

# **Alessandro Costa**

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Skills
MATLAB
Simulink
C++
Python
JavaScript
Solidworks
Femap — — —
LaTeX
Git/GitHub/GitLab
Microsoft Windows
Linux
Languages
Italian
English

### **Education**

### PhD in Aerospace Engineering

Dec 2024 - Ongoing

Politecnico di Milano

### **MSc in Space Engineering**

Sep 2021 - Apr 2024

Politecnico di Milano

110/110

#### **BSc in Aerospace Engineering**

Sep 2017 - Sep 2021

Politecnico di Milano

87/110

### **High School Diploma**

2017

Istituto Superiore G. Maironi da Ponte

87/100

### **MSc Thesis**

# Eclipse-Free Quasi-Halo Orbits Design with Applications to the LUMIO Mission

Oct 2023 - Apr 2024

Politecnico di Milano

Design of an innovative and robust optimization method to refine Quasi-Halo orbits into Eclipse-Free trajectories adopting an high-fidelity dynamical model. The results are paired with an exhaustive station-keeping analysis of the obtained orbits, which is implemented together with a massive Monte Carlo analysis. The thesis aims to demonstrate that the Eclipse-Free Quasi-Halo trajectories retain the main features of the initial guesses of the optimization process while minimizing station-keeping costs, eliminating the need for additional eclipse avoidance manoeuvres. The study is applied to the LUMIO mission, a space mission currently under development by the DART Research Group of Politecnico di Milano in collaboration with ESA.

### Research Fellowship

# Development of algorithms and systems for attitude control in hardware-in-the-loop simulations for the project EXTREMA

Jun 2024 - Dec 2024

Politecnico di Milano

Development of software and hardware components for the attitude simulation platform STASIS, part of the HIL facility of the DART Research Group: the EXTREMA Simulation Hub. The research focused on attitude control and estimation of the platform using Reaction Wheels and IMU, along with the refinement of the Monitoring and Control Application (MoniCA) for data analysis and validation.

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### **MSc Projects Experience**

### ADCS simulation and analysis of a large satellite 2021 Politecnico di Milano Preliminary design of a sub-optimal interplanetary transfer with 2021 flyby Politecnico di Milano Preliminary analysis of a perturbed Earth orbit evolution and 2021 ground-track estimation Politecnico di Milano **Reverse engineering of NASA-ESA Ulysses Mission** 2021 Politecnico di Milano Preliminary design of a small scale liquid rocket engine 2021 Politecnico di Milano Optimization of an impulsive and a continuous guidance prob-2022 Politecnico di Milano Solution of a navigation problem through batch filter and se-2022 quential filters Politecnico di Milano

### A-SMAD course project: ARCHIMEDE

Politecnico di Milano

Preliminary analysis and design of a Space-based Solar Power Generator in Moon's environment exploiting innovative Laser technology. Team leader experience and ADCS responsible. Final presentation held in front of esteemed organizations including ESA and ASI, and renowned companies such as Leonardo, Airbus, OHB, SITAEL, EUMETSAT, and many others

2022

2023

Preliminary structural analysis with finite elements of VEGA launcher coupled with a spacecraft

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