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## Experience

- 2023.06-  
current **Assistant Professor**, *University of Catania*
  - RESTART project
- 2023.02-03 **Academic Tutor**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Pervasive Wireless System
- 2022.07-08 **Research Scholarship**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - 5G antennas design in PCB technology
  - Algorithms for file metadata extraction
- 2020.07-  
2022.01 **Technologist**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - 5G antennas design in PCB technology
  - Blockchain
  - RF fingerprinting technique for counting mobile devices in a limited area, *Project title: Moni5G*
- 2020.05-07 **Academic Tutor**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Electromagnetic Fields
- 2019.11-  
2020.06 **Research Scholarship**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Characterization and integration of radar prototypes for the detection of drones: SDR transceiver managing for signal capturing and signal processing.
- 2019.10-11 **Academic Tutor**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Pervasive Electromagnetics
- 2019.08-10 **Research Scholarship**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Automatic design and optimization of antennas, IOT antennas design, 5G antennas design: stacked patch antenna
- 2019.03-07 **Research Scholarship**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Automatic design and optimization of antennas, 5G antennas design: stacked patch antennas
- 2019.03-06 **Academic Tutor**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Electromagnetic Compatibility
  - Electromagnetic Fields
- 2018.09-  
2019.02 **Consultant at CNIT**, *Consorzio Nazionale Interuniversitario per le Telecomunicazioni*
  - 5G antennas design
- 2017.12-  
2018.08 **Research Scholarship**, *University of Cagliari, Italy*
  - Analysis and design of electromagnetic field sensors
  - Co-linear transitions for Q-band horns
  - Smart Distribution Network antennas
  - 5G Antennas
- 2016.01-  
2017.06 **Postdoctoral Research Assistant**, *Queen Mary, University of London, UK, Antennas & Electromagnetics Research Group*,  
*Transformation Optics and its applications to lens antennas (Luneburg Lens, Rotman Lens) , Project title: Isotropics*
- 2015.04-10 **Visiting Student**, *Queen Mary, University of London, UK, Antennas & Electromagnetics Research Group*,  
*EBG-based metaferrites: design and optimization*
- 2012.04-10 **Apprenticeship**, *Vitrociset S.p.A. – Sardinia Plants - poligono interforze del salto di Quirra - Villaputzu (CA), Italy* ,  
*Radar Systems, Radar Signal and Data Processing on a research project about the development of an RF receiver.*

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## Courses

- 2013-2015 **PhD**, *University of Cagliari, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (DIEE)*  
Mathematical Methods applied to optimization of devices for microwave engineering:  
○ Particle Swarm Optimization  
○ Finite Difference Frequency Domain Methods  
Thesis: Optimization of microwave devices

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## Education

- 2007.10-2011.12 **Master's degree - Electronic Engineering (110/110)**, *University of Cagliari, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (DIEE)*  
Electromagnetism and microwave engineering, Telecommunication Systems, Digital Systems, Analog Microelectronics, Organic electronic devices, Optoelectronics and Photonics, Numerical Calculation , Automatic.  
Thesis: Analysis of radiating slot waveguide with dielectric cover.
- 2003.10-2007.12 **Bachelor's degree - Electronic Engineering (102/110)**, *University of Cagliari, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (DIEE)*  
Mathematics, Physics, Solid State Physics, Electrical Circuits, Electronic Devices, Analog and Digital Electronics, Electronic computers and processors, Electromagnetic fields, Signal Theory, Systems Theory, Reliability and diagnostics of electronic devices.

