Christian Kroer — Curriculum Vitae

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Research interests

Fields: artificial intelligence, optimization, game theory.

Specific: equilibrium computation, market design, auctions, first-order methods, online learning, machine learning, robust optimization.

Education

Carnegie Mellon University	**Pittsburgh**
Ph.D. in computer science, PA, USA	*2012–2018*

Thesis title: Large-Scale Sequential Imperfect-Information Game Solving: Theoretical Foundations and Practical Algorithms with Guarantees. Advisor: Tuomas Sandholm

IT University of Copenhagen	**Copenhagen**
M.Sc. IT - software development and technology, Denmark	*2009–2012*
Aalborg University	**Aalborg**
B.A. human-centered informatics, Denmark	*2006–2009*

Employment and Internships

Associate Professor (without tenure)
Columbia University, Industrial Engineering and Operations Research — *2024–*

Assistant Professor
Columbia University, Industrial Engineering and Operations Research — *2019–2024*

Research Scientist (1 day per week)
Meta, Core Data Science — *2019–2020, 2022-2024*

Postdoc
Facebook, Core Data Science — *2018–2019*

Research Assistant
Carnegie Mellon University — *2012–2018*

Research Intern
Facebook, Core Data Science — *Summer 2016*

Research Intern
Microsoft Research New York City — *Summer 2015*

Research Assistant (short-term contractor position)
Aalborg University — *2012*

Teaching Assistant
IT University of Copenhagen — *2011–2012*

Systems Developer
Netmester A/S *2010–2011*

Honors and Awards

Best paper award, GameSec 2024

National Science Foundation CAREER Award, 2023-2028

Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award, 2022-2025

Facebook Fellowship in economics and computation, 2016 - 2018

Informs Computing Society Student Paper Competition, runner-up 2017

Publications

Journal papers under review/in revision

[1] Matteo Castiglioni, Andrea Celli, and Christian Kroer. Best of many worlds guarantees for online learning with knapsacks. *Mathematics of Operations Research (submitted)*, 2025.

[2] Bhaskar Ray Chaudhury, Christian Kroer, Ruta Mehta, and Tianlong Nan. Competitive equilibrium for chores: from dual Eisenberg-Gale to a fast, greedy, LP-based algorithm. *Operations Research (Submitted)*, 2024.

[3] Zongjun Yang, Luofeng Liao, Yuan Gao, and Christian Kroer. Online fair allocation with best-of-many-worlds guarantees. *Management Science (major revision)*, 2024.

[4] Luofeng Liao and Christian Kroer. Statistical inference and a/b testing in fisher markets and paced auctions. *Management Science (major revision)*, 2024.

[5] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Online resource allocation under horizon uncertainty. *Management Science (major revision)*, 2024.

[6] Xi Chen, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Throttling equilibria in auction markets. *Operations Research (minor revision)*, 2025.

[7] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Single-leg revenue management with advice. *Operations Research (minor revision)*, 2024.

Published journal papers

[1] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Better regularization for sequential decision spaces: Fast convergence rates for nash, correlated, and team equilibria. *Operations Research (to appear)*, 2025.

[2] Xi Chen, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. The complexity of pacing for second-price auctions. *Mathematics of Operations Research*, 2024.

[3] Julien Grand-Clément and Christian Kroer. Solving optimization problems with blackwell approachability. *Mathematics of Operations Research*, 2024.

[4] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Contextual standard auctions with budgets: Revenue equivalence and efficiency guarantees. *Management Science*, 2023. Finalist, INFORMS AMD Rothkopf Junior Researcher Paper Prize.

[5] Duncan Mcelfresh, Christian Kroer, Sergey Pupyrev, Karthik Sankararaman, Zack Chauvin, Neil Dexter, Eric Sodomka, and John Dickerson. Matching algorithms for blood donation. *Nature Machine Intelligence*, 2023.

[6] Yuan Gao and Christian Kroer. Infinite-dimensional Fisher markets and tractable fair division. *Operations Research*, 2023.

