Languages

Skills Python, Pytorch, Transformers, Leonardo HPC (SLURM), Git, LaTeX, Linux, Docker

Languages **Italian** (Native), **English** (IELTS Academic 7.5 / C1), **Swedish** (Beginner), **Finnish** (Beginner)