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## Computer Skills

MATLAB  
ANSYS Electronics Desktop  
CST Microwave Studio  
GNU Radio  
NI AWR Design Environment

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## Marco Simone - Publications

- M. Simone, S. C. Pavone, M. B. Lodi, N. Curreli, G. Muntoni, A. Fanti, G. Sorbello and G. Mazzarella, *Design of a Low-Profile Dual Linearly Polarized Antenna Array for mm-Wave 5G*, in IEEE Access, vol. 11, pp. 40645-40656, 2023
- G. Muntoni, G. Montisci, A. Melis, M. B. Lodi, N. Curreli, M. Simone, G. Tedeschi, A. Fanti, T. Pisanu, I. Kriegel, A. Athanassiou, and G. Mazzarella, *A Curved 3D-Printed S-Band Patch Antenna for Plastic CubeSat*, in IEEE Open Journal of Antennas and Propagation, vol. 3, pp. 1351-1363, 2022
- M. Simone, M. B. Lodi, G. Muntoni, N. Curreli, A. Fanti, T. Pisanu, G. Valente, G. Montisci, and G. Mazzarella, *Two Co-Linear Transitions for Q-Band Horn Waveguide Dense Cluster*, 2022 16th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation, Madrid, Spain; 27th March - 01 April 2022 (EuCAP 2022); pp. 1-4
- M. Simone, M. B. Lodi, N. Curreli, S. C. Pavone, C. Macció, E. Marongiu, L. Mariani, G. Muntoni, G. Mazzarella, and A. Fanti, *A Deep Space Ka-band Antenna for CubeSat: Design and Multiphysics Analysis*, 2022 16th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation, Madrid, Spain; 27th March - 01 April 2022 (EuCAP 2022); pp. 1-5
- G. Muntoni, A. Fedeli, M. B. Lodi, M. Simone, A. Randazzo, G. Mazzarella, and A. Fanti, *Designing a Microwave Moisture Content Sensor for Carasau Bread: A Feasibility Study*, 2022 16th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation, Madrid, Spain; 27th March - 01 April 2022 (EuCAP 2022); pp. 1-5
- C. Macció, M. B. Lodi, N. Curreli, L. Mariani, A. Melis, M. Simone, G. Muntoni, G. Mazzarella, M. Bozzi, and A. Fanti, *Preliminary Design of a Double Ridge Waveguide Device for Monitoring the Complex Permittivity of Carasau Bread Doughs*, 2022 16th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation, Madrid, Spain; 27th March - 01 April 2022 (EuCAP 2022); pp. 1-5
- M. Simone, M. B. Lodi, N. Curreli, S. C. Pavone, G. Mazzarella, and A. Fanti, *Optimized Design and Multiphysics Analysis of a Ka-Band Stacked Antenna for CubeSat Applications*, in IEEE Journal on Multiscale and Multiphysics Computational Techniques, vol. 6, pp. 143-157, 2021
- L. Cocco, K. Mannaro, R. Tonelli, L. Mariani, M. B. Lodi, A. Melis, M. Simone, and A. Fanti, *A Blockchain-Based Traceability System in Agri-Food SME: Case Study of a Traditional Bakery*, in IEEE Access, vol. 9, pp. 62899-62915, 2021
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, and G. Mazzarella, *5G Wideband Stacked Patch Antennas*, 2021 15th European Conference on Antennas and Propagation (EuCAP), 22-26 March 2021, Virtual Conference, pp. 1-5
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, M. B. Lodi, T. Pisanu, and G. Mazzarella, *An in-line coaxial-to-waveguide transition for Q-band single-feed-per-beam antenna systems*, Applied Sciences, 11(6), 2524, 2021.
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, and G. Mazzarella, *A Wideband Patch Antenna for 5G*, 2020 IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and North American Radio Science Meeting, Montréal, Québec, Canada, 5-10 July 2020 (IEEE AP-S/URSI 2020), pp. 61-62
- M. Baire, A. Melis, M. B. Lodi, P. Tuveri, C. Dachena, M. Simone, A. Fanti, G. Fumera, T. Pisanu and G. Mazzarella, *A wireless sensors network for monitoring the Carasau bread manufacturing process*, Electronics, 8(12), 1541, 2019
- M. Simone, *An automatic design of 5G antennas through PSO and CST*, 23th International Conference on Applied Electromagnetics and Communications 2019 (ICECOM 2019) in Dubrovnik, Croatia, Sept 30 - Oct 2, 2019
- G. Muntoni, L. Schirru, G. Montisci, T. Pisanu, G. Valente, P. Ortu, R. Concu, A. Melis, E. Urru, A. Saba, F. Gaudiomonte, and M. Simone, *The New Space Debris Dedicated Receiving Chain of the Sardinia Radio Telescope*, 23th International Conference on Applied Electromagnetics and Communications 2019 (ICECOM 2019) in Dubrovnik, Croatia, Sept 30 - Oct 2, 2019

