# Andrea Celli

#### Research interests

Topics at the intersection of Computer Science, Economics, Optimization & Machine Learning. In particular, I am interested in equilibrium computation problems, online learning, decision making under uncertainty, multi-agent learning, mechanism design, and market design problems.

# **Employment**

**Assistant Professor** Milan September 2021 - Present Bocconi University, Computing Sciences Department Postdoctoral researcher London Facebook Core Data Science June 2020 - June 2021 Postdoctoral researcher Milan Politecnico di Milano November 2019 - May 2020 Other Affiliations Research Affiliate Bocconi Institute for Data Science and Analytics September 2021 - Present

Member

European Laboratory for Learning and Intelligent Systems (ELLIS) October 2021 – Present

#### **Education**

Politecnico di Milano Milan PhD in Computer Science 2016 - February 2020 Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh Visiting Scholar Jan 2018 - May 2018 Politecnico di Milano Milan MSc in Computer Science and Engineering, Grade: 110 cum laude/110 2014 - 2016 Politecnico di Milano Milan BSc in Computer Science and Engineering, Grade: 110 cum laude/110 2011 - 2014

#### **Publications**

#### Conference Papers.....

- [C1] M. Bernasconi, M. Castiglioni, **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, F. Trovò, N. Gatti, "Optimal rates and efficient algorithms for online bayesian persuasion," in *ICML*, 2023.
- [C2] V. Avadhanula, A. Celli, R. Colini-Baldeschi, S. Leonardi, M. Russo, "Fully dynamic online selection through online contention resolution schemes," in *AAAI*, 2023.
- [C3] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, G. Romano, N. Gatti, "A unifying framework for online optimization with long-term constraints," in *NeurIPS*, 2022.
- [C4] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, C. Kroer, "Online learning with knapsacks: The best of both worlds," in *ICML*, 2022.

- [C5] B. Zhang, G. Farina, **A. Celli**, T. Sandholm, "Optimal correlated equilibria in general-sum extensive-form games: Fixed-parameter algorithms, hardness, and two-sided column-generation," in *EC*. 2022.
- [C6] I. Anagnostides, G. Farina, C. Kroer, **A. Celli**, T. Sandholm, "Faster no-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated and coarse correlated equilibria," in *EC*, 2022.
- [C7] G. Birmpas, A. Celli, R. Colini-Baldeschi, S. Leonardi, "Fair equilibria in sponsored search auctions: The advertisers' perspective," in *IJCAI*, 2022.
- [C8] **A. Celli**, R. Colini-Baldeschi, C. Kroer, E. Sodomka, "The parity ray regularizer for pacing in auction markets," in *TheWebConf*, 2022.
- [C9] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Connecting optimal ex-ante collusion in teams to extensive-form correlation: Faster algorithms and positive complexity results," in *ICML*, 2021.
- [C10] M. Castiglioni, A. Marchesi, A. Celli, N. Gatti, "Multi-receiver online bayesian persuasion," in ICML, 2021.
- [C11] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "Signaling in bayesian network congestion games: The subtle power of symmetry," in AAAI, 2021.
- [C12] F. Cacciamani, A. Celli, M. Ciccone, N. Gatti, "Multi-agent coordination in adversarial environments through signal mediated strategies," in *AAMAS*, 2021.
- [C13] **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, G. Farina, N. Gatti, "No-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated equilibrium," in *NeurIPS (Oral presentation and best paper award)*, also appeared at Highlights Beyond EC '21 and IJCAI SCBP '21, 2020.
- [C14] M. Castiglioni, **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "Online bayesian persuasion," in *NeurIPS* (Spotlight presentation), 2020.
- [C15] A. Celli, S. Coniglio, N. Gatti, "Private bayesian persuasion with sequential games," in AAAI, 2020.
- [C16] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, N. Gatti, "Persuading voters: It's easy to whisper, it's hard to speak loud," in AAAI, 2020.
- [C17] **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, T. Bianchi, N. Gatti, "Learning to correlate in multi-player general-sum sequential games," in *NeurIPS*, 2019.
- [C18] **A. Celli**, S. Coniglio, N. Gatti, "Computing optimal ex ante correlated equilibria in two-player sequential games," in *AAMAS*, 2019.
- [C19] **A. Celli**, G. Romano, N. Gatti, "Personality-based representations of imperfect-recall games," in *AAMAS (Extended Abstract)*, 2019.
- [C20] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Ex ante coordination and collusion in zero-sum multi-player extensive-form games," in *NeurIPS*, 2018.
- [C21] **A. Celli** and N. Gatti, "Computational results for extensive-form adversarial team games," in *AAAI*, 2018.
- [C22] **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "On the complexity of nash equilibrium reoptimization," in *UAI*, 2017.
- [C23] N. Basilico, A. Celli, G. De Nittis, N. Gatti, "Team-maxmin equilibrium: Efficiency bounds and algorithms," in *AAAI*, 2017.
- [C24] N. Basilico, **A. Celli**, G. D. Nittis, N. Gatti, "Coordinating multiple defensive resources in patrolling games with alarm systems," in *AAMAS*, 2017.

