

Research Vision

My research focuses on advancing next-generation networks by optimizing spectrum resources to achieve high data rates, reliability, scalability, and practical deployments. I have particularly contributed in three areas:

- **Communication:** Develop innovative beamforming techniques (e.g., constructive multi-beams) to enhance reliable and scalable communication, particularly for mobile multi-user millimeter-wave networks.
- **Sensing:** Explore novel applications in wireless sensing, such as localization and tracking, leveraging existing infrastructure.
- **Security:** Investigate and mitigate security vulnerabilities (e.g., spoofing, jamming attacks) on wireless devices.

Education

- 2018 - 2024 **University of California San Diego, CA.**
PhD, Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA: 4.0
Advisor: Prof. Dinesh Bharadia
- 2016 - 2018 **New York University, Tandon School of Engineering, NY.**
MS, Electrical and Computer Engineering, GPA: 3.96
Advisor: Prof. Shiv Panwar
- 2012 - 2016 **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT Kanpur), India.**
Bachelors of Technology (B.Tech.), Electrical Engineering, GPA: 9.5 (out of 10)

Professional Experience

- June-Sep 2022 **VMware, Palo Alto, CA, USA.**
Mentor: Dr. Rakesh Misra
◦ Designed and patented a near-real-time application (xApps) with VMware RIC in Open-RAN framework.
- June-Aug 2017 **Nokia Bell Labs, Murray Hill, NJ, USA.**
Mentor: Dr. Özge Kaya
◦ Developed a Reinforcement Learning-based beam management scheme for mobile mmWave links, demonstrating 60% efficiency improvement over a baseline on a real-world mobility dataset.

Awards and Honors

- Best Poster Runner-up, Hotmobile 2023.
- VMware intern achievement award with \$240,000 research grant 2022–23.
- Qualcomm Innovation Fellowship winner \$100,000 research grant 2022–23.
- Winner of 3-minute research talk competition at ACM Mobisys'20, Mobicom'21, Mobicom'22.
- Commencement award for the best graduate student service in ECE, UC San Diego, May 2021.
- Commencement award for the best MS Academic Achievement in ECE, New York University, May 2019.
- Commencement award (Motorola Gold Medalist) for the best all-round performance in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, IIT Kanpur, May 2016.
- Travel grant for MobiCom New Delhi 2018, Hotmobile CA 2023, Infocom NY 2023.
- Samuel Morse MS Fellowship (\$100,000 financial support), New York University, 2016–2018.
- Secured All India Rank 390 (amongst 0.5 million students) in IIT–Joint Entrance Exam 2012.

Publications

- Under Submission **CommRad: Collaborative Learning for Sensing-Driven mmWave Networks**
IK Jain, Suriyaa MM, D Bharadia
- Hotmobile 2024 **BeamArmor: Anti-Jamming in 5G Cellular Networks with MIMO Null-steering**
F Zumegen, **IK Jain**, D Bharadia (to appear)
- IEEE Infocom 2023 **mmFlexible: Flexible Directional Frequency Multiplexing for Multi-user mmWave Networks**
IK Jain, RR Vennam, R Subbaraman, D Bharadia – **Media coverage**

- IEEE S&P 2023 mmSpoof: Resilient Spoofing of Automotive Millimeter-wave Radars using Reflect Array
IEEE Security and Privacy 2023.
RR Vennam, **IK Jain**, K Bansal, J Orozco, P Shukla, A Ranganathan, D Bharadia – **Media coverage**
- WPMC 2022 VRProj: Delivering 360-degree video with Viewport-adaptive Truncation
International Symposium on Wireless Personal Multimedia Communications (WPMC) 2022.
T Qiu, **IK Jain**, R Wu, P Cosman, D Bharadia
- HotCarbon 2022 Multiple smaller base stations are greener than a single powerful one: Densification of Wireless Cellular Networks,
ACM HotCarbon Workshop 2022
A Gupta, **IK Jain**, D Bharadia
- SIGCOMM 2021 [mmReliable] Two beams are better than one: Towards Reliable and High Throughput mmWave Links
IK Jain, R Subbaraman, D Bharadia – **Media coverage**
- ACM mmNets 2020 mMobile: Building a mmWave Testbed to Evaluate and Address Mobility Effects
4th ACM Workshop on Millimeter-Wave Networks and Sensing Systems (Mobicom Workshop), 2020.
IK Jain, R Subbaraman, TH Sadarahalli, X Shao, H Lin, D Bharadia
- Usenix NSDI 2020 LocAP: Autonomous Millimeter Accurate Mapping of WiFi Infrastructure
R Ayyalasomayajula, A Arun, C Wu, S Rajagopalan, S Ganesaraman, A Seetharaman, **IK Jain**, D Bharadia
- MDPI Journal 2019 Extreme Multiclass Classification Criteria, *MDPI Computation Journal*, 2019.
A Choromanska, **IK Jain**
- IEEE JSAC 2018 The Impact of Mobile Blockers on Millimeter Wave Cellular Systems
IEEE Journal on selected areas in communications (JSAC), 2018
IK Jain, R Kumar, S Panwar
- IEEE ITC 2018 Driven by Capacity or Blockage? A Millimeter-wave Blockage Analysis
IEEE International Teletraffic Congress (ITC) 2018
IK Jain, R Kumar, S Panwar – **Invited paper**

