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WORK EXPERIENCE

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| SEP 2024–PRESENT | Assistant Professor ('Ricercatore Tenure Track'), University of Florence , Department of Mathematics and Computer Science
<i>Research group:</i> Probability |
| SEP 2020–AUG 2024 | Postdoc University Assistant ('Universitätsassistent'), TU Wien , Institute of Statistics and Mathematical Methods in Economics
<i>Research unit:</i> Probability
<i>Head of the research unit:</i> Fabio Toninelli |
| JUL 2018–AUG 2020 | Research Scientist, University College Dublin , School of Mathematics and Statistics
<i>Funding:</i> ERC grant "Integrable random structures"
<i>Supervisor:</i> Neil O'Connell |
| MAR 2014–SEP 2014 | Research intern, STMicronics , Agrate Brianza, Italy
Advanced System Technology, Security Lab, Cryptography group |

HIGHER EDUCATION

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| OCT 2014–JUL 2018 | Ph.D. in STATISTICS, University of Warwick
<i>Thesis:</i> "Random polymers via orthogonal Whittaker and symplectic Schur functions" (http://wrap.warwick.ac.uk/121448/)
<i>Award date:</i> 18 December 2018
<i>Supervisor:</i> Prof. Nikos ZYGOURAS |
| OCT 2011–Nov 2013 | MSc. in MATHEMATICS, Università di Milano-Bicocca
<i>Erasmus</i> exchange year, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid , 2012-2013
<i>Thesis:</i> "Large deviations"
<i>Supervisor:</i> Prof. Francesco CARAVENNA
<i>Final mark:</i> 110/110 <i>cum laude</i> |
| OCT 2008–Nov 2011 | BSc. in MATHEMATICS, Università di Milano-Bicocca
<i>Final mark:</i> 110/110 <i>cum laude</i> |

GRANTS

- 2023 | Co-investigator of the Focused Research Grant “A graph-theoretic approach to the Jacobian conjecture: Part II”
Awarded by the Heilbronn Institute for Mathematical Research.
Principal investigator: Dr Samuel G. G. Johnston.
Other co-investigators: Dr Piotr Dyszewski, Prof. Nina Gantert, Prof. Joscha Prochno, Dr Dominik Schmid.
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SCHOLARSHIPS

- OCT 2014–MAR 2018 | EPSRC scholarship, **University of Warwick**
Covering PhD fees. Awarded by the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC).
- OCT 2014–MAR 2018 | PhD maintenance bursary, **University of Warwick**
Awarded by the Department of Statistics at Warwick.

AWARDS

- 2017 | Prize *Giving to Warwick*, **University of Warwick**
Awarded for an “outstanding contribution by PhD students to the Statistics Department’s teaching programme”.

PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS

- [1] E. BISI and F. D. CUNDEN. **λ -shaped random matrices, λ -plane trees, and λ -Dyck paths** (2024). Submitted. arXiv: [2403.07418](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.07418).
- [2] E. BISI, P. DYSZEWSKI, N. GANTERT, S. G. G. JOHNSTON, J. PROCHNO, and D. SCHMID. **Random planar trees and the Jacobian conjecture** (2023). Submitted. arXiv: [2301.08221](https://arxiv.org/abs/2301.08221).
- [3] J. ARISTA, E. BISI, and N. O’CONNELL. **Matsumoto-Yor and Dufresne type theorems for a random walk on positive definite matrices**. *Ann. Inst. H. Poincaré (B) Probab. Statist.* 60.2 (2024). URL: <https://doi.org/10.1214/22-AIHP1338>.
- [4] J. ARISTA, E. BISI, and N. O’CONNELL. **Matrix Whittaker processes**. *Probability Theory and Related Fields* 187 (2023), pp. 203–257. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00440-023-01210-y>.

