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Summary

Currently pursuing my Ph.D. in Computer Engineering under Dr. Dimitrios Koutsonikolas with a research focus on end-to-end performance, reliability, mobility, and performance consistency of 5G Cellular Networks.

EDUCATION

Northeastern University

Ph.D. in Computer Engineering

Boston, MA

Jan 2021 - May 2025(expected)

Carbondale, IL

Jan 2018 - July 2020

Dhaka, Bangladesh

July 2014

Masters of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

EXPERIENCE

Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Graduate Research Assistant

Jan 2021 - Present

- Worked on the project X5G: An Open, Programmable Platform to Conquer the 5G and 6G Wireless Spectrum. This project involved procuring the hardware and software necessary to build an 8-node O-RAN compliant 5G experimental testbed.
- Worked on performance evolution study of 5G networks. The first phase included developing an Android application to measure 5G bandwidth and latency for building and analyzing a year-long crowd-sourced dataset. The final phase involved analyzing a dataset provided by Ookla, comprising over 2.65 million mobile network measurements (4-year period) from around the world.
- Investigated the feasibility of predicting fine-grained throughput (100 ms granularity) in real-world cellular networks, integrating mixed LTE/5G technologies.
- o Conducted an in-depth measurement study on user-perceived experience, evaluating network coverage, performance, and quality of experience (QoE) for latency-sensitive 5G applications (e.g., AR, connected autonomous vehicles, 360° video streaming, and online gaming). The study involved analyzing low-level 5G metrics and signaling messages to correlate with application performance.
- o Employed bandwidth aggregation (802.11ad, 802.11ac, & Cellular) with MultiPath TCP on smartphones and exploring the impact on power consumption and resource utilization.
- Investigated the characteristics of 5G mm-Wave network for Single/Multi-user AR(Augmented Reality) applications.
- Conducted experiments and analysis with 60GHz devices (smartphones, laptops) and Access Points to understand the challenges of mm-Wave networks.

AT&T Labs. Inc

Boston, MA

Research Intern & External Collaborator

June 2021 - May 2022

• Investigated the impact on QoE of low-latency video streaming application over 5G networks

Publications

On the Predictability of Fine-grained Cellular Network Throughput using Machine Learning Models

Imran Khan*, Omar Basit*, Phuc Dinh*, Z. Jonny Kong*, Y. Charlie Hu, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas, Myungjin Lee, Chaoyue Liu. IEEE MASS 2024

- How Mature is 5G Deployment? A Cross-Sectional, Year-Long Study of 5G Uplink Performance. Imran Khan, Moinak Ghoshal, Joana Angjo, Sigrid Dimce, Mushahid Hussain, Paniz Parastar, Yenchia Yu, Claudio Fiandrino, Charalampos Orfanidis, Shivang Aggarwal, Ana C Aguiar, Ozgu Alay, Carla F. Chiasserini, Falko Dressler, Y. Charlie Hu, Steven Y. Kox, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas, Joerg Widmer. IFIP Networking 2024
- An Open, Programmable, Multi-vendor 5G O-RAN Testbed with NVIDIA ARC and OpenAirInterface.

Imran Khan*, D Villa*, Florian Kaltenberger, Nicholas Hedberg, Ruben Soares da Silva, Anupa Kelkar, Chris Dick, Stefano Basagni, Josep M Jornet, Tommaso Melodia, Michele Polese, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas. IEEE INFOCOM NG-OPERA, 2024

• An Experimental Study of Low-Latency Video Streaming over 5G.

Imran Khan*, Tuyen X. Tran, Matti Hiltunen, Theodore Karagioules, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas. *IEEE MeditCom 2024*

• Performance of Cellular Networks on the Wheels.

Imran Khan*, M. Ghoshal*, Z. Jonny Kong*, Phuc Dinh, Jiayi Meng, Y. Charlie Hu, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas. *ACM IMC*, 2023

• Can 5G mmWave Enable Edge-Assisted Real-Time Object Detection for Augmented Reality? Moinak Ghoshal, Z Jonny Kong, Qiang Xu, Zixiao Lu, Shivang Aggarwal, Imran Khan, Jiayi Meng, Yuanjie Li, Y Charlie Hu, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas *ACM IMC*, 2023

• Demo: NextG-up: a tool for measuring uplink performance of 5G networks.

Imran Khan*, Moinak Ghoshal*, Qiang Xu, Z. Jonny Kong, Y. Charlie Hu, and Dimitrios Koutsonikolas *ACM Mobisys*, 2022

• MuSher: An Agile Multipath-TCP Scheduler for Dual-Band 802.11ad/ac Wireless LANs. S. Aggarwal, S. K. Saha, Imran Khan, R. Pathak, D. Koutsonikolas and J. Widmer

IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking, 2022

• An In-Depth Study of Uplink Performance of 5G mmWave Networks.

Moinak Ghoshal, Z. Jonny Kong, Qiang Xu, Zixiao Lu, Shivang Aggarwal, **Imran Khan**, Yuanjie Li, Y. Charlie Hu, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas

ACM SIGCOMM 5G-MEMU, 2022

• Multipath TCP in Smartphones Equipped with Millimeter Wave Radios.

Imran Khan, Moinak Ghoshal, Shivang Aggarwal, Dimitrios Koutsonikolas, Joerg Widmer ACM WiNTECH, 2021

• Efficient Bandwidth Aggregation with MPTCP for Connected Vehicles.

Imran Khan, K. Chen

IEEE Internet of Things, 2021

• Bandwidth-need driven energy efficiency improvement of MPTCP users in wireless networks.

M. R. Palash, K. Chen, Imran Khan

IEEE Trans. Green Commun. Netw., 2019

• Towards Efficient, Work-Conserving, and Fair Bandwidth Guarantee in Cloud Datacenters.

B. S. Ali, K. Chen and Imran Khan

IEEE Access, 2019

Source Code and Dataset

- Dataset for Cross-Sectional, Year-Long Study of 5G Uplink Performance. [IFIP 2024]
- Dataset for Predictability of Fine-grained Cellular Network Throughput using Machine Learning Models. [IEEE MASS 2024]
- Dataset for 5G network performance on the wheels. [ACM IMC 2023]
- Android app NextG-UP app for a crowd-sourcing based measurement study of 5G uplink performance evolution.
- MPTCP source code for Pixel-5 Phone.
- \bullet MPTCP source code for an ROG Phone 2, from our WiNTECH 2021 paper.

SKILLS SUMMARY

- Languages: C, C++, Python, Android, Unix/Kernel Programming
- Tools: XCAL-Accuver (5G signaling message analysing tool), RuSIM, Spectrum Analyzer, Wireshark
- Protocols: TCP/MPTCP/UDP protocols and their implementation (Linux Source Codes), IEEE 802.11 ax/ad/ac/b/g/n standards, NR/LTE 3GPP standards

Honors and Awards

- Reviewer: Computer Networks 2024, IEEE Internet of Things 2024, IEEE GLOBECOM 2021, IEEE ICC 2024
- Web Chair: IEEE LANMAN 2024, WoWMoM 2023
- TPC Member: IEEE WCNC [2023, 2024]
- Got selected for NSF Funded Student travel grant for Mobicom'2021
- Got selected for NSF Funded POWDER Network and Wireless Week, Salt Lake City, Utah 2019