

# Alberto Marchesi

## *Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum*

### Personal Information

Date of Birth September 22, 1992  
Place of Birth Piacenza, Italy  
Citizenship Italian

### Work Information

University Politecnico di Milano  
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### Research Experience

2020

**PostDoc Research Assistant**, *Politecnico di Milano, Dipartimento di Elettronica Informazione e Bioingegneria (DEIB), Milano.*

### Education

2016  
2020

**PhD in Computer Science and Engineering**, *Politecnico di Milano, Milano, Thesis: Leadership Games: Multiple Followers, Multiple Leaders, and Perfection Advisor: Prof. Nicola Gatti. Mark: with laude*

2014  
2016

**MSc in Computer Science and Engineering**, *Politecnico di Milano, Milano, Thesis: Methods for finding Leader-Follower equilibria with multiple followers Advisor: Prof. Nicola Gatti. Mark: 110 cum laude/110*

2011  
2014

**BSc in Computer Science and Engineering**, *Politecnico di Milano, Milano. Mark: 110 cum laude/110*

2011

**Diploma di Perito Industriale in Informatica**, *Istituto Tecnico Industriale Statale G. Marconi, Piacenza (PC). Mark: 100 cum laude/100*

### Teaching Activities

2018

**Economics and Computation a.y. 2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2019-2020**, *Teaching assistant, Exercise sessions using innovative teaching methodologies.*

2018

**Informatica A a.y. 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021**, *Teaching assistant*, Exercise sessions.

2019

**Game Theory a.y. 2019-2020**, *Teaching assistant*, Exercise sessions.

## Research Interests

My current research focuses on *Artificial Intelligent*, especially *Algorithmic Game Theory* and *Machine Learning*.

Algorithmic Game Theory My main research interests are: analysis of the computational complexity of equilibrium finding problems; development of exact and approximate algorithms for computing equilibria in large games; application of algorithmic techniques to real-world economic problems, such as pricing and information structure design.

Machine Learning I am interested in multi-agent learning, which studies how rational agents can learn their strategies while competing among each other, and online learning, in particular multi-armed bandits techniques applied to economic problems.

## PhD Research Project

Title *Leadership Games: Multiple Followers, Multiple Leaders, and Perfection*

Advisors Prof. Nicola Gatti

Description In recent years, leader-follower (a.k.a. Stackelberg) games have received a growing interest from the Artificial Intelligence community. These games model strategic interactions involving two groups of agents, the leaders and the followers, where the former commit to playing some strategies, while the latter decide how to play after observing the commitment. This model perfectly fits many real-world scenarios, such as the security domain. We extend the state of the art on Stackelberg games by addressing models involving multiple leaders and followers, and introducing, for the first time, the idea of perfection (a.k.a. equilibrium refinement) in such settings.

## Publications

### Working Papers

Castiglioni M., Celli A., Marchesi A., Gatti N.

*Signaling in Bayesian Network Congestion Games: the Subtle Power of Symmetry*  
Working paper, arXiv preprint arXiv:2002.05190

### Papers on Proceedings of International Conferences

[C13] Celli A., Marchesi A., Farina G., Gatti N.

*No-Regret Learning Dynamics for Extensive-Form Correlated Equilibrium*

The 34th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, NeurIPS 2020, Virtual conference [**Oral** presentation, top **1.11%** of submissions]

[C12] Castiglioni M., Celli A., Marchesi A., Gatti N.

*Online Bayesian Persuasion*

The 34th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, NeurIPS 2020, Virtual conference [**Spotlight** presentation, top **2.96%** of submissions]