[7] Vincent Conitzer, Christian Kroer, Debmalya Panigrahi, Okke Schrijvers, Eric Sodomka, Nicolas E Stier-Moses, and Chris Wilkens. Pacing equilibrium in first-price auction markets. *Management Science*, 2022.

[8] Vincent Conitzer, Christian Kroer, Eric Sodomka, and Nicolas E. Stier-Moses. Multiplicative pacing equilibria in auction markets. *Operations Research*, 2022.

[9] Christian Kroer, Alexander Peysakhovich, Eric Sodomka, and Nicolas E Stier-Moses. Computing large market equilibria using abstractions. *Operations Research*, 2022.

[10] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Limited lookahead in imperfect-information games. *Artificial Intelligence Journal*, 2020.

[11] Christian Kroer, Kevin Waugh, Fatma Kılınç-Karzan, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster algorithms for extensive-form game solving via improved smoothing functions. *Mathematical Programming Series A*, 2020.

[12] Christian Kroer, Martin Kjær Svendsen, Rune M Jensen, Joseph Kiniry, and Eilif Leknes. Symbolic configuration for interactive container ship stowage planning. *Computational Intelligence*, 2014.

Published conference papers...

[1] Yang Cai, Gabriele Farina, Julien Grand-Clément, Christian Kroer, Chung-Wei Lee, Haipeng Luo, and Weiqiang Zheng. Last-iterate convergence properties of regret-matching algorithms in games. In *ICLR*, 2025.

[2] Luofeng Liao, Christian Kroer, Sergei Leonenkov, Okke Schrijvers, Liang Shi, Nicolas Stier-Moses, and Congshan Zhang. Interference among first-price pacing equilibria: A bias and variance analysis. In *ICLR*, 2025.

[3] Tianlong Nan, Yuan Gao, and Christian Kroer. On the convergence of tâtonnement for linear Fisher markets. In *AAAI (Oral)*, 2025.

[4] Salam Afiouni, Jakub Cerny, Chun Kai Ling, and Christian Kroer. Commitment to sparse strategies in two-player games. In *AAAI*, 2025.

[5] Yang Cai, Gabriele Farina, Grand-Clément, Julien, Christian Kroer, Chung-Wei Lee, Haipeng Luo, and Weiqiang Zheng. Fast last-iterate convergence of learning in games requires forgetful algorithms. In *NeurIPS*, 2024.

[6] Chakrabarti, Darshan, Grand-Clément, Julien, and Christian Kroer. Extensive-form game solving via Blackwell approachability on treeplexes. In *NeurIPS (spotlight)*, 2024.

[7] Zhiyuan Fan, Christian Kroer, and Gabriele Farina. On the optimality of dilated entropy and lower bounds for online learning in extensive-form games. In *NeurIPS*, 2024.

[8] Jakub Cerny, Chun Kai Ling, Darshan Chakrabarti, Jingwen Zhang, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Garud Iyengar. Contested logistics: A game theoretic approach. In *GameSec (Best Paper Award)*, 2024.

[9] Bhaskar Ray Chaudhury, Christian Kroer, Ruta Mehta, and Tianlong Nan. Competitive equilibrium for chores: from dual Eisenberg-Gale to a fast, greedy, LP-based algorithm. In *EC*, 2024.

[10] Luofeng Liao and Christian Kroer. Bootstrapping Fisher market equilibrium and first-price pacing equilibrium. In *ICML*, 2024.

[11] Matteo Castiglioni, Andrea Celli, and Christian Kroer. Online learning under budget and ROI constraints via weak adaptivity. In *ICML*, 2024.

[12] Jakub Cerny, Chun Kai Ling, Christian Kroer, and Garud Iyengar. Layered graph security games. In *IJCAI*, 2024.

[13] Darshan Chakrabarti, Gabriele Farina, and Christian Kroer. Efficient online learning on polytopes with linear minimization oracles. In *AAAI*, 2024.

[14] Zongjun Yang, Luofeng Liao, and Christian Kroer. Greedy-based online fair allocation with adversarial input: Enabling best-of-many-worlds guarantees. In *AAAI*, 2024.

