

# Catarina Belém

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

### FEEDZAI | RESEARCH DATA SCIENTIST IN ETHICAL AI GROUP

Jul 2019 – current | Feedzai, Lisbon, Portugal

- Co-authored of NeurIPS 2020 HAMLETS Workshop paper on self-explainable Neural Networks;
- Development of fairness-aware hyperparameter optimization framework (led to publication)
- Development of A/B testing framework for robust evaluation of explainability methods (led to publication)
- Large dataset handling (approximately 700 GB)

### INESC-ID | JUNIOR RESEARCHER

Oct 2017 – Jul 2019 | Lisbon, Portugal

Research on efficient ways of optimizing architectural design problems, typically characterized by time-consuming evaluation functions. Investigative work on derivative-free and multi-objective optimization within architectural designs.

- Research Grant | Feb 2019 - Jul 2019
- Research Grant | Jul 2018 - Dec 2018
- Junior Intern | Oct 2017 - Jul 2018

### INSTITUTO SUPERIOR TÉCNICO | TEACHING ASSISTANT

Feb 2018 - Jul 2019 | Lisbon, Portugal

Teaching the practical classes of the Advanced Programming Course of the Information Systems and Computer Engineering MSc

- Helped creating and evaluating project assignments in Java, Julia, and LISP;
- Helped creating and evaluating exams.

### LINK CONSULTING | JUNIOR ANALYST & PROGRAMMER

Jul 2016 – Jul 2017 | Lisbon, Portugal

- Worked for the *Fidelidade* Insurance Company
- Developed C++ applications and developed the supporting backend in MS SQL Server.

## EDUCATION

### INSTITUTO SUPERIOR TÉCNICO | MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Instituto Superior Técnico, Universidade de Lisboa | Lisbon, Portugal | Sep. 2016 -- Jun. 2019

- **GPA:** 19 / 20,
- **Major:** Intelligent Systems,
- **Thesis:** Optimization of Time-Consuming Objective Functions | **Grade:** 20 / 20
- **Publications:** 7 conference publications (1x rank A; 6x rank B)
- **Extra curricular:** Student at a French Course (2018/2019), Summer Monitor teaching students (between 11- and 17 years old) to program in Python, Active member of NEIIST; Member of a Philharmonic band.

### INSTITUTO SUPERIOR TÉCNICO | BACHELOR INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Instituto Superior Técnico, Universidade de Lisboa | Lisbon, Portugal | Sep. 2013 -- Jul. 2016

- **GPA:** 18 / 20
- **Extra curricular:** Student's Mentor (2014/2015, 2015/2016); Active member of NEIIST and SET student's association; Member of two Philharmonic bands.

## AWARDS

**MLP 2019 | YOUNG ALUMNI - MARIA DE LOURDES PINTASILGO 2019 AWARD**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal

**TEACHING EXCELLENCY AWARDS (2ND SEMESTER 2018/19)**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal

**ACADEMIC MERIT 2016/17**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal

**ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16)**  
Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisbon, Portugal

## VOLUNTEER

**TREETREE2 | STUDENT SUPERVISOR**  
September 2019 | Lisbon, Portugal

- Prepare and guide a 15 year old student through the accomplish of a project in Computer Science
- Attend training sessions regarding communication skills, task and time management prioritization

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

### **HOW CAN I CHOOSE AN EXPLAINER? AN APPLICATION-GROUNDED EVALUATION OF POST-HOC EXPLANATIONS**

ACM FACCT 2021 (ACCEPTED)

Jesus, S., **Belém, C.**, Balayan, V., Saleiro, P., Bizarro, P. & Gama, J. (March 2021).

### **TEACHING THE MACHINE TO EXPLAIN ITSELF USING DOMAIN KNOWLEDGE**

NEURIPS 2020 HAMLETS WORKSHOP, DECEMBER 2020

Balayan, V., Saleiro, P., **Belém, C.**, Bizarro, P. & Krippahl, L. (December 2020)

### **A BANDIT-BASED ALGORITHM FOR FAIRNESS-AWARE HYPERPARAMETER OPTIMIZATION**

SEPTEMBER 2020

Cruz, A. F., Saleiro, P., **Belém, C.**, Soares, C. & Bizarro, P. (September 2020).

### **ON THE IMPACT OF MACHINE LEARNING: ARCHITECTURE WITHOUT ARCHITECTS?**

18TH CAAD FUTURES, SOUTH KOREA, JUNE 2019

**Belém, C.**, Santos, L. S., & Leitão, A. (June 2019).

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

### **CMMRS 2019**

| PARTICIPANT AT CORNELL, MARYLAND, MAX  
PLANCK PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCH SCHOOL 2019  
Max Planck Institute for Software Systems in  
Saarbrücken, Germany | Aug. 2019

Attended to several talks in a variety of cutting-edge  
topics in computing, including secure and dependable  
systems, machine learning, data visualization, and  
programming language design.

### **SPOKEN & WRITTEN**

Native fluency:

Portuguese

Reading, Writing fluency:

English

Reading, Writing Elementar:

French

### **HOBBIES**

Running | Cooking | Arduino Electronics