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Curriculum Vitæ

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Professional experience

- from 2023.02 **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *Lehigh University, Dept. of Industrial and Systems Engineering*,
to Present Bethlehem, PA, USA,
Advisor: Prof. Ted Ralphs
Development of methods for solving general Mixed-Integer Bilevel Linear Programs.
- from 2022.02 **Visiting Ph.D. Student**, *Alpen-Adria-Universität, Institut für Mathematik*, Klagenfurt, Austria,
to 2022.08 Advisor: Prof. Angelika Wiegle
Development of Alternating Directions Method of Multipliers for large-scale Semidefinite Programs.

Education

- from 2019.11 **Ph.D in Operations Research**, *Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza"*, Rome, Italy,
to 2023.01 **Thesis:** On Semidefinite Lift-and-Project of Combinatorial Optimization Problems
Supervisors: Prof. Marianna De Santis, Prof. Fabrizio Rossi, Prof. Stefano Smriglio
- from 2017.10 **Master's degree in Computer Science**, *Università degli Studi dell'Aquila*, L'Aquila, Italy,
to 2019.07 **Thesis:** Application of the Lovász-Schrijver M+ operator to compact stable set integer programs
Supervisors: Prof. Fabrizio Rossi, Prof. Stefano Smriglio
Final mark: 110/110 magna cum laude
- from 2014.09 **Bachelor's degree in Computer Science**, *Università degli Studi dell'Aquila*, L'Aquila, Italy,
to 2017.10 **Thesis:** Natural Language Processing and Machine Learning for Conversational Agents
Supervisor: Prof. Giovanni De Gasperis
Final mark: 110/110 magna cum laude

Refereed publications

- 2024 F. Battista, M. De Santis, **Dealing with Inequality Constraints in Large-Scale Semidefinite Relaxations for Graph Coloring and Maximum Clique Problems**, *4OR. A Quarterly Journal of Operations Research*, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10288-024-00569-5>
- 2023 F. Battista, **On Semidefinite Lift-and-Project of Combinatorial Optimization Problems**, *Ph.D. Thesis, Università di Roma Sapienza*, <https://hdl.handle.net/11573/1668673>

Working papers and publications in review

- 2025 S. Fallah, F. Battista, T. Ralphs, **A Branch-and-Bound Algorithm for Constructing the Efficient Frontier of a Mixed-Integer Linear Optimization Problem**, *Working paper, COR@L Laboratory, Lehigh University*
- F. Battista, T. Ralphs, **Improving Directions in Mixed Integer Bilevel Linear Optimization**, *arXiv preprint arXiv:2511.03566*, <https://arxiv.org/abs/2511.03566>
- 2024 F. Battista, F. Rossi, S. Smriglio, **Application of the Lovász-Schrijver Operator to Compact Stable Set Integer Programs**, *arXiv preprint arXiv:2407.19290*, <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2407.19290>

Conference presentations and talks

- 2025 F. Battista, T. Ralphs, S. Fallah **The Restricted Value Function of MILPs and Its Construction with SYMPHONY**, *18th INFORMS Computing Society (ICS) Conference, Toronto, Canada*
- 2024 F. Battista, T. Ralphs, **A Branch-and-Cut Algorithm for Mixed-Integer Bilevel Linear Optimization Based on Improving Directions**, *International Symposium on Mathematical Programming, Montreal, Canada*
- 2023 F. Battista, T. Ralphs, **Exploiting Dual Functions in Mixed Integer Bilevel Linear Programs**, *INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ*
- 2022 F. Battista, M. De Santis, F. Rossi, S. Smriglio, **On Semidefinite Lift-and-Project Relaxations for Combinatorial Optimization Problems**, *University of Pavia, Pavia, Italy*
 F. Battista, F. Rossi, S. Smriglio, **Application of the Lovász-Schrijver Operator to Representative Formulation for Graph Coloring Problem**, *International Symposium on Combinatorial Optimization, Paris, France*
- 2021 F. Battista, M. De Santis, **Dealing with Inequalities in Large Scale Semidefinite Programs**, *International Conference on Optimization and Decision Science, Rome, Italy*

Software

- Maintainer **SDP_lift_and_project**, *Python, Matlab*
https://github.com/febattista/SDP_lift_and_project
- Maintainer **ADAL-ineq**, *Python, Matlab*
<https://github.com/febattista/ADAL-ineq>
- Contributor **MibS: Mixed Integer Bilevel Solver**, *C++*
<https://github.com/coin-or/MibS>
- Contributor **SYMPHONY**, *C*
<https://github.com/coin-or/SYMPHONY>