[15] Michael Curry, Vinzenz Thoma, Darshan Chakrabarti, Stephen Marcus McAleer, Christian Kroer, Tuomas Sandholm, Niao He, and Sven Seuken. Automated design of affine maximizer mechanisms in dynamic settings. In *AAAI*, 2024.

[16] Gabriele Farina, Julien Grand-Clément, Christian Kroer, Chung-Wei Lee, and Haipeng Luo. Regret matching$^+$: (in)stability and fast convergence in games. In *NeurIPS (spotlight)*, 2023.

[17] Darshan Chakrabarti, Jelena Diakonikolas, and Christian Kroer. Block-coordinate methods and restarting for solving extensive-form games. In *NeurIPS*, 2023.

[18] Amine Allouah, Christian Kroer, Xuan Zhang, Vashist Avadhanula, Anil Dania, Caner Gocmen, Sergey Pupyrev, Parikshit Shah, and Nicolas Stier. Fair allocation over time, with applications to content moderation. In *KDD*, 2023.

[19] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Single-leg revenue management with advice. In *EC*, 2023.

[20] Luofeng Liao and Christian Kroer. Statistical inference and a/b testing for first-price pacing equilibria. In *ICML*, 2023.

[21] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Online resource allocation under horizon uncertainty. In *SIGMETRICS*, 2023.

[22] Alexander Peysakhovich, Christian Kroer, and Nicolas Usunier. Implementing fairness constraints in markets using taxes and subsidies. In *FAccT*, 2023.

[23] Luofeng Liao, Yuan Gao, and Christian Kroer. Statistical inference for Fisher market equilibrium. In *ICLR*, 2023.

[24] Samuel Sokota, Ryan D'Orazio, J. Zico Kolter, Nicolas Loizou, Marc Lanctot, Ioannis Mitliagkas, Noam Brown, and Christian Kroer. A unified approach to reinforcement learning, quantal response equilibria, and two-player zero-sum games. In *ICLR*, 2023.

[25] Tianlong Nan, Yuan Gao, and Christian Kroer. Fast and interpretable dynamics for Fisher markets via block-coordinate updates. In *AAAI (Oral)*, 2023.

[26] Luofeng Liao, Yuan Gao, and Christian Kroer. Nonstationary dual averaging and online fair allocation. In *NeurIPS*, 2022.

[27] Gabriele Farina, Ioannis Anagnostides, Haipeng Luo, Chung-Wei Lee, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Near-optimal no-regret learning for general convex games. In *NeurIPS*, 2022.

[28] Ioannis Anagnostides, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, Chung-Wei Lee, Haipeng Luo, and Tuomas Sandholm. Uncoupled learning dynamics with $O(\log T)$ swap regret in multiplayer games. In *NeurIPS (Oral)*, 2022.

[29] Steven Yin and Christian Kroer. Optimal efficiency-envy trade-off via optimal transport. In *NeurIPS*, 2022.

[30] Matteo Castiglioni, Andrea Celli, and Christian Kroer. Online learning with knapsacks: the best of both worlds. In *ICML*, 2022.

[31] Gabriele Farina, Chung-Wei Lee, Haipeng Luo, and Christian Kroer. Kernelized multiplicative weights for 0/1-polyhedral games: Bridging the gap between learning in extensive-form and normal-form games. In *ICML*, 2022.

[32] Santiago Balseiro, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Contextual standard auctions with budgets: Revenue equivalence and efficiency guarantees. In *EC*, 2022.

[33] Ioannis Anagnostides, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, Andrea Celli, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster no-regret learning dynamics for extensive-form correlated and coarse correlated equilibria. In *EC*, 2022.

[34] Andrea Celli, Riccardo Colini Baldeschi, Christian Kroer, and Eric Sodomka. The parity ray regularizer for pacing in auction markets. In *TheWebConf*, 2022.

[35] Yuan Gao, Alex Peysakhovich, and Christian Kroer. Online market equilibrium with application to fair division. In *NeurIPS*, 2021.

[36] Julien Grand-Clément and Christian Kroer. Conic Blackwell algorithm: Parameter-free convex-concave saddle-point solving. In *NeurIPS*, 2021.

