
Education

Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, USA

Aug.'2016 – Dec.'2020

Advisors: Prof. Berardi Sensale-Rodriguez and Prof. Rajesh Menon

B.Tech. in Electronics and Communication Engineering
West Bengal University of Technology, Kolkata, WB, India

Sept.'2010 – Jul.'2014

Professional Experience

Graduate Research Assistant
University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, USA

Sept.'2016-Present

Project: Computational Design of Optics & Nanophotonic Devices

Key Achievements:

- Developed an optimization algorithm (**GDABS**) which speeds up computation time ~10-100X times faster than previously used. (**Patented**)
- Developed fabrication error tolerant and efficient (>50%) planar THz/optical elements.
- Developed a machine-learning algorithm (**b-ARLA**) for optimization of nanophotonic circuits.

Selected Publications

- [1] M. Meem,* **S. Banerji**,* et.al. “Broadband lightweight flat lenses for longwave-infrared imaging”, **Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)**, Vol. 116, October 2019. (*equal contribution)
- [2] **S. Banerji**, et.al. “Imaging with flat optics: metalenses or diffractive lenses?” **Optica**, Vol.6, June 2019.
- [3] **S. Banerji**, et.al. “A computational design framework for efficient, fabrication error-tolerant, planar THz diffractive optical elements”, **Scientific Reports**, Vol.9, April 2019.

Selected Scientific Honors

Best Paper Award (Venue: OSA-COSI' 19) (2019)

Paper: “Metalenses or diffractive lenses for imaging?”

Best Student Paper Award (Runners Up) (Venue: IRMMW-THz' 18) (2018)

Paper: “Demonstration of Computational THz Diffractive Optical Elements Enabled by a Modified Direct Binary Search Technique”

Best Student Poster Award (Venue: SPSAS+SWIECA' 18) (2018)

Paper: “From Visible to THz: Planar Optics for High-Precision, Energy-Efficient Laser Applications”

Press and Media Interest

- [1] [New lens 20 times thinner than human hair set to replace camera bumps - Daily Mail UK](#)
- [2] [Engineers develop thin, lightweight lens that could produce slimmer camera phones, longer-flying drones - Science Daily](#)
- [3] [New lens design could lead to slimmer smartphones, longer-flying drones - The Times of India \(ET Telecom\)](#)

Professional Service

Member – SPIE, OSA, IEEE

Reviewer – IEEE Transactions on THz Science and Technology