# JEROME DINAL HERATH

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#### **EDUCATION**

State University of New York at Binghamton, USA

PhD in Computer Science GPA: 3.93/4.00

University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

January 2013 - January 2017 Bachelor of Science, Specialization in Computational Physics GPA: 3.66/4.00

Recipient of Dr. Sarath Gunapala Gold Medal for Computational Physics (2017)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## State University of New York at Binghamton, USA

August 2018 - Present

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Research done in fulfillment of PhD

- o Log-Anomaly-Mask: Designed a real-time adversarial evasion attack leveraging deep reinforcement learning to understand the robustness of deep learning based online anomaly detection from distributed system logs [CODASPY'21/Accepted]
- o RAMP: Built a real-time machine learning model designed for anomaly detection in a streaming multivariate time-series [BIGDATA'19]
- SciBlock: Investigated the potential use of Blockchain technology to improve the safety and reproducability of scientific research [CIC'19]

## State University of New York at Binghamton, USA

August 2017 - August 2018

Graduate Research Assistant

- Designed a Markovian model to understand the use of opportunistic routing in cached wireless networks [ICC'18, TVT'19]
- Designed a LSTM/GRU based sequence-to-sequence deep learning model for wireless signal strength prediction [ICC'19, TVT'20]

### TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Python and Matlab, Java, C (highest proficiency first) **Programming Languages** 

Modelling Experience Markovian modelling

Machine Learning (ML) ML for anomaly detection, deep learning, reinforcement learning

Deep Learning Frameworks Pytorch

Experience with Time series and graph data

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. "Real-Time Evasion Attacks against Deep Learning-Based Anomaly Detection from Distributed System Logs". By J. Dinal Herath, Ping Yang, Guanhua Yan. In: Proceedings of The 11th ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CODASPY-2021). [Accepted]
- 2. "RAMP: Real-Time Anomaly Detection in Scientific Workflows". By J. Dinal Herath, Changxin Bai, Guanhua Yan, Ping Yang, Shiyong Lu. In: IEEE International Conference on Big Data (Big Data-2019).

- 3. "SciBlock: A Blockchain-Based Tamper-Proof Non-Repudiable Storage for Scientific Workflow Provenance". By Dinuni Fernando, Siddharth Kulshrestha, J. Dinal Herath, Nitin Mahadik, Yanzhe Ma, Changxin Bai, Ping Yang, Guanhua Yan, Shiyong Lu. In: International Conference on Collaboration and Internet Computing (CIC-2019)
- 4. "Deep Channel: Wireless Channel Quality Prediction using Deep Learning". By Adita Kulkarni, Anand Seetharam, Arti Ramesh, J. Dinal Herath. In: IEEE Transactions in Vehicular Technology (TVT-2020)
- 5. "A Deep Learning Model for Wireless Channel Quality Prediction". By J. Dinal Herath, Anand Seetharam, Arti Ramesh. In: IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC-2019).
- 6. "A Markovian Model for Analyzing Opportunistic Request Routing in Wireless Cache Networks". By J. Dinal Herath and Anand Seetharam. In: IEEE Transactions in Vehicular Technology (TVT-2018).
- 7. "Analyzing Opportunistic Request Routing in Wireless Cache Networks". By J. Dinal Herath and Anand Seetharam. In: IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC-2018).

#### SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

## LAM (Log Anomaly Mask)

[CODASPY'21/Accepted]

- Log Anomaly Mask (LAM) is an adversarial evasion attack designed to evaluate the robustness of Deep Learning models used for anomaly detection from distributed system logs.
- Built leveraging Deep Reinforcement Learning, LAM is able to attack models in whitebox, graybox and blackbox scenarios.
- Attacks generated from LAM are imperceptible (~9.9% difference from original sample) and LAM can attack in an online fashion with low latency (~0.46 milliseconds).

## RAMP (Real-Time Aggregated Matrix Profile)

[BIGDATA'19]

- Real-Time Aggregated Matrix Profile (RAMP) is a machine learning model that is capable of identifying anomalies given a stream of multivariate time series data in real time.
- A semi-supervised model that has online training and provides insight into root causes of anomalies.
- Shows superior anomaly detection capability for both direct and adversarialy hidden attacks when experimented on scientific workflows running on Amazon EC2 Virtual Machines.

## **AWARDS**

#### Academic awards and Scholarships

- 1. Recipient of Dr. Sarath Gunapala Gold Medal for Computational Physics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (2017).
- 2. Recipient of MIND (Munasinghe Institute for Development) Scholarship, Sri Lanka (2015-2016).

#### **Travel Grants**

- 1. NSF funded student travel grant to attend IEEE International Conference on Collaboration and Internet Computing (CIC-2019).
- 2. Student travel grant to attend ACM/IEEE Symposium on Architectures for Networking and Communications (ANCS-2018).
- 3. NSF funded student travel grant to attend IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC-2018).