- [5] E. BISI, Y. LIAO, A. SAENZ, and N. ZYGOURAS. **Non-intersecting path constructions for TASEP with inhomogeneous rates and the KPZ fixed point.** *Communications in Mathematical Physics* 402 (2023), pp. 285–333. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00220-023-04723-8>.
- [6] E. BISI and N. ZYGOURAS. **Transition between characters of classical groups, decomposition of Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns and last passage percolation.** *Advances in Mathematics* 404.B (2022), p. 108453. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aim.2022.108453>.
- [7] E. BISI, F. D. CUNDEN, S. GIBBONS, and D. ROMIK. **The oriented swap process and last passage percolation.** *Random Structures and Algorithms* 60.4 (2022), pp. 690–715. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1002/rsa.21055>.
- [8] E. BISI, N. O'CONNELL, and N. ZYGOURAS. **The geometric Burge correspondence and the partition function of polymer replicas.** *Selecta Mathematica New Series* 27 (2021), #100. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00029-021-00712-8>.
- [9] E. BISI, F. D. CUNDEN, S. GIBBONS, and D. ROMIK. **Sorting networks, staircase Young tableaux and last passage percolation.** *Séminaire Lotharingien de Combinatoire 84B (2020), Proceedings of the 32nd Conference on Formal Power Series and Algebraic Combinatorics*. 2020, #3. URL: <https://www.mat.univie.ac.at/~slc/wpapers/FPSAC2020/3.html>.
- [10] E. BISI and N. ZYGOURAS. **GOE and $\text{Airy}_{2 \rightarrow 1}$ marginal distribution via symplectic Schur functions.** *Probability and Analysis in Interacting Physical Systems: In Honor of S.R.S. Varadhan*. Ed. by P. FRIZ, W. KÖNIG, C. MUKHERJEE, and S. OLLA. Berlin: Springer, 2019. URL: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-15338-0_7.
- [11] E. BISI and N. ZYGOURAS. **Point-to-line polymers and orthogonal Whittaker functions.** *Transactions of the American Mathematical Society* 371.12 (2019), pp. 8339–8379. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1090/tran/7423>.
- [12] E. BISI, F. MELZANI, and V. ZACCARIA. **Symbolic analysis of higher-order side channel countermeasures.** *IEEE Transactions on Computers* 66.6 (2017), pp. 1099–1105. URL: <https://doi.org/10.1109/TC.2016.2635650>.

TEACHING

2020–2024	<p>Lecturer, TU Wien</p> <p><i>Theory of Stochastic Processes</i>, MSc module (2023-2024, sem. 2; 2022-2023, sem. 2)</p> <p><i>Mathematical Statistics</i>, MSc module (2023-2024, sem. 1)</p> <p><i>Seminar in Probability Theory on: longest increasing subsequences in random permutations</i>, MSc module (2020-2021, sem. 2)</p>
2020–2024	<p>Instructor of problem classes, TU Wien</p> <p><i>Theory of Stochastic Processes</i>, MSc module (2023-2024, sem. 2; 2022-2023, sem. 2; 2021-2022, sem. 2; 2020-2021, sem. 2)</p> <p><i>Mathematical Statistics</i>, MSc module (2023-2024, sem. 1; 2022-2023, sem. 1; 2021-2022, sem. 1)</p> <p><i>Measure and Probability Theory 2</i>, BSc module (2022-2023, sem. 1)</p>

- 2019 | Substitute lecturer, **University College Dublin**
Probability Theory, BSc module (2019-2020, sem. 1)
- 2015–2018 | Teaching assistant, **University of Warwick**
Probability Theory, BSc module (2017-2018, term 2; 2016-2017, term 2)
Mathematical Methods, BSc module (2017-2018, term 1)
Mathematics of Random Events, BSc module (2016-2017, term 1)
Stochastic Processes, BSc module (2015-2016, term 2)
Mathematical Techniques, BSc module (2015-2016, term 1)
Probability A & B, BSc module (2014-2015, term 2)

SUPERVISION

- 2019 | Research project supervisor, **University College Dublin**
Undergraduate summer research project: "Interacting Particle Systems, Last Passage Percolation, and Random Matrices"
Supervised student: Shane Gibbons (competitively selected by a departmental committee)
Cosupervisor: Fabio Deelan Cunden

REFEREEING

- 2014–PRESENT | Referee for scientific journals and conference proceedings
ALEA - Latin American Journal of Probability and Mathematical Statistics
Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré - Probabilités et Statistiques
Annals of Applied Probability
Annals of Probability
Communications in Mathematical Physics
Electronic Journal of Probability
Formal Power Series and Algebraic Combinatorics - proceedings
International Mathematics Research Notices
Mathematical Physics, Analysis and Geometry
Probability Surveys
Probability Theory and Related Fields
Stochastic Processes and their Applications
Symmetry, Integrability and Geometry: Methods and Applications

ORGANISATION

- JUL 2025 | Organiser of the session "Random matrices and combinatorial structures" (**invited**), 44th Conference on Stochastic Processes and their Applications, **Wrocław**.

