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Research interests Combinatorial optimization, extended formulations of polytopes, graphs and matroids

Employment

From 2020: Post-doctoral researcher
University of Padua, Italy

2019-2020: Post-doctoral researcher
Mathematics Department, ULB, Belgium

From 2014: PhD Student ("assistant doctorant")
EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland

Education

2018: Ph.D. in Discrete Optimization
EPFL, Switzerland
Advisor: Prof. Friedrich Eisenbrand
Co-advisor: Prof. Yuri Faenza

2014: M. Sc. in Mathematics and Foundation of Computer Science
University of Oxford, United Kingdom
Advisor: Prof. Colin McDiarmid

2013: B. Sc. in Mathematics, *summa cum laude*
University of Catania, Italy
Advisor: Prof. Giuseppe Nicosia
Co-advisor: Prof. Vittorio Romano

Awards and scholarship

2020: Winner of Lorenzo Brunetta award (2500€) from Venetian Institute
of Sciences, Humanities and Arts for a PhD thesis in Operation Research

2010-13: Winner of the INdAM (National Institute of High Mathematics)
scholarship to entirely support my Bachelors studies (12.000 €)

	Math Olympics:	
	2010:	Bronze Medal at National Contest, Cesenatico, Italy.
	2005-09:	Selected for the Regional Contest, Sicily, Italy.
	2004:	Selected for the National Contest, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy.
	Physics Olympics:	
	2007-09:	Selected for the Regional Contest, Sicily, Italy.

Teaching

	Teaching assistant at ULB:
Autumn 2019:	"Géométrie convexe et discrète" (Master's level course, in French)
	Teaching assistant at EPFL:
Spring 2015-2018:	Discrete Optimization
Fall 2017:	Combinatorial Geometry (Master's level course)
Fall 2016:	Combinatorial optimization (Master's level course)
Fall 2015:	Algèbre linéaire (in French)
	Activities on teaching:
June 2017:	SOTL workshop, Zurich (invited speaker)
Fall 2016:	Science and Engineering Teaching and Learning (semester course)
May 2015:	Instructional Skills Workshop (3 days)
October 2014:	Teaching toolkit for Doctoral Assistants (1 day)

Student supervision

Cslovjecsek Jana:	Master project *"Extension complexity of polytopes"* EPFL, Fall 2018
Gilbert Maystre:	Master project *"Non-repetitive coloring of line graphs"* EPFL, Spring 2017
Loris Di Natale:	Bachelor project *"On the mininum rainbow subgraph problem"* EPFL, Fall 2016 (jointly with A. Cevallos)
Maurice Amendt:	Bachelor project *"Non-repetitive graph coloring"* EPFL, Fall 2015

Professional service

Reviewer for journals and internetional conferences, such as: European Journal of Combinatorics, Discrete Mathematics & Theoretical Computer Science, Discrete Applied Mathematics, IPCO (Integer Programming and Combinatorial Optimization).

Publications

Not yet published:

- M. Aprile, M. Drescher, S. Fiorini, T. Huynh *A Tight Approximation Algorithm for the Cluster Vertex Deletion Problem.* `https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.08057`, 2020.
- M. Aprile, M. Drescher, S. Fiorini, T. Huynh *A simple 7/3-approximation algorithm for feedback vertex set in tournaments.* `https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.08779`, 2020.

In conferences with published, peer-reviewed proceedings:

- M. Aprile, M. Conforti, Y. Faenza, S. Fiorini, T. Huynh, M. Macchia
  Recognizing Cartesian products of matrices and polytopes
  Cologne-Twente Workshop on Graphs and Combinatorial Optimization
  (CTW). AIRO- Springer, 2020.

- M. Aprile, Y. Faenza *Extended formulations from communication protocols
  in output-efficient time* International Conference on Integer Programming
  and Combinatorial Optimization (IPCO). Springer, Cham, 2019.

- M. Aprile, Y. Faenza, S. Fiorini, T. Huynh, M. Macchia *Extension
  complexity of stable set polytopes of bipartite graphs* International Workshop
  on Graph-Theoretic Concepts in Computer Science. Springer, Cham,
  2017.

- M. Aprile, N. Castro, F. Robledo, P. Romero *Analysis of Node-Resilience
  Strategies under Natural Disasters.* International Conference on Design
  of Reliable Communication Networks, 2017.

- M. Aprile, A. Cevallos, Y. Faenza *On Vertices and Facets of Combinatorial
  2-Level Polytopes.* In: R. Cerulli, S. Fujishige, A. Mahjoub (eds) Combinatorial
  Optimization. ISCO 2016. Lecture Notes in Computer Science, vol 9849.
  Springer, Cham, 2016.

In journals:

- M. Aprile, S. Fiorini *Regular matroids have polynomial extension complexity.*
  Mathematics of Operations Research, accepted with minor revisions,
  2020.

- M. Aprile, Y. Faenza *Extended formulations from communication protocols
  in output-efficient time* Mathematical Programming B, vol 183, 2020.

- M. Aprile, A. Cevallos, Y. Faenza *On 2-level polytopes arising in combinatorial
  settings* SIAM Journal on Discrete Mathematics 32.3, 2018.

- M. Aprile, N. Castro, G. Ferreira, J. Piccini, F. Robledo, P. Romero
  Graph fragmentation problem: analysis and synthesis International Transactions
  in Operational Research, 2018.

Theses:

- M. Aprile *On some problems related to 2-level polytopes*,
  Ph.D. thesis, EPFL, 2018.

- M. Aprile *Constructive Aspects of Lovász Local Lemma and Applications
  to Graph Colouring*, MSc thesis, University of Oxford, 2014.

- M. Aprile *An algorithm for constructing magic squares*,
  Bachelor thesis, Univesity of Catania, 2013.

Presentations   Workshop on Extended Formulations and Symmetries 2019, Rancagua, Chile (on invitation)

IPCO 2019, Ann Arbor, USA

Cargese Workshop on Combinatorial Optimization (2017-2019), France (on invitation)

Aussois Combinatorial Optimization Workshop (2018-2019), France (on invitation)

DRCN 2017, Munich, Germany

ISCO 2016, Vietri sul Mare, Italy

Languages   Italian (native), English (proficient), French (proficient).