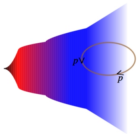


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From the electroweak scale to the Planck scale
and beyond

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A summary of the curriculum vitae

Education

- ▶ Master in physics at Rome University “La Sapienza”
- ▶ Doctor philosophiae in elementary particle theory at SISSA (Trieste)

Previous work experience

- ▶ Postdoc at EPFL (Lausanne), IFAE (Barcelona), Scuola Normale di Pisa
- ▶ research and teaching associate at IFT and Universidad Autónoma (Madrid)
- ▶ Fellow at CERN

Now

University researcher (RTDb) at Rome University & INFN “Tor Vergata”
... and (until June 2019) visiting scientist at CERN.

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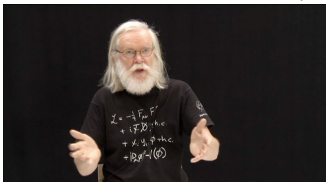
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Other previous experience

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CURRENT RESEARCH LINES

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