Posters/ Demos

- Milcom 2023 [Demo] BeamArmor: Anti-Jamming System in Cellular Networks with srsRAN Software Radios
F Zumegen, **IK Jain**, D Bharadia
- Mobicom 2023 [Demo] A Compact and Real-Time Millimeter-wave Experiment Framework with True Mobility Capabilities
IK Jain, S MM, D Bharadia
- Hotmobile 2023 [Poster] Delay Phased Arrays: Towards programmable beam-bandwidth for 5G networks
IK Jain, RR Vennam, D Bharadia – **Best Poster Runner-up**
- Mobicom S3 2021 Demo and dataset for mmWave multi-beam tracking using mMobile 28 GHz testbed
IK Jain, R Subbaraman, D Bharadia
- MobiCom 2018 [Poster] Facilitating Low Latency and Reliable VR over Heterogeneous Wireless Networks
A Ravichandran, **IK Jain**, R Hegazy, T Wei, D Bharadia

Selected Patents

- US Patent (provisional) A platform for xApp development with RAN intelligent controller
R Misra, **IK Jain**, et al., inventors from VMware.
- US Patent (granted) Enabling Reliable Mmwave Link Using Multi-Beam Pro-Active Tracking.
D Bharadia, **IK Jain**, R Subbaraman, T Sadarahalli
- US Patent (granted) Enable Indoor Navigation with Context assisted Localization
D Bharadia, R Ayyalasomayajula, A Arun, C Wu, S Rajagopalan, S Ganesaraman, A Seetharaman, **IK Jain**

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Teaching Assistant.

- WI 2021,23 ECE 257B- Modern Wireless Communication (Graduate) – best TA 10/10 rating.
Spring 2020 ECE 157B- Communication and Sensing Systems (Undergraduate) – helped design a new class.
Spring 2018 EEE 9123- Introduction to Machine Learning (Graduate).
Fall 2017 EEUY 4563- Introduction to Machine Learning (Undergraduate) – helped design a new class.
Spring 2017 ELGY 6373- Internet Architecture and Protocols Lab (Graduate).

Mentorship, I mentored three PhD students and eight BS/MS students at UC San Diego. I have mentored historically underrepresented and underprivileged students.

Leadership

- 2021–2022 **The Marconi Society**, *Scholar in Residence*.
Served as a student scholar for facilitating the Marconi Society meetings with the chair Vint Cerf and other prominent scientists, engineers, and policymakers.
- 2021–2022 **Escribamos Ciencia K12 team**, *UC San Diego*.
Developed interesting science modules and videos for K12 students on topics such as electricity, internet, nuclear power, etc., under guidance of Prof. Olivia Graeve.
- 2020–2022 **Jacobs Undergraduate Mentorship Program**, *UC San Diego*.
Mentored underprivileged students through lab tours, industry talks, panel discussions, technical workshops, etc., and bridged the communication gap between undergraduates and graduate students.
- 2020–2021 **O.W.L Reading group**, *Inter-continental collaboration*.
Founded in Fall 2020 as a small group of Ph.D. students interested in research talks and discussion on recent conference papers and has grown over 100+ members in a year.
- 2019–2021 **Vice President, ECE graduate student council**, *UC San Diego*.
Responsible for providing communication between ECE students and the ECE department and organizing seminars and student mentorship programs.

Services

- 2023 **Co-chair**.
ACM Mobicom S3 Workshop 2023, co-chair
ACM Mobicom mmNets 2023, publicity chair
- 2021–2022 **Technical Program Committee (TPC)**.
ACM Mobicom S3 Workshop 2021
IEEE WCNC 2022
- 2019–2023 **Artifact Evaluation Committee (AEC)**.
ACM Sigcomm 2023
ACM Mobicom 2023
ACM CoNEXT 2019
- 2019–2023 **Technical Reviews**.
IEEE Transactions on Communications (TCOM) 2023
IEEE Transactions Vehicular Technology (TVT) 2019-23
IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (TNET) 2023
IEEE Access 2021-23
IEEE Comm Letter 2022-23
IEEE JSAC 2023
IEEE WCNC 2022-23
- 2021–2022 **Lead organizer and moderator**.
Sigcomm'21 Social Trivia Organizer
COMSNETS'22 Panel Moderator