[37] Chung-Wei Lee, Christian Kroer, and Haipeng Luo. Last-iterate convergence in extensive-form games. In *NeurIPS*, 2021.

[38] Xi Chen, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. Throttling equilibria in auction markets. In *WINE*, 2021.

[39] Xi Chen, Christian Kroer, and Rachitesh Kumar. The complexity of pacing for second-price auctions. In *EC*, 2021.

[40] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Better regularization for sequential decision spaces: Fast convergence rates for Nash, correlated, and team equilibria. In *EC*, 2021.

[41] Julien Grand-Clément and Christian Kroer. First-order methods for wasserstein distributionally robust mdp. In *ICML (spotlight)*, 2021.

[42] Steven Yin, Shatian Wang, and Lingyi Zhang and Christian Kroer. Dominant resource fairness with meta-types. In *IJCAI*, 2021.

[43] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster game solving via predictive Blackwell approachability: Connecting regret matching and mirror descent. In *AAAI*, 2021.

[44] Julien Grand-Clément and Christian Kroer. Scalable first-order methods for robust MDPs. In *AAAI*, 2021.

[45] Yuan Gao, Christian Kroer, and Donald Goldfarb. Increasing iterate averaging for solving saddle-point problems. In *AAAI*, 2021.

[46] Yuan Gao and Christian Kroer. Infinite-dimensional Fisher markets: Equilibrium, duality and optimization. In *AAAI*, 2021.

[47] Yuan Gao and Christian Kroer. First-order methods for large-scale market equilibrium computation. In *NeurIPS*, 2020.

[48] Tom Yan, Christian Kroer, and Alexander Peysakhovich. Evaluating and rewarding teamwork using cooperative game abstractions. In *NeurIPS*, 2020.

[49] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Stochastic regret minimization in extensive-form games. In *ICML*, 2020.

[50] Duncan Mcelfresh, Christian Kroer, Sergey Pupyrev, Karthik Sankararaman, Zack Chauvin, Neil Dexter, Eric Sodomka, and John Dickerson. Matching algorithms for blood donation. In *EC*, 2020.

[51] Riley Murray, Christian Kroer, Alex Peysakhovich, and Parikshit Shah. Robust market equilibria with uncertain preferences. In *AAAI (oral presentation)*, 2020. oral presentation.

[52] Alex Peysakhovich, Christian Kroer, and Adam Lerer. Robust multi-agent counterfactual prediction. In *NeurIPS*, 2019.

[53] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Optimistic regret minimization for extensive-form games via dilated distance-generating functions. In *NeurIPS*, 2019.

[54] Christian Kroer, Alexander Peysakhovich, Eric Sodomka, and Nicolas E Stier-Moses. Computing large market equilibria using abstractions. In *EC*, 2019.

[55] Vincent Conitzer, Christian Kroer, Debmalya Panigrahi, Okke Schrijvers, Eric Sodomka, Nicolas E Stier-Moses, and Chris Wilkens. Pacing equilibrium in first-price auction markets. In *EC*, 2019.

[56] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Regret circuits: Composability of regret minimizers. In *ICML (long oral)*, 2019.

[57] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, Noam Brown, and Tuomas Sandholm. Stable-predictive optimistic counterfactual regret minimization. In *ICML*, 2019.

[58] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Online convex optimization for sequential decision processes and extensive-form games. In *AAAI*, 2019.

[59] Alberto Marchesi, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, Nicola Gatti, and Tuomas Sandholm. Quasi-perfect stackelberg equilibrium. In *AAAI*, 2019.

[60] Christian Kroer, Gabriele Farina, and Tuomas Sandholm. Solving large sequential games with the excessive gap technique. In *NeurIPS (spotlight presentation)*, 2018.

[61] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. A unified framework for extensive-form game abstraction with bounds. In *NeurIPS*, 2018.

[62] Vincent Conitzer, Christian Kroer, Eric Sodomka, and Nicolas E. Stier-Moses. Multiplicative pacing equilibria in auction markets. In *WINE*, 2018.

