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1 CAREER SUMMARY

Filippo Masi is currently post-doctoral researcher at GeM Laboratory, Ecole Centrale de Nantes (ECN). He studied at the School of Mechanical Engineering of the University of Florence (Italy) and did his thesis jointly at Ecole des Ponts ParisTech and ECN, in collaboration with the University of Versailles and St-Quentin and the enterprise Ingerop. His research concerns the development of data-driven and machine learning approaches for the constitutive modeling of materials, the structural and fast-dynamic behavior of masonry structures, and recently, geomechanics.

SCIENTIFIC INTEREST AND RESEARCH AXES

Thermodynamics-based machine learning approaches for material constitutive modeling – Structural Mechanics – Computational mechanics – Masonry – Granular materials – Fast Dynamics – Blast loads – Rocking systems.

2 EMPLOYMENT

15/12/2020 – present **Post-doctoral researcher** under the ERC-StG CoQuake (Controlling Earthquakes) project, Ecole Centrale de Nantes, GeM Laboratory, France.
02/11/2020 – 31/12/2020 **Research Engineer** at Ecole Centrale de Nantes – Centrale Innovation, France.
18/09/2017 – 31/10/2020 **Engineer**, Ingérop Conseil et Ingénierie, France.
24/06/2016 – 24/10/2016 **Research Engineer**, Ecole des Ponts ParisTech, France.

3 ACADEMIC DEGREES

01/10/2017 – 14/12/2020 **PhD**, Mechanics – Ecole Centrale de Nantes, Ecole des Ponts ParisTech, in collaboration with University of Versailles and St-Quentin and Ingerop, France. “Fast-dynamic response and failure of masonry structures subjected to blast loads”. Supervisors: Prof I Stefanou, Prof P Vannucci.
01/01/2016 – 17/07/2017 **Master**, Mechanical Engineering, University of Florence, Italy (solemn commendation of the committee – outstanding).
01/10/2013 – 03/12/2015 **Bachelor**, Mechanical Engineering, University of Florence, Italy.

4 HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2022 Early career researcher **award** by EUROMECH (European Mechanics Society), on the occasion of the 18th European Mechanics of Materials Conference.
- 2021 **Award** for the best PhD thesis bringing technological and conceptual breakthroughs in the industry by Centrale Innovation (Ecoles Centrales Group).
- 2021 **Award** for the best PhD by CSMA (Computational Structural Mechanics Association).
- 2021 Finalist in the selection for the Robert J Melosh Medal, by Duke University, Elsevier, and the International Association for Computational Mechanics.
- 2021 Finalist in the selection for the I Vardoulakis prize, by ALERT (The Alliance of Laboratories in Europe for Education, Research and Technology) geomaterials.
- 2021 Finalist in the selection for the ECCOMAS PhD award.
- 2017 **Award** for the best Master thesis by the Order of Engineers of Florence, Italy.

5 SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION

Author of **nine articles** in major multi-disciplinary scientific journals and leading peer-reviewed international journals and one submitted article. More than **10 communications** in prestigious international conferences.

- Citations: 159 (google scholar), h-index: 7, i10-index: 6.

PRE-PRINTS

- **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks (TANN) for multiscale modeling of materials with inelastic microstructure, *arXiv*. arxiv.org/abs/2108.13137.

