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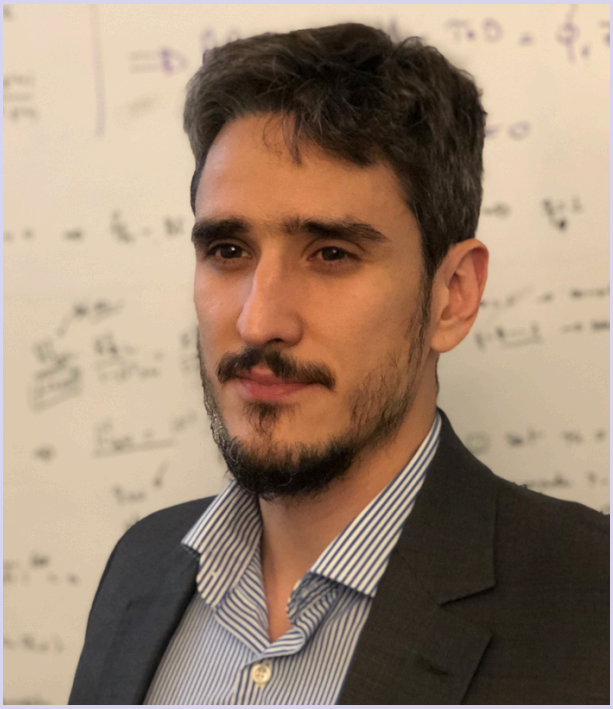
Graphical Models in AI: Discovery and Application

A Crash Course in Good and Bad Controls

December 11, 2026 at 1PM PCT

Adding a variable to a regression can create an unintended gap between the coefficient and the effect it is meant to represent — the problem of "bad controls." This online session will include the use of causal graphs (DAGs) to understand, visualize, and resolve the problem through a series of illustrative examples, with tools for telling good controls from bad ones. Please RSVP by clicking or scanning the QR code to attend the session.

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