[63] Gabriele Farina, Alberto Marchesi, Christian Kroer, Nicola Gatti, and Tuomas Sandholm. Trembling-hand perfection in extensive-form games with commitment. In *IJCAI*, 2018.

[64] Christian Kroer, Gabriele Farina, and Tuomas Sandholm. Robust stackelberg equilibria in extensive-form games and extension to limited lookahead. In *AAAI*, 2018.

[65] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Regret minimization in behaviorally-constrained zero-sum games. In *ICML*, 2017.

[66] Christian Kroer, Kevin Waugh, Fatma Kılınç-Karzan, and Tuomas Sandholm. Theoretical and practical advances on smoothing for extensive-form games. In *EC*, 2017.

[67] Christian Kroer, Gabriele Farina, and Tuomas Sandholm. Smoothing method for approximate extensive-form perfect equilibrium. In *IJCAI*, 2017.

[68] Noam Brown, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Dynamic thresholding and pruning for regret minimization. In *AAAI*, 2017.

[69] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Imperfect-recall abstractions with bounds in games. In *EC*, 2016.

[70] Christian Kroer, Miroslav Dudík, Sébastien Lahaie, and Sivaraman Balakrishnan. Arbitrage-free combinatorial market making via integer programming. In *EC*, 2016.

[71] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Sequential planning for steering immune system adaptation. In *IJCAI*, 2016.

[72] Christian Kroer, Kevin Waugh, Fatma Kılınç-Karzan, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster first-order methods for extensive-form game solving. In *EC*, 2015.

[73] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Limited lookahead in imperfect-information games. In *IJCAI*, 2015.

[74] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Discretization of continuous action spaces in extensive-form games. In *AAMAS*, 2015.

[75] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Computational bundling for auctions. In *AAMAS*, 2015.

[76] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Extensive-form game abstraction with bounds. In *EC*, 2014.

[77] Bruce DeBruhl, Christian Kroer, Anupam Datta, Tuomas Sandholm, and Patrick Tague. Power napping with loud neighbors: optimal energy-constrained jamming and anti-jamming. In *WiSec*, 2014.

[78] Paolo Viappiani and Christian Kroer. Robust optimization of recommendation sets with the maximin utility criterion. In *ADT*, 2013.

[79] Kevin Tierney, Amanda Jane Coles, Andrew Coles, Christian Kroer, Adam M Britt, and Rune Møller Jensen. Automated planning for liner shipping fleet repositioning. In *ICAPS*, 2012.

[80] Christian Kroer and Yuri Malitsky. Feature filtering for instance-specific algorithm configuration. In *ICTAI*, 2011.

Workshop papers..

[1] Chun Kai Ling, Jakub Cerny, Chin Hui Han, Christian Kroer, and Garud Iyengar. How deep is your defense-in-depth? hardening cybersecurity network control against adaptive attackers. In *AAAI-25 Workshop on Artificial Intelligence for Cyber Security (AICS25)*, 2025.

[2] Luofeng Liao, Christian Kroer, Sergei Leonenkov, Okke Schrijvers, Liang Shi, Nicolas Stier-Moses, and Congshan Zhang. Interference among first-price pacing equilibria: A bias and variance analysis. In *CODE@MIT*, 2024.

[3] Darshan Chakrabarti, Gabriele Farina, and Christian Kroer. Efficient learning in polyhedral games via best response oracles. In *OPT2023: Optimization for Machine Learning*, 2023.

[4] Michael Curry, Vinzenz Thoma, Darshan Chakrabarti, Stephen Marcus McAleer, Christian Kroer, Tuomas Sandholm, Niao He, and Sven Seuken. Automated design of affine maximizer mechanisms in dynamic settings. In *European Workshop on Reinforcement Learning*, 2023.

[5] Samuel Sokota, Ryan D'Orazio, J Zico Kolter, Nicolas Loizou, Marc Lanctot, Ioannis Mitliagkas, Noam Brown, and Christian Kroer. A unified approach to reinforcement learning, quantal response equilibria, and two-player zero-sum games. In *Deep RL Workshop*, 2022.

