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Research Interests	Game Theory and Mechanism Design
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Job Market Paper	Negotiated Binding Agreements I study the binding agreements that may result from players negotiating over their behaviour in an underlying strategic environment. To do so, I propose a negotiation protocol where, in each round of negotiation, agents make public proposals of the action they will take in the underlying game. The protocol terminates when these proposals are confirmed. Confirmation results in a binding agreement over the action profile and payoffs are the corresponding ones in the underlying game. I study the outcomes of the underlying game that may be supported by a Negotiated Binding Agreement, a refinement of Subgame Perfect Equilibrium, of the negotiation game. The main results show that any outcome of the underlying game that is agreed upon must satisfy an <i>iterative</i> individual rationality constraint. Additionally, an outcome of the underlying game can be agreed upon if appropriate individual punishments in the underlying game can be found. A full characterisation is provided for two-player games. Finally, I extend the model to accommodate the possibility that agents make binding agreements over the behaviour in the very negotiation process and provide necessary sufficient conditions on the outcomes in the underlying game that may result. These conditions are shown to be linked to the cooperative game theoretic notion of the β -core (Aumann, 1961).
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Other Working Papers	<p>Safe Implementation (with A. Penta, submitted)</p> <p>We introduce <i>Safe Implementation</i>, a notion of implementation that adds to the standard requirements the restriction that deviations from the baseline solution concept induce outcomes that are <i>acceptable</i>. The primitives of Safe Implementation therefore include both a Social Choice Correspondence, as standard, and an Acceptability Correspondence, each mapping every state of the world to a subset of allocations. This framework generalizes standard notions of implementation, and can accommodate a variety of considerations, including robustness concerns with respect to mistakes in play, model misspecification, behavioral considerations, state-dependent feasibility restrictions, limited commitment, etc. We provide results both for general solution concepts and for the case in which agents' interaction is modelled by Nash Equilibrium. In the latter case, we identify necessary and sufficient conditions (namely, <i>Comonotonicity</i> and <i>safety-no veto</i>) that restrict the joint behavior of the Social Choice and Acceptability Correspondences. These conditions are more stringent than Maskin's (1978), but coincide with them when the safety requirements are vacuous. We also show that these conditions are quite permissive in important economic applications, such as environments with single-crossing preferences and in problems of efficient allocation of indivisible goods, but also that Safe Implementation can be very demanding in environments with 'rich' preferences, regardless of the underlying solution concept.</p>																				
	<p>Weak Coalitional Equilibrium: Existence and Overlapping Coalitions (submitted)</p> <p>I consider Ray and Vohra (1997)'s Coalitional Equilibrium and show the methodological advantage of taking the notion of "an improvement for a group" to mean that there is a joint action of the group that induces a strict improvement in utility for all its members. This is opposed to assuming no agent in the group is worse off while one is strictly better off. I show that, when this interpretation is taken, the sufficient conditions for existence of Ray and Vohra (1997)'s Coalitional Equilibrium can be weakened. I do so by showing that the existence of Coalitional Equilibrium is implied by the existence of a Nash Equilibrium of an auxiliary game. Further to this, I show that the proof of existence can be extended to a generalisation of the concept, where groups may overlap but do not necessarily include the grand coalition.</p>																				
Work in Progress	<p>Grand Coalition Rationalizability and Undominated Correlated Equilibria (with P. Ennuschat)</p> <p>Efficient Tariffs under Strategic Side Payments (with M. Ptashkina)</p>																				
Seminars, Conferences, and Summer Schools	<p>Presentations</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society[△]</td> <td>Berlin School of Economics, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Asian School in Economic Theory</td> <td>NUS \ The Econometric Society, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>33rd Stony Brook International Conference on Game Theory</td> <td>Stony Brook University, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2022 Conference on Mechanism and Institution Design*</td> <td>NUS, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>International Conference Game Theory and Applications*</td> <td>St. Petersburg State University, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>The 12th Conference on Economic Design</td> <td>University of Padova, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Internal Microeconomics Seminar</td> <td>UPF, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Student Seminar</td> <td>UPF, 2021, 2022</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BSE Ph.D. Jamboree</td> <td>BSE, 2020*, 2021*,[†], 2022</td> </tr> </table> <p>Attendance</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>31st Jerusalem Advanced School in Economic Theory*</td> <td>HUJI, 2021</td> </tr> </table> <p>([△]scheduled, *online, [†]discussant)</p>	European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society [△]	Berlin School of Economics, 2022	Asian School in Economic Theory	NUS \ The Econometric Society, 2022	33 rd Stony Brook International Conference on Game Theory	Stony Brook University, 2022	2022 Conference on Mechanism and Institution Design*	NUS, 2022	International Conference Game Theory and Applications*	St. Petersburg State University, 2022	The 12 th Conference on Economic Design	University of Padova, 2022	Internal Microeconomics Seminar	UPF, 2022	Student Seminar	UPF, 2021, 2022	BSE Ph.D. Jamboree	BSE, 2020*, 2021*, [†] , 2022	31 st Jerusalem Advanced School in Economic Theory*	HUJI, 2021
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Research Experience	Research Assistant for Professor Antonio Penta Univeristat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain	2020 - Present
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