# Journal Papers.....

- [J1] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, N. Gatti, "Public bayesian persuasion: Being almost optimal and almost persuasive," *Algorithmica*, 2023.
- [J2] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "Regret minimization in online bayesian persuasion: Handling adversarial receiver's types under full and partial feedback models," Artificial Intelligence Journal (AIJ), 2023.
- [J3] G. Farina, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "Simple uncoupled no-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated equilibrium," *Journal of the ACM*, 2022.

- [J4] **A. Celli** and A. Marchesi, "Learning dynamics in limited-control repeated games," *Intelligenza Artificiale*, 2018.
- [J5] N. Basilico, A. Celli, G. D. Nittis, N. Gatti, "Computing the team–maxmin equilibrium in single–team single–adversary team games," *Intelligenza Artificiale*, 2017.

#### Workshop Papers

- [W1] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, G. Romano, N. Gatti, "A unifying framework for online optimization with long-term constraints," in *NeurIPS ML Safety workshop*, 2022.
- [W2] B. Zhang, G. Farina, **A. Celli**, T. Sandholm, "Optimal correlated equilibria in general-sum extensive-form games: Fixed-parameter algorithms, hardness, and two-sided column-generation," in *ICLR*, Workshop on Gamification and Multiagent Solutions, 2022.
- [W3] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Connecting optimal ex-ante collusion in teams to extensive-form correlation: Faster algorithms and positive complexity results," in AAAI, Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games, 2022.
- [W4] **A. Celli**, R. Colini-Baldeschi, C. Kroer, E. Sodomka, "The parity ray regularizer for pacing in auction markets," in *Sixth Marketplace Innovation Workshop (MIW)*, 2021.
- [W5] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Faster algorithms for optimal ex-ante coordinated collusive strategies in extensive-form zero-sum games," in *AAAI*, *Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2021.
- [W6] M. Castiglioni, A. Celli, A. Marchesi, N. Gatti, "Online bayesian persuasion," in AAAI, Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games, 2021.
- [W7] **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, G. Farina, N. Gatti, "No-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated equilibrium," in *AAAI*, *Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2021.
- [W8] —, "No-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated equilibrium," in *NeurIPS*, *Cooperative AI Workshop*, 2020.
- [W9] F. Cacciamani, A. Celli, M. Ciccone, N. Gatti, "Multi-agent coordination through signal mediated strategies," in *NeurIPS*, *Cooperative AI Workshop*, 2020.
- [W10] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Faster algorithms for optimal ex-ante coordinated collusive strategies in extensive-form zero-sum games," in *NeurIPS*, *Cooperative AI Workshop*, 2020.
- [W11] **A. Celli**, A. Marchesi, T. Bianchi, N. Gatti, "Learning to correlate in multi-player general-sum sequential games," in *NeurIPS*, *Smooth Games Optimization and Machine Learning Workshop*, 2019.
- [W12] G. Farina, A. Celli, N. Gatti, T. Sandholm, "Ex ante coordination in team games," in AAAI, Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games, 2019.
- [W13] **A. Celli** and A. Marchesi, "Nash equilibrium reoptimization is hard," in *IJCAI*, *Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop*, 2017.
- [W14] N. Basilico, A. Celli, G. D. Nittis, N. Gatti, "Coordinating multiple defensive resources in patrolling games with alarm systems," in AAMAS, Workshop on Adversarial Reasoning in Multi-Agent Systems, 2017.