[6] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Clairvoyant regret minimization: Equivalence with nemirovski's conceptual prox method and extension to general convex games. In *OPT2022: Optimization for Machine Learning*, 2022.

[7] Ioannis Anagnostides, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster no-regret learning dynamics for extensiveform correlated equilibrium. in: Aaai-22 workshop on reinforcement learning in games. In *AAAI-22 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games (AAAI22-RLG)*, 2022.

[8] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Faster game solving via predictive blackwell approachability: Connecting regret matching and mirror descent. In *AAAI-21 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2021.

[9] Farina, Christian Kroer, Noam Brown, and Tuomas Sandholm. Stable-predictive optimistic counterfactual regret minimization. In *AAAI-20 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2020.

[10] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Optimistic regret minimization for extensive-form games via dilated distance-generating functions. In *AAAI-20 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2020.

[11] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Composability of regret minimizers. In *AAAI-20 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2020.

[12] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Optimistic regret minimization for extensive-form games via dilated distance-generating functions. In *7th International Workshop on Strategic Reasoning (SR 2019) at IJCAI*, 2019.

[13] Alexander Peysakhovich and Christian Kroer. Fair division without disparate impact. In *3rd Workshop on Mechanism Design for Social Good at EC*, 2019.

[14] Duncan Mcelfresh, Christian Kroer, Sergey Pupyrev, Eric Sodomka, and John Dickerson. Matching algorithms for blood donation. In *3rd Workshop on Mechanism Design for Social Good at EC*, 2019.

[15] Duncan Mcelfresh, Christian Kroer, Sergey Pupyrev, Eric Sodomka, and John Dickerson. Matching algorithms for blood donation. In *AI for Social Good at IJCAI 2019*, 2019.

[16] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Regret circuits: Composability of regret minimizers. In *AAAI-19 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2019.

[17] Alberto Marchesi, Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, Nicola Gatti, and Tuomas Sandholm. Quasi-perfect stackelberg equilibrium. In *AAAI-19 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2019.

[18] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Online convex optimization for sequential decision processes and extensive-form games. In *AAAI-19 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2019.

[19] Christian Kroer, Gabriele Farina, and Tuomas Sandholm. Solving large sequential games with the excessive gap technique. In *AAAI-19 Workshop on Reinforcement Learning in Games*, 2019.

[20] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. A unified framework for extensive-form game abstraction with bounds. In *AI³ workshop at IJCAI*, 2018.

[21] Christian Kroer, Nam Ho-Nguyen, George Lu, and Fatma Kılınç-Karzan. Performance evaluation of iterative methods for solving robust convex quadratic problems. In *Optimization for Machine Learning Workshop*, 2017.

[22] Vincent Conitzer, Christian Kroer, Eric Sodomka, and Nicolas E. Stier-Moses. Multiplicative pacing equilibria in auction markets. In *Workshop on Algorithmic Game Theory and Data Science at EC*, 2017.

[23] Gabriele Farina, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Regret minimization in behaviorally-constrained zero-sum games. In *Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop at IJCAI*, 2017.

[24] Noam Brown, Christian Kroer, and Tuomas Sandholm. Dynamic thresholding and pruning for regret minimization. In *Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop at IJCAI*, 2016.

[25] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Imperfect-recall abstractions with bounds. In *Algorithmic Game Theory Workshop at IJCAI*, 2015.

[26] Christian Kroer and Tuomas Sandholm. Extensive-form game abstraction with bounds. In *Workshop on Computer Poker and Imperfect Information at AAAI*, 2015.

Invited talks

2025: University of Illinios Urbana-Champaign ISE Seminar
2025: Tippie College of Business Seminar
2024: MIT ORC Seminar
2024: DeepMind NYC
2024: Rutgers Business School Seminar
2023: Columbia Workshop on Fairness in Operations and AI
2023: University of Minnesota IsyE Department Seminar
2023: Indeed.com Ad Science
2023: Facebook Core Data Science Experimentation Science and Market Algorithms Team
2022: Amazon Advertising Research Seminar
2022: Invited Speaker, Mixed Integer Programming Workshop
2022: UMD CS Theory Seminar
2022: Spotify Tech Research Seminar Series
2021: RPI Computer Science Colloquium
2021: University of Illinois Urbana Champagin ISE Seminar
2021: Aarhus University Invited Talk
2021: Plenary speaker, Workshop on Reinforcement Learning Theory @ ICML'21
2021: NYU Stern Operations Management Research Seminar
2019: Machine Learning for Science and Engineering (MLSE)
2017: Duke University CS-ECON Seminar

