



PhD in Information Technology and Electrical Engineering
Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II

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Cycle: XXXIX

Training and Research Activities Report

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1. Information:

- **PhD student:** Andrea Antonione **PhD Cycle:** XXXIX
- **DR number:** 997756
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- **Master Science degree:** Physics **University:** Università degli Studi di Torino
- **Scholarship type:** no scholarship
- **Tutor:** G. De Tommasi
- **Co-tutor:** G. Carannante
- **Period abroad:** *Iter site*

2. Study and training activities:

Activity	Type ¹	Hours	Credits	Dates	Organizer	Certificate ²
Gyrotron Physics and Thecnologies	Course	20	4	11/2023 – 12/2023	EPFL	N
AI for Plasma Control in Fusion Energy	Seminar	1	0.2	25/06/2024	AI for Good	N
Introduzione alla Teoria del Controllo	Course	48	6	11/04/2024 – 31/05/2024	ITEE Prof. M. Di Bernardo	Y
AI for Fusion Energy Challenge Finale: Multi-Machine Disruption Prediction	Seminar	1	0.2	Registered	AI for Good	N
Towards fusion energy with the help of AI	Seminar	2	0.4	Registered	AI for Good	N
AI for Fusion Energy Challenge	Seminar	1	0.2	Registered	AI for Good	N
Signal Processing with Simulink	Course	24	4	16-17-18 /10/2024	MathWorks Trainer J. Pinel	Y
Controlli Automatici	Course	36	6	Registered	ITEE Prof. L. Villani	N

1) Courses, Seminar, Doctoral School, Research, Tutorship

2) Choose: Y or N

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2.1. Study and training activities - credits earned

	Courses	Seminars	Research	Tutorship	Total
Bimonth 1	4		6		10
Bimonth 2			10		10
Bimonth 3			10		10
Bimonth 4		0.2	10		10.2
Bimonth 5	6	0.8	3		9.8
Bimonth 6	10				10
Total	20	1	39	0	60
Expected	30 – 70	10 - 30	80 – 140	0 – 4.8	

3. Research activity:

Topics:

- Development of a thermal lumped model for the magnetron injection gun of ITER European gyrotrons
- Model-based controller synthesis studies for gyrotron operational phases
- Data-driven mode loss detection to complement safeties

Methodologies:

- Data-driven optimization of the model
- Validation of the model against a dedicated dataset
- Mode loss classification via machine learning methods

Results:

- High accuracy in model optimization, suitable to synthesize controllers and to be implemented in the controller itself

4. Research products:

Article

A. Antonione, G. Carannante, M. G. Ferrari, K. Cindric, F. A. Sanchez, A. Leggieri, G. De Tommasi
Development and Benchmarking of a Thermal Lumped Model for the Magnetron Injection Gun of the MW-Power ITER European Gyrotron
submitted to Nuclear Fusion

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5. Conferences and seminars attended

6. Periods abroad and/or in international research institutions

7. Tutorship

8. Plan for year two

- Further development of the thermal lumped model
- Controller synthesis and tests at FALCON test facility, Swiss Plasma Centre
- Mode loss detection algorithm development
- PhD school *Control and Operation of Tokamaks* (EPFL)