



## Combinatorial Auctions (Paperback)

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MIT Press Ltd, United States, 2010. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. A synthesis of theoretical and practical research on combinatorial auctions from the perspectives of economics, operations research, and computer science. With a foreword by Vernon L. Smith, recipient of the 2002 Nobel Prize in Economics. The study of combinatorial auctions -- auctions in which bidders can bid on combinations of items or packages -- draws on the disciplines of economics, operations research, and computer science. This landmark collection integrates these three perspectives, offering a state-of-the-art survey of developments in combinatorial auction theory and practice by leaders in the field. Combinatorial auctions (CAs), by allowing bidders to express their preferences more fully, can lead to improved economic efficiency and greater auction revenues. However, challenges arise in both design and implementation. Combinatorial Auctions addresses each of these challenges. After describing and analyzing various CA mechanisms, the book addresses bidding languages and questions of efficiency. Possible strategies for solving the computationally intractable problem of how to compute the objective-maximizing allocation (known as the winner determination problem) are considered, as are questions of how to test alternative algorithms. The book discusses five important applications of CAs: spectrum auctions, airport takeoff and...



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