Columbia Teaching

IEOR E4530 AI, Games, and Markets   **Columbia University**
BS+MS class, Professor   *2022 Spring, 2023 Fall*

IEOR E4525 Machine Learning for OR & FE   **Columbia University**
BS+MS class, Professor   *2020 Fall, 2021 Spring+Fall, 2022 Spring+Fall, 2024 Spring*

IEOR E8100 Economics, AI, and Optimization   **Columbia University**
PhD class, Professor   *2020 Spring*

IEOR E4004 Optimization Models and Methods   **Columbia University**
MS class, Professor   *2019 Fall*

Prior Teaching

Electronic Negotiation   **Carnegie Mellon University**
MS class, Vertical mentor   *2017*

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MS class, Vertical mentor   *2016*

Graduate Artificial Intelligence   **Carnegie Mellon University**
PhD class, TA   *2016*

Electronic Negotiation   **Carnegie Mellon University**
MS class, Vertical mentor   *2015*

Artificial Intelligence   **Carnegie Mellon University**
BS class, TA, Nominated for TA award   *2015*

Electronic Negotiation   **Carnegie Mellon University**
MS class, Vertical mentor   *2014*

Intelligent Systems Programming   **IT University of Copenhagen**
MS class, TA   *2012*

Algorithm Design   **IT University of Copenhagen**
MS class, TA   *2011*

Ph.D. Advising - Current Students

David Yang (coadvisor: Tianyi Lin)   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2024-2029

Zongjun Yang   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2024-2029

Fatih Selim Aktas   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2023-2028

Salam Afiouni   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2023-2028

Tianlong Nan   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2022-2027

Darshan Chakrabarti   **IEOR, Columbia University**
2021-2026

Ph.D. Advising - Graduated Students

Luofeng Liao   **IEOR, Columbia University**
Position: Research Scientist, Meta   *2021-2025*
Thesis title: Statistical Inference in Competitive Equilibrium

Rachitesh Kumar   **IEOR, Columbia University**
Position: Assistant Professor, Tepper School of Business   *2019-2024*
Thesis title: Budget Management in Auctions: Bidding Algorithms and Equilibrium Analysis

Yuan Gao   **IEOR, Columbia University**
Position: Senior Data Scientist, Microsoft   *2019-2022*

Thesis title: New Optimization Models and Methods for Classical,
Infinite-Dimensional, and Online Fisher Markets

Postdoctoral Advising

Jakub Cerny   **IEOR, Columbia University**
                                                         2023-2026

Coadvised with Garud Iyengar

Shuvomoy Das Gupta   **IEOR, Columbia University**
Position: Assistant Professor, Rice University   *2024-2025*
Coadvised with Garud Iyengar

Chun Kai Ling   **IEOR, Columbia University**
Position: Assistant Professor, National University of Singapore   *2023-2024*
Coadvised with Garud Iyengar

Visiting Ph.D. students

Francesco Emanuele Stradi   **Politecnico di Milano**
                                                         2025-2025

M.Sc. and Undergraduate Advising

Tianlong Nan   **IEOR, Columbia University**
MS   *2021-2022*

Zongjun Yang   **Peking University**
BS   *2023-2024*

Awards Won by Students

Awards below were won by students that I advise for our joint research projects.

2025: Rachitesh Kumar, Honorable mention, SIGecom Doctoral Dissertation Award

2023: Rachitesh Kumar, Finalist, INFORMS AMD Rothkopf Junior Researcher Paper Prize

2023: Darshan Chakrabarti, NSF Graduate Research Fellowship

2022: Rachitesh Kumar, CAIT Doctoral Fellowship. One year of full support+extension option.

2021: Yuan Gao, Cheung-Kong Innovation Doctoral Fellowship. One year of full support.