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- A1 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, V Maffi-Berthier (2021). Scaling Laws for Rigid-Body Response of Masonry Structures under Blast Loads. *Journal of Engineering Mechanics* (Invited Special Issue), 147(10), 04021078. doi: [10.1061/\(ASCE\)EM.1943-7889.0001986](https://doi.org/10.1061/(ASCE)EM.1943-7889.0001986). Featured in the Editor's Choice section [↗](#).
- A2 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks for constitutive modeling. *Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids*, 147, 104277. doi: [10.1016/j.jmps.2020.104277](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmps.2020.104277).
- A3 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, V Maffi-Berthier, P Vannucci (2020). A Discrete Element Method based-approach for arched masonry structures under blast loads. *Engineering Structures*, 216, 110721. doi: [10.1016/j.engstruct.2020.110721](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engstruct.2020.110721).
- A4 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2020). Resistance of museum artefacts against blast loading. *Journal of Cultural Heritage*, 44, 163-173. doi: [10.1016/j.culher.2020.01.015](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.culher.2020.01.015).
- A5 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Rocking response of inverted pendulum structures under blast loading. *International Journal of Mechanical Sciences*, 157, 833-848. doi: [10.1016/j.ijmecsci.2019.05.024](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijmecsci.2019.05.024).
- A6 P Vannucci, **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2019). A nonlinear approach to the wind strength of Gothic Cathedrals: the case of Notre Dame of Paris. *Engineering Structures*, 183, 860-873. doi: [10.1016/j.engstruct.2019.01.030](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engstruct.2019.01.030).
- A7 **F Masi**, PM Mariano, P Vannucci (2018). Blast actions in aircrafts: An integrated methodology for designing protection devices. *Engineering Structures*, 175, 895-911. doi: [10.1016/j.engstruct.2018.08.082](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engstruct.2018.08.082).
- A8 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci (2018). On the origin of the cracks in the dome of the Pantheon in Rome. *Engineering Failure Analysis*, 92, 587-596. doi: [10.1016/j.engfailanal.2018.06.013](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engfailanal.2018.06.013).
- A9 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci (2018). A study on the effects of an explosion in the Pantheon of Rome. *Engineering structures*, 164, 259-273. doi: [10.1016/j.engstruct.2018.02.082](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.engstruct.2018.02.082).

BOOK CHAPTERS

- b1 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2021) Material Modeling via Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks. In: Barbaresco F., Nielsen F. (eds) *Geometric Structures of Statistical Physics, Information Geometry, and Learning*. Springer Proceedings in Mathematics & Statistics, vol 361. Springer, Cham. doi: [10.1007/978-3-030-77957-3_16](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-77957-3_16).

REFEREED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- c1 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Rocking response and overturning of museum artefacts due to explosions (**invited speaker**), *Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Computational Methods in Structural Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering*. Crete, Greece, 24-26 June. doi: [10.7712/120119.7119.19577](https://doi.org/10.7712/120119.7119.19577)
- c2 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Response of monumental buildings to internal explosions, *Proceedings of the 7th International Conference on Computational Methods in Structural Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering*. Crete, Greece, 24-26 June. doi: [10.7712/120119.6958.19630](https://doi.org/10.7712/120119.6958.19630)

CONFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS

- c1 **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2022). Multiscale modeling of inelastic microstructured materials with TANN, *18th European Mechanics of Materials Conference (EMMC18)*. Oxford, UK, April 4-6.
- c2 **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Neural Networks: a general framework for modeling microstructured materials displaying path-dependency, *ALERT Geomaterials*. Aussois, France, 27-29 September.
- c3 F Rabie, **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks for Nonlinear Seismic Analysis of High-rise Buildings, *ALERT Geomaterials*. Aussois, France, 27-29 September.
- c4 **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks (TANN) and constitutive modeling, *Mechanistic Machine Learning and Digital Twins for Computational Science, Engineering & Technology*. San Diego, CA, USA, 26-29 September. [Lecture](#)
- c5 **F Masi** (2021). Mechanics and Deep Learning for protecting cultural heritage against explosions (**invited speaker**), *6th ECCOMAS Young Investigators Conference*. Valencia, Spain, 7-9 July.
- c6 **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks for the constitutive modeling of inelastic materials, *14th World Congress on Computational Mechanics*. Paris, France, 11-15 January.
- c7 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2021). Micro-modelling of masonry structures under blast loads via a Discrete Element Method approach, *14th World Congress on Computational Mechanics*. Paris, France, 11-15 January. [Lecture](#)
- c8 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2020). Material modeling via Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks (invited speaker), *École de Physique des Houches, Joint Structures and Common Foundations of Statistical Physics, Information Geometry and Inference for Learning*. Les Houches, 26-31 July.
- c9 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Michelangelos David or Aphrodite of Milos: who is more resistant to blast loads? *12th HSTAM International Congress on Mechanics*. Thessaloniki, Greece, 22-25 September.
- c10 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). A Discrete Element Method approach for the preservation of the architectural heritage against explosions, *12th HSTAM International Congress on Mechanics*. Thessaloniki, Greece, 22-25 September.
- c11 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Masonry vaults under explosive loads, *7th International Conference on Computational Methods in Structural Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering*. Crete, Greece, 24-26 June.
- c12 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2018). Simulations of blast effects in monumental structures, *13th World Congress on Computational Mechanics*. NY, USA, 22-27 July.
- c13 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci, V Maffi-Berthier (2018). Étude de la réponse structurale de structures à géométrie complexe aux explosions: le cas du Panthéon de Rome, *2^e Édition des Jounées*