- JUN 2024 | Organiser of the session “Combinatorial structures in probability and statistics”, Fourth Italian Meeting on Probability and Mathematical Statistics, **Rome**.
Invited participants: Alejandra Avalos Pacheco, Gianmarco Bet, Fabio D. Cunden, Ivailo Hartarsky
- JUL 2023 | Organiser of the session “Interacting Markov processes related to random matrices”, 43rd Conference on Stochastic Processes and their Applications, **Universidade de Lisboa**.
Invited participants: Jonas Arista, Theo Assiotis, Will FitzGerald
- JUN 2019 | Organiser of the session “Random interfaces and universality”, Second Italian Meeting on Probability and Mathematical Statistics, **Salerno**.
Invited participants: Giuseppe Cannizzaro, Alberto Chiarini

OUTREACH

- JUL 2017 | Seminar leader, *Science and survival* program, **University of Warwick**
Interactive seminars called “Probability in Statistical Physics” in a higher education outreach program for secondary school students.

INVITED TALKS (SELECTED)

- 17-22 Nov 2024 | “Mixing Times in the Kardar-Parisi-Zhang Universality Class” mini-workshop, **Mathematisches Forschungsinstitut Oberwolfach**.
- 11 SEP 2024 | UCD probability seminar, **University College Dublin**.
Random matrices, Young diagrams, and trees
- 14 JUN 2024 | “Fourth Italian Meeting on Probability and Mathematical Statistics”, Session “Random walks and disordered models”, **Università di Roma - La Sapienza**.
Non-intersecting path constructions for inhomogeneous TASEP and the KPZ fixed point
- 8 JAN 2024 | Vienna Probability Seminar, **Universität Wien**.
Non-intersecting path constructions for inhomogeneous TASEP and the KPZ fixed point
- 19 OCT 2023 | “Discrete Random Structures” conference, **Będlewo**, Poland.
Random planar trees and the Jacobian conjecture
- 7 SEP 2023 | “XXII Congresso dell’Unione Matematica Italiana” (sezione di probabilità e statistica matematica), **Università di Pisa** and **Scuola Normale Superiore**.
Probabilità su alberi e la congettura jacobiana

- 21 JUL 2023 | Munich-Augsburg Probability Colloquium, **Universität Augsburg**.
Non-intersecting path constructions for inhomogeneous TASEP and the KPZ fixed point
- 7 FEB 2023 | SPASS (Seminars in Probability, Stochastic Analysis and Statistics), **Università di Pisa**
Matrix Whittaker processes
- 06 APR 2022 | UniBA Mathematical Physics Seminar, **Università di Bari (online)**
Matsumoto-Yor and Dufresne type theorems for a random walk on positive definite matrices
- 29 Nov 2021 | Meeting of the international research network PIICQ (“Integrable Probability, Classical and Quantum Integrability”), **online**
Polymer models, geometric RSK and Whittaker functions
- 20 APR 2021 | Vienna Discrete Mathematics Seminar (Arbeitsgemeinschaft “Diskrete Mathematik”), **TU Wien (online)**
Sorting networks, staircase Young tableaux and last passage percolation
- 10 MAR 2021 | Workshop on Enumerative Combinatorics 2021, **University College Dublin (online)**
Sorting networks and staircase Young tableaux
- 6 OCT 2020 | Vienna Probability Seminar, **TU Wien**
The oriented swap process and last passage percolation
- 18 JUN 2020 | Junior Integrable Probability Seminar, **online**
Random sorting networks and last passage percolation
- 10 JAN 2020 | Dipartimento di Matematica e Fisica, **Università Roma Tre**
Random sorting networks and last passage percolation
- 25 JUN 2019 | “Advances in Last Passage Percolation” workshop, **University of Sussex**
Transition between characters of classical groups, decomposition of Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns, and last passage percolation
- 7 JUN 2019 | “Virginia Integrable Probability Summer School 2019”, **University of Virginia**
Transition between characters of classical groups, decomposition of Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns, and last passage percolation
- 14 MAY 2019 | Integrable probability seminar, **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
Transition between characters of classical groups, decomposition of Gelfand-Tsetlin patterns, and last passage percolation
- 5 OCT 2018 | “Insalate di Matematica” seminar, **Università di Milano-Bicocca**
How long does it take to go through a series of N queues?

21 JUN 2018 | “Randomness and Symmetry” workshop, **University College Dublin**
Point-to-line polymers via orthogonal Whittaker and symplectic Schur functions

28 Nov 2017 | School of Mathematics and Statistics, **University College Dublin**
Point-to-line log-gamma polymers

OTHER SKILLS

LANGUAGES | Italian (native speaker)
English (fluent)
Spanish (fluent)
German (basic)
French (basic)

SOFTWARE | LaTeX
Matlab
Mathematica