- M. Simone, A. Fanti, L. Boccia, G. Amendola, and G. Mazzarella, *A Dual Polarized Stacked Antenna for 5G Mobile Devices*, Photonics & Electromagnetics Research Symposium (PIERS 2019), Rome, Italy, June 17–20, 2019
- E. Ghiani, A. Serpi, V. Pilloni, G. Sias, M. Simone, G. Marcialis, G. Armano and A. Pegoraro, *A Multidisciplinary Approach for the Development of Smart Distribution Networks*, Energies Vol. 11, No. 10, 2018
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, G. Valente, G. Montisci, R. Ghiani, and G. Mazzarella, *A Compact In-Line Waveguide-to-Microstrip Transition in the Q-Band for Radio Astronomy Applications*, Electronics Vol. 7, No. 2, 2018
- A. Fanti, M. Simone, and L. Deias, *Analysis and Optimization of Elliptic Ridged Waveguide with FDFD Technique and PSO Algorithm*, ACES Journal, Vol. 31, No.8, August 2016
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, G. Montisci, Giovanni G. A. Casula, and G. Mazzarella, *Combined PSO-FDFD Optimization of Rectangular Ridged Waveguides*, ACES Journal, Vol. 31, No. 2, February 2016
- A. Fanti, S. Casu, F. Desogus, G. Montisci, M. Simone, G. A. Casula, P. Maxia, G. Mazzarella, and R. Carta, *Evaluation of a microwave resonant cavity as a reactor for enzyme reactions*, Journal of Electromagnetic Waves and Applications, Volume 29, Issue 17, November 2015, pages 2380-2392
- N. Curreli, C. Puddu, G. Muntoni, M. Simone, and A. Fanti, *Evaluation of a Buckypaper's Electromagnetic Shielding Efficiency in X Band*, Progress In Electromagnetics Research Symposium, Prague, Czech Republic, July 6–9, 2015 (PIERS 2015)
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, and G. Mazzarella, *Ridge waveguide optimization with PSO algorithm*, Journal of Electromagnetic Waves and Applications, Volume 29, Issue 2, 22 January 2015, Pages 199-209
- M. Simone, and N. Curreli, *Design of a Multiband WLAN Antenna*, 2014 Loughborough Antennas and Propagation Conference, Loughborough, Leicestershire, UK, 10-11 November 2014 (LAPC 2014), Pages 746-750
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, G. Mazzarella, and G. Montisci, *Band Optimization of Ridge Waveguides Using PSO*, Proceedings of IEEE, The 30th Annual Review of Progress in Applied Computational Electromagnetics, ACES 2014, March 23 – 27, 2014, Jacksonville, Florida
- M. Simone, A. Fanti, and G. Mazzarella, *Optimization of rectangular ridge waveguides using PSO*, 2013 Loughborough Antennas and Propagation Conference, Loughborough, Leicestershire, UK, 11-12 November 2013 (LAPC 2013), Pages 400-403
- A. Fanti, M. Simone, and G. Mazzarella, *High Order FDFD computation of all waveguide modes using a single grid*, 2013 Loughborough Antennas and Propagation Conference, Loughborough, Leicestershire, UK, 11-12 November 2013 (LAPC 2013), Pages 74-77
- A. Fanti, M. Simone, and G. Mazzarella, *High order FD computation of TE and TM modes in single grid*, Progress in Electromagnetics Research Symposium, Stockholm; Sweden; 12-15 August 2013 (PIERS 2013); Pages 1224-1227