- [C11] Marchesi A., Trovò F., Gatti N.  
*Learning Probably Approximately Correct Maximin Strategies in Simulation-Based Games with Infinite Strategy Spaces*  
The 19th International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems, AAMAS 2020, Virtual conference
- [C10] Celli A., Marchesi A., Bianchi T., Gatti N.  
*Learning to Correlate in Multi-Player General-Sum Sequential Games*  
The 33rd Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, NeurIPS 2019, Vancouver, Canada
- [C9] Castiglioni M., Marchesi A., Gatti N.  
*Be a Leader or Become a Follower: The Strategy to Commit to with Multiple Leaders*  
The 28th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2019, Macao, China
- [C8] Marchesi A., Castiglioni M., Gatti N.  
*Leadership in Congestion Games: Multiple User Classes and Non-Singleton Actions*  
The 28th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2019, Macao, China
- [C7] Marchesi A., Farina G., Kroer C., Gatti N., Sandholm T.  
*Quasi-Perfect Stackelberg Equilibrium*  
The 33rd AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, AAAI 2019, Honolulu, USA
- [C6] Marchesi A., Coniglio S., Gatti N.  
*Leadership in Singleton Congestion Games*  
The 27th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2018: 447-453, Stockholm, Sweden
- [C5] Farina G., Marchesi A., Kroer C., Gatti N., Sandholm T.  
*Trembling-Hand Perfection in Extensive-Form Games with Commitment*  
The 27th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2018: 233-239, Stockholm, Sweden
- [C4] De Nittis G., Marchesi A., Gatti N.  
*Computing the Strategy to Commit to in Polymatrix Games*  
The 32nd AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, AAAI 2018: 989-996, New Orleans, USA
- [C3] Coniglio S., Gatti N., Marchesi A.  
*Pessimistic Leader-Follower Equilibria with Multiple Followers*  
The 26th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2017: 171-177, Melbourne, Australia
- [C2] Celli A., Marchesi A., Gatti N.  
*On the Complexity of Nash Equilibrium Reoptimization*  
The 33rd Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence, UAI 2017: 292-301, Sydney, Australia

- [C1] Basilico N., Coniglio S., Gatti N., Marchesi A.  
*Bilevel programming approaches to the computation of optimistic and pessimistic single-leader-multi-follower equilibria*  
The 16th International Symposium on Experimental Algorithms, SEA 2017: 31:1-31:14 London, UK, June 21-23, 2017

#### International Journals

- [J4] Gatti N., Gilli M., Marchesi A.  
*A Characterization of Quasi-Perfect Equilibria*  
Games and Economic Behavior, 2020
- [J3] Coniglio S., Gatti N., Marchesi A.  
*Computing a Pessimistic Stackelberg Equilibrium with Multiple Followers: the Mixed-Pure Case*  
Algorithmica, 2020
- [J2] Castiglioni M., Marchesi A., Gatti N., Coniglio S.  
*Leadership in Singleton Congestion Games: What is Hard and What is Easy*  
Artificial Intelligence Journal (AIJ), 2019
- [J1] Basilico N., Coniglio S., Gatti N., Marchesi A.  
*Bilevel programming methods for computing single-leader-multi-follower equilibria in normal-form and polymatrix games*  
EURO Journal on Computational Optimization, 2019

#### Papers in International Workshops

- Castiglioni M., Marchesi A., Gatti N.  
*Computing Correlated Strategies to Commit to with Multiple Leaders*  
Games, Agents and Incentives Workshops at AAMAS 2020, Virtual workshop
- Marchesi A., Trovò F., Gatti N.  
*Learning Maximin Strategies with Best Arm Identification Techniques*  
Games, Agents and Incentives Workshops at AAMAS 2020, Virtual workshop
- Celli A., Marchesi A., Bianchi T., Gatti N.  
*Learning to Correlate in Multi-Player General-Sum Sequential Games*  
Smooth Games Optimization and Machine Learning Workshop (NeurIPS 2019), Vancouver, Canada.
- Marchesi A., Trovò F., Gatti N.  
*Learning Maximin Strategies in Simulation-Based Games with Infinite Strategy Spaces*  
Smooth Games Optimization and Machine Learning Workshop (NeurIPS 2019), Vancouver, Canada.
- Farina G., Marchesi A., Kroer C., Gatti N., Sandholm T.  
*Trembling-Hand Perfection in Stackelberg Sequential Games*  
Games, Agents and Incentives Workshops at AAMAS 2019, Stockholm, Sweden
- Marchesi A., Farina G., Kroer C., Gatti N., Sandholm T.  
*Computing a Quasi-Perfect Stackelberg Equilibrium*  
Games, Agents and Incentives Workshops at AAMAS 2019, Stockholm, Sweden

Marchesi A., Coniglio S., Gatti N.