Nationales Maçonnerie. Marne-la-Vallée, France, 22-23 March.

- c14 **F Masi**, I Stefanou, P Vannucci (2018). Une approche non-linéaire pour l'étude de la résistance au vent d'une cathédrale gothique: Notre Dame de Paris, 2^e Édition des Journées Nationales Maçonnerie. Marne-la-Vallée, France, 22-23 March.

TECHNICAL REPORTS

- t1 P Vannucci, **F Masi**, I Stefanou, V Maffi-Berthier (2019). Structural integrity of Notre Dame Cathedral after the fire of April 15th, 2019. Technical report. CNRS, Paris, France. [hal-02105786v2](https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-02105786v2)
- t2 P Vannucci, **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2017). A study on the simulation of blast actions on a monument structure. Technical report. CNRS, Paris, France. [hal-01447783v3](https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/hal-01447783v3)
- t3 P Vannucci, I Stefanou, **F Masi** (2017). Report of the project "Cathédrales Durables". Classified: *Confidentiel Défense*. CNRS, Paris, France.

LECTURES

- l1 Invited lecture, "How Machine Learning can help in earthquake control and fault mechanics?", [Crunch Machine Learning + X Seminars](#), Brown University, Division of Applied Mathematics, 12 November 2021. [Lecture](#)
- l2 Invited lecture, "Can we tame earthquakes?" [Data-centric engineering](#), University of Sydney, 27 October 2021. [Slides](#) – [Lecture](#)
- l3 Plenary Lecture, "Comportement des structures maçonnées à l'explosion" (Behavior of masonry structures to explosions), Ingérop, 29 October, 2020. [Lecture \(in French\)](#)

DATA, SOFTWARE, ALGORITHMS

- d1 **F Masi**, I Stefanou (2021). Thermodynamics-based Artificial Neural Networks [🔗](#).
doi: [10.5281/zenodo.4482668](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4482668)
- d2 Metadata available at blastructures.eu and [YouTube channel](#) BLAST.

6 SUPERVISING AND TEACHING

SUPERVISION AND MENTORING

- ▷ A Morsel (01/2021-present). *Experimental testing of masonry structures subjected to extreme loads*, PhD Thesis, Ecole Centrale de Nantes.
- ▷ Supervisor of three Master's theses.

COURSES TAUGHT

- ▷ Imaging in Civil Engineering, Course coordinator – Master's degree, ECN (2020-present)
- ▷ Advanced computational mechanics – Master's degree, École des Ponts ParisTech (2018- 2019)
- ▷ Computational mechanics – Bachelor's degree, École des Ponts ParisTech (2018-2019)

7 SERVICE

▷ INVITED REVIEWER

– Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering; International Journal of Mechanical Sciences ; European Journal of Mechanics, A/Solids; International Journal for Numerical and Analytical Methods in Geomechanics; Journal of Cultural Heritage; Defence Technology; Heritage Science; CivilEng; Materials; Applied Sciences; Vibration

- ▷ AMBASSADOR OF THE FRENCH DECLICS ASSOCIATION BY CERCLEFSER: '*Dialogues Entre Chercheurs et Lycéens pour les Intéresser à la Construction des Savoirs*' (Dialogues between researchers and high school students to interest them in the construction of knowledge).