# **Teaching**

- o Machine Learning, Bocconi University (B.Sc. class), Professor Spring 2023
- o Optimization, Bocconi University (Ph.D. in Statistics and Computer Dcience), Professor Fall 2021, Fall 2022
- o Algorithms, Bocconi University (M.Sc. class), Professor Spring 2022
- o Computer Programming and Database Systems, Bocconi University (M.Sc. class), Professor Fall 2021, Fall 2022

o Game Theory, Politecnico di Milano (M.Sc.), TA	2019-2020
o Informatica A, Politecnico di Milano (B.Sc.), TA	'18–'19, '19–'20
o Economics and Computation, Politecnico di Milano (M.Sc.), TA	'17–'18, '18–'19
Other courses	
o Race Strategies Computation, Ferrari S.p.A.	2019
Honors and Awards	
o NeurIPS 2020 Best Paper Award	2020
o Lesmo Award for the best Italian MSc Thesis in Artificial Intelligence	2017
o National Doctoral Scholarship	2016–2019
Sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research	
Invited Talks and Seminars	
o Workshop "Learning in games", Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Singap	ore 2023
o London School of Economics Seminar Series on Combinatorics, Games and G	
o ELLIS Milan Artificial Intelligence workshop	2022
o INFORMS session on Operations Research at Facebook	2021
o Algorithmic Bayesian Persuasion	2021
At the explAln workshop (Virtual)	
o No-Regret Learning Dynamics for Extensive-Form Correlated Equilibrium At Facebook London ML Seminars (Virtual)	2021
o No-Regret Learning Dynamics for Extensive-Form Correlated Equilibrium At Facebook Economics, Algorithms and Optimization Seminars (Virtual)	2021
o No-Regret Learning Dynamics for Extensive-Form Correlated Equilibrium At Coveo ML Seminars (Virtual)	2021
o Bayesian Persuasion in Voting Scenarios	2019
At MAPLE'19 (Markets, Algorithms, Prediction and Learning) in Milan	
o Adversarial Team Games	2017
At the International Conference of the Italian Association for Artificial Intelli	•
o Bayesian Persuasion At Politecnico di Milano, Permanent Itinerant Game Theory Seminars (P.I.G	2017
o Adversarial Team Games	2017
At University of Milan-Bicocca, Permanent Itinerant Game Theory Seminars	
Service	
o <b>PC</b> : AAAI ('18-'23), ECAI ('20), IJCAI ('20-'23), NeurIPS ('20-'23), WINE '23).	('21), ICML ('22,
o <b>Reviewing</b> : AAMAS ('17), IJCAI ('17-'19), TheWebConf ('20), ICML ('21), EC ('21-'22), SODA ('23), Journal of Economic Theory ('22), Management Science ('22)	

# External Funding

- o **2023-2025**: MIUR PRIN Project "Targeted Learning Dynamics: Computing Efficient and Fair Equilibria through No-Regret Algorithms". PI. €195,200
- o **2022-2023**: "Multi-agent learning and equilibrium (EquiLearn)" funded by Civica Research. With Galit Ashkenazi-Golan, Katerina Papadaki, Bernhard von Stengel (PI), and Mark Voorneveld.

# **Organization of International Events**

o **2023**: Co-organizer of the "Algorithms, Learning, and Games" (ALGA) workshop, June 5-9 2023, Scicli (Italy).

# **Programming and Frameworks**

- o Programming languages: Python, Java, C, R
- o Optimization frameworks: AMPL, CPLEX, Gurobi, Xpress

# Languages

- o Italian: mother tongue
- o English: proficient user
  - o IELTS Academic, Overall band score 8 (level C2)

2013