*Singleton Congestion Games with Leadership*

Games, Agents and Incentives Workshops at AAMAS 2019, Stockholm, Sweden

Marchesi A., Farina G., Kroer C., Gatti N., Sandholm T.

*Quasi-Perfect Stackelberg Equilibrium*

AAAI-19 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games, Honolulu, USA

Celli A., Marchesi A.

*Nash Equilibrium Reoptimization is Hard*

The 3rd IJCAI Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop, Melbourne, Australia

### National Journals

Celli A., Marchesi A.

*Learning Dynamics in Limited-Control Repeated Games*

Intelligenza Artificiale, 2018

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## Awards

### National Doctoral Scholarship

Three-years doctoral scholarship sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research.

### Borsa di Studio FCA e CNH Industrial 2017

Scholarships for the best graduated students (Laurea Magistrale) who are sons/daughters of employees of FCA and CNH Industrial.

### Borsa di Studio FCA e CNH Industrial 2015

Scholarships for the best graduated students (Laurea Triennale) who are sons/daughters of employees of FCA and CNH Industrial.

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## Talks and Seminars

### Talks given at International Conferences

Aug. 2019 **Be a Leader or Become a Follower: The Strategy to Commit to with Multiple Leaders**

The 28th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2019, Macao, China

Feb. 2018 **Computing the Strategy to Commit to in Polymatrix Games**

The 32nd AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, AAAI 2018, New Orleans, USA

Aug. 2017 **Pessimistic Leader-Follower Equilibria with Multiple Followers**

The 26th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, IJCAI 2017, Melbourne, Australia

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Markets, Algorithms, Prediction, and LEarning 2019, MAPLE 2019, Milan, Italy

Aug. 2017 **Nash Equilibrium Reoptimization is Hard**

The 3rd IJCAI Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop, Melbourne, Australia

## Seminars

- Mar. 2017 **Leadership Games**  
Permanent Itinerant Game Theory Seminars (P.I.G.S.), Politecnico di Milano, Italy
- Jan. 2018 **When Are Equilibria of Simple Auctions Near-Optimal?**  
Permanent Itinerant Game Theory Seminars (P.I.G.S.), Politecnico di Milano, Italy

## Editorial Activities

### International Conferences

- IJCAI 2017 International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee Subreviewer.
- AAMAS 2017 International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems, Program Committee Subreviewer.
- AAAI 2018 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee.
- IJCAI 2018 International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee Subreviewer.
- AAAI 2019 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee.
- AAAI 2020 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee.
- IJCAI 2020 International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee.
- NeurIPS 2020 Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems, Program Committee.
- AAAI 2021 AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Program Committee.

## Qualifications

Sep 2013

**TOEIC**, Mark 980/990, Milano.  
Certificate of English language

## Languages

Italian	Native	<i>Mother Tongue</i>
English	Fluent	<i>Daily practice, all work performed in English</i>

## Working Experience

2011

**Web Application Programmer**, H&S - *Qualità nel software*, Piacenza (PC), Italy.  
Development of a web application in ASP.NET and C#, management of databases in SQL Server 2008 Professional.

## Skills

### General

- Social Good ability to adapt to multicultural environments, Good communication skills.
- Organisational Team spirit.
- Technical MS Office tools.

## Programming

Languages	C, Java, Python (numpy, scipy), R, MATLAB, AMPL, SQL, HTML, C#, Scheme, Haskell, Prolog
Integrated Development Environments	Pycharm, Eclipse, NetBeans, MATLAB, R
Typesetting	Microsoft Office, Apple iWork, LaTeX
Operating Systems	Microsoft Windows, Apple MacOS, GNU/Linux

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## Personal Interests

Sport Tennis

*relativo alla protezione delle persone fisiche per quanto riguarda il trattamento dei dati personali).*  
*Autorizzo la pubblicazione del Curriculum Vitae sul sito istituzionale del Politecnico di Milano (sez.*  
*Amministrazione Trasparente) in ottemperanza al D. Lgs n. 33 del 14 marzo 2013 (e s.m.i.).*