Outside Service

Thesis committee/review:
○ Andrea Celli, Information Technology at Politecnico di Milano, 2019,

Grant Reviews: ONR (4-8 per year), 2023-2025

Conference Program Committee service:
○ ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (PC: 2019-2022, 2024, SPC: 2025)
○ NeurIPS (PC: 2020, Area Chair: 2021-2023, Senior Area Chair: 2024, 2025)
○ AAAI (PC: 2019, SPC: 2020-2022,2024, Area Chair: 2025)

Journal Editor Roles: Transactions on Machine Learning Research, action editor (2022-2023)

Other Area Chair and Leadership Roles at Conferences: AAAI Social Impact Track ('20) Area

Chair, INFORMS 2025 cluster co-chair: Auctions and Market Design Cluster

Other Program Committee: DAI ('19), IJCAI ('16, '18, '19), WEB ('20), Computer Poker Workshop at AAAI ('17)

Reviewing: AAAI ('17), ACM Transactions on Economics and Computation ('13, '14, '16, '18), AISTATS ('17), Artificial Intelligence ('18, '19), EC ('17,'23), Games and Economic Behavior ('21, '22), ICML ('16), IJCAI ('16, '18), Imperfect-Information Games Workshop ('18), Information Systems Research ('21), International Conference on Learning Representations ('22), IPCO (2020), Management Science ('20, '21, '22,'23,'24), Mathematical Programming ('22,'23), Mathematics of Operations Research ('24,'25), Neurips OPT workshop ('24, '25), Operations Research ('18, '19, '20, '21, '22, '23,'24,'25), JAAMAS ('15, '16), SODA ('22,'23), STOC ('22, '24) TARK ('17), Transactions on Computational Intelligence and AI in Games ('14, '15), WINE ('15, '19, '21)

Workshop Organizing: Workshop on fairness in business and operations, December 2023, organizer

Societies: INFORMS, AAAI, ACM

2017 - 2018: Member of the CMU CSD Speakers Club

2014 - 2016: CMU CS Ph.D. admissions committee member

2013: CMU CSD Immigration Course coordinator

Department Service

Thesis committee/review:
- IEOR at Columbia University: Sudeep Raja, Jalaj Bhandari, Yunhao Tang, Yi Ren, Xiao Lei, Steven Yin, Shatian Wang, Sai Mali Ananth, Haofeng Zhang
- SEAS at Columbia University: Eric Neyman (thesis defense 2024, thesis proposal 2023, candidacy exam 2022), William Brown (thesis defense 2024, candidacy exam 2022)

Fall 2020-Fall 2022: IEOR-DRO Seminar Organizer

2020, 2021, 2022, 2024, 2025: Columbia IEOR Ph.D. admissions committee member

2022-: Columbia IEOR MSOR/MSIE committee member

2020-2022: Columbia IEOR undergraduate committee member

2021, 2022: Columbia IEOR faculty hiring committee member

External Funding

2023-2028: CAREER: Fair and Efficient Market Design at Scale. NSF. Sole PI. $600,000

2023-2026: Red Team/Blue Team Games with Contingency Planning and Adversarial Team Games. Office of Naval Research. Lead PI. $1,226,862.00 (my share: $736,117)

2022-2025: Fast Iterative Methods for Large-Scale Game-Theoretic Problems and Beyond. Office of Naval Research Young Investigator Award. Sole PI. $510,000

2022-2025: FAI: Making Money Fairly - AI Algorithms for Fair Auctions, Pricing, and Marketing. NSF and Amazon. Co-PI. $628,789 (my share: $125,758)

Programming

Strong experience (2+ years professional or research work; some a decade ago): Java, Python, C++, C#

Medium experience: R, SQL, C, HTML, CSS
Familiar with: Julia, Matlab, Scala, XSLT, Javascript

Frameworks

Statistics/ML: pandas, scikit-learn, tidyverse.
Version control: Git, SVN, Mercurial.
Optimization: CPLEX, Gurobi, NumPy, CVXPY.
Web: ASP.NET, Bootstrap, Flask.