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EDUCATION

PhD Degree

2019–2025 EPFL

School of computer & communication sciences, Advisor: Prof. Ruediger Urbanke
Focus area: Theory of noisy quantum communication and computation and error correction.

Master's degree

2016–2019 ETH Zurich

Masters of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology.

Bachelor's degree

2011–2016 The German University in Cairo

Communication Engineering B.Sc. · GPA 0.7 (equivalent to A+) · First rank.

High School Diploma

2009–2011 El Rowad College - Cairo

Nationwide fifth ranked student in Egyptian high school examinations.

THESES & RESEARCH PROJECTS

Internship & collaboration

Summer 2024, 2022-2025 Quantum Error Correction team, IBM Research Yorktown

Two-way classical communication-assisted entanglement distillation. Developed entanglement distillation protocols achieving state-of-the-art rates over the amplitude damping and depolarizing channels, by introducing a channel reshaping perspective and constant weight encodings. In collaboration with V. Siddhu, T. Jochym-O'Connor, J. Smolin.

Master's Thesis

Winter 2018 Quantum Information Theory Group, ETH Zurich

Bounds for Quantum Protocols using Partially Smoothed Entropies · Grade: 5.75/6
· Advisor: Dr. Joseph M. Renes

Closed a gap in literature in quantum compression second order asymptotics through connection to quantum state merging.

Semester thesis

Winter 2017 IBM Research Zurich

Object and Movement Recognition in a Spiking Neural Network with Unsupervised Mixed Spike-rate- and timing-based Learning · Grade: 5.75/6

Semester thesis

Spring 2017 Signal and Information Processing Laboratory, ETH Zurich

Finite-blocklength Analysis of the Poisson Channel · Grade: 5.75/6

Bachelor's thesis

Spring 2015 Technical University of Munich

Information Theory of Multimode Optical Fiber · Grade: A+

LANGUAGES

Programming

Python · Used for simulating quantum circuits using the package qutip, as well as for semidefinite programming (PICOS).

MATLAB · Used in implementing projects in various areas: channel coding, image compression, adaptive antennas, and semidefinite programming (YALMIP).

Java · Undergrad. courses (A+), Competed in ACM-ECPC Egyptian collegiate programming contest (2012, 2013).

	CST · Used for simulation of microwave structures such as antennas, filters, waveguides.
	CUDA · Fundamentals of accelerated computing with CUDA C/C++ workshop.
<i>Natural</i>	ENGLISH · Fluent (TOEFL: 118/120) , GERMAN · Basic (Goethe B1 Zertifikat) FRENCH · Basic (A2)

ACADEMIC VISITS

<i>Simons Institute</i>	<i>Jan-April 2024</i> Participated in the programs on error correction and quantum fault tolerance.
<i>ENS Lyon</i>	<i>May 2022</i> Collaborated with Daniel Stilck Franca on research studying limitations imposed by dephasing noise on the performance of QAOA.
<i>IBM</i>	<i>July 2022</i> IBM's summer school program on Quantum Error Correction in NY.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<i>EPFL</i>	<i>2023</i> Teaching Assistant for the course Principles of Digital Communication
<i>EPFL</i>	<i>0.5em 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023</i> Teaching Assistant for the courses (Quantum computation, Quantum information processing) Assisted in teaching courses introducing quantum information concepts and QISKit to undergraduate students.
<i>ETH Zurich</i>	<i>Spring 2018</i> Information Theory Teaching Assistant

AWARDS & CONTESTS

<i>NCCR QSIT</i>	<i>2018</i> INSPIRE Potentials - QSIT Master Internship Award.
<i>IEEE APS design contest</i>	<i>2015</i> Competed in semifinals in the IEEE Antenna Propagation Society Design Contest. With my team, we implemented a power efficient wearable body area network system using inkjet-printed fractal antenna.
<i>German Univ. in Cairo</i>	<i>2015</i> Award for top-ranked students to conduct Bachelor thesis research abroad.

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] D. Abdelhadi et al. "Adaptive Channel Reshaping for Improved Entanglement Distillation". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2410.22295* (2024, Presented at BIID 2025, TQC 2025.).
- [2] D. Abdelhadi et al. "Reed-Muller Codes for Quantum Pauli and Multiple Access Channels". In: *Proceedings IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory*, 2025.
- [3] Keita Hidaka, Dina Abdelhadi, and Ruediger Urbanke. "Interpolation of Quantum Polar Codes and Quantum Reed-Muller Codes". In: *arXiv preprint arXiv:2505.22142* (2025).
- [4] Vikesh Siddhu et al. "Entanglement Sharing Across a Damping-Dephasing Channel". In: *2024 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory*. July 2024. DOI: [10.1109/ISIT57864.2024.10619242](https://doi.org/10.1109/ISIT57864.2024.10619242).

- [5] D. Abdelhadi. "SDP for Contraction of Coherence under Dephasing". 2023. Poster presented at TQC, Aveiro, Portugal.
- [6] D. Abdelhadi. "Limitations of QAOA quantum advantage under dephasing noise". 2022. Poster presented at QIP, Pasadena, USA.
- [7] D. Abdelhadi and Joseph M. Renes. "Second-order asymptotics of quantum data compression from partially-smoothed conditional entropy". In: *IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT)*. 2020, pp. 1846–1851.
- [8] D. Abdelhadi and Hany F. Hammad. "Novel CPW-fed fractal Sierpinski Arrowhead inkjet-printed antenna design". In: *33rd National Radio Science Conference (NRSC)*. IEEE. 2016, pp. 109–113.