

Ashok Rajaraman

Experience

- January 2016– **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, *Computational Biology Department, Carnegie Mellon University*.
Postdoctoral work with Jian Ma on models and algorithms for deconvolution and factorization problems in structural genomics, with focus on cancer genomics.
- May 2015– **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, *College of Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*.
December 2015 Postdoctoral work with Jian Ma on models and algorithms for problems in multiresolution reconstruction of ancestral genomes.
- January 2011– **Research Assistant**, *Department of Mathematics, Simon Fraser University*.
August 2012 Developing combinatorial optimization models for ancestral genome reconstruction and phylogenetics with Cédric Chauve.

Education

- 2015 **Doctor of Philosophy**, *Department of Mathematics, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC*.
Supervisor Cédric Chauve
Thesis title *Variants of the Consecutive Ones Property: Algorithms, Computational Complexity and Applications in Genomics*.
- 2011 **Master of Science**, *Department of Mathematics, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC*.
- 2009 **Bachelor of Technology**, *Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, Uttarakhand, India*.

Software Collaborations

- 2016 **MultiRes**, *Software for inferring ancestral gene orders using extant gene and synteny orders*.
- 2015 **DeClone**, *Software for the prediction of ancestral adjacencies in reconciled gene trees, with Cédric Chauve, Yann Ponty and João Zannetti*.
- 2013 **FPSAC**, *Fast Phylogenetic Scaffolding of Ancient Contigs, with Cédric Chauve and Eric Tannier*.
- 2012 **ANGES**, *Reconstructing ANcestral GENomeS maps, with Cédric Chauve, Bradley Jones and Eric Tannier*.

Academic Honours

- Michael Stevenson Graduate Scholarship (2014–2015)
- SFU President's PhD Scholarship (Spring 2014)
- PIMS International Graduate Training Centre Fellowship in Mathematical Biology (2012–2014)
- Faculty of Science Graduate Fellowship (Summers 2010, 2012–2014)
- Travel and Minor Research Award (Fall 2011, 2012)

Relevant skills

Experienced

- Python
- C++
- L^AT_EX

Used occasionally

- shell script
- MATLAB

Used sporadically

- perl
- R

References

On request.

Publications

- 2017 Rajaraman, A. and Ma, J. Towards recovering allele-specific cancer genome graphs. In S.C. Sahinalp, editor, *Research in Computational Molecular Biology: 21st Annual International Conference, RECOMB 2017, Hong Kong, China, May 3-7, 2017, Proceedings*, pages 224–240. Springer International Publishing, Cham, 2017.
- 2016 Rajaraman, A. and Ma, J. Reconstructing ancestral gene orders with duplications guided by synteny level genome reconstruction. *BMC Bioinformatics*, 17(14):201–212, 2016.
- Rajaraman, A., Zanetti, J.P.P., Mañuch, J., and Chauve, C. Algorithms and complexity results for genome mapping problems. *IEEE/ACM Transactions on Computational Biology and Bioinformatics*, PP(99):1–1, 2016.
- 2015 Neafsey, D.E., Waterhouse, R.M. et al. Highly evolvable malaria vectors: The genomes of 16 anopheles mosquitoes. *Science*, 347(6217),
- Rajaraman, A., Chauve, C., and Ponty, Y. Assessing the robustness of parsimonious predictions for gene neighborhoods from reconciled phylogenies. In *Bioinformatics Research and Applications - 11th International Symposium, ISBRA 2015, Norfolk, VA, USA, June 7-10, 2015 Proceedings*, pages 260–271.
- 2013 Chauve, C., Patterson, M., and Rajaraman, A. Hypergraph covering problems motivated by genome assembly questions. In *Combinatorial Algorithms - 24th International Workshop, IWOCA 2013, Rouen, France, July 10-12, 2013, Revised Selected Papers*, pages 428–432.
- Rajaraman, A., Tannier, E., and Chauve, C. FPSAC: Fast Phylogenetic Scaffolding of Ancient Contigs. *Bioinformatics*, 29(23):2987–2994,
- 2012 Jones, B.R., Rajaraman, A., Tannier, E., and Chauve, C. ANGES: Reconstructing ANcestral GENomeS maps. *Bioinformatics*, 28(18):2388–2390,

Invited Talks

- 2015 **PIMS Discrete Mathematics Seminar, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia.**
Vertex ordering problems for hypergraphs: Connections to the consecutive ones property.
- 2014 **Centre for Systems Genomics, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania.**
A simple scaffolding pipeline, with application to ancient genomes.
- 2013 **PIMS IGTC in Mathematical Biology Summit, Banff, Alberta.**
Scaffolding the genome of the Black Death agent.