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## EDUCATION

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### Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

- Ph.D.**, Electrical Engineering Sept 2007 – Aug 2012  
Thesis Title: Generative Models of Brain Connectivity for Population Studies  
Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Polina Golland  
GPA: 5.0/5.0
- M. Eng.**, Electrical Engineering Sept 2006 – Sept 2007  
Thesis Title: Signal Approximation using the Bilinear Transform  
Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Alan V. Oppenheim  
GPA: 5.0/5.0
- S.B.**, Electrical Engineering Sept 2003 – June 2006  
Concentration: Communications, Controls and Signal Processing  
GPA: 5.0/5.0

## RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Yale Image Processing & Analysis Group, New Haven CT** Jan 2014 – Present  
Faculty Supervisor: Prof. James S. Duncan
  - *Characterizing Functional Networks in Autism*
  - *Multi-modal EEG/fMRI Image Analysis*
- MIT Medical Vision Group, Cambridge MA** Jan 2008 – Dec 2013  
Faculty Supervisor: Prof. Polina Golland
  - *Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*
  - *Generative Models for Combined Analysis of fMRI and DWI Data*
  - *Robust Feature Selection in fMRI for Patient Classification*
  - *Data-Driven Functional Connectivity Analysis*
- MIT Digital Signal Processing Group, Cambridge MA** Jan 2006 – Sept 2007  
Faculty Supervisor: Prof. Alan V. Oppenheim
  - *Signal Approximation using the Bilinear Transform*
- MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Lexington MA** June 2006 – Aug 2006  
Advanced Sensor Techniques Group  
Supervisor: Dr. Andrew McKellips
  - *Adaptive IIR Nulling Solution for a Sparse Non-Commutative Environment*
- MIT Microsystems Technology Laboratory, Cambridge MA** Sept 2004 – Jan 2006  
Faculty Supervisor: Prof. Anantha P. Chandrakasan
  - *A Low-Power Integrated Switched-Capacitor DC-DC Power Converter*
  - *A Low-Power Sensing Front End (w/Naveen Verma)*
- Xerox Corporation, Rochester NY** June 2004 – Aug 2004  
*XCEL Summer Internship Program*
  - *Developed software additions for an online hardware management tool*
- MIT Nanostructures Laboratory, Cambridge MA** Sept 2003 – June 2004  
Faculty Supervisor: Prof. Henry I. Smith
  - *Fabrication of a 2D Photonic Crystal (w/Minghao Qi)*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant, Information & Inference (6.437, MIT)

Feb 2011 – May 2011

- Graduate-level course satisfying TQE (technical qualifying evaluation) requirement
- TA Responsibilities: teaching weekly recitation, writing and grading exams, compiling and distributing HW assignments, office hours

### Instructor, Eta Kappa Nu (MIT)

Jan 2006

- Co-developed an introductory signals and systems course for underclassmen
- Taught four classes, each one lasting for three hours

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

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- A. Venkataraman**, J. Wu, S. van Noordt, M.J. Larson, M. South, M.J. Crowley. *Medial Frontal Theta Oscillations Linked to Differential Feedback Processing in High-Functioning Autism*. In Preparation for Brain & Cognition, 2015.
- A. Venkataraman**, D. Yang, K.A. Pelphrey and J.S. Duncan. *Bayesian Community Detection in the Space of Group-Level Functional Differences*. Under Revision for IEEE Trans Medical Imaging, pp. 1-19, 2015.
- A. Venkataraman**, J.S. Duncan, D. Yang and K.A. Pelphrey. *An Unbiased Bayesian Approach to Functional Connectomics Implicates Social-Communication Networks in Autism*. NeuroImage Clin, 8:356-366, 2015.
- A. Venkataraman**, M. Kubicki and P. Golland. *From Brain Connectivity Models to Region Labels: Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*. IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, 32(11):2078-2098, 2013.
- A. Venkataraman**, T.J. Whitford, C-F. Westin, P. Golland and M. Kubicki. *Whole Brain Resting State Functional Connectivity Abnormalities in Schizophrenia*. Schizophrenia Research, 139(1-3):7-12, 2012.
- A. Venkataraman**, Y. Rathi, M. Kubicki, C-F. Westin and P. Golland. *Joint Modeling of Anatomical and Functional Connectivity for Population Studies*. IEEE Trans on Medical Imaging, 31(2):164-182, 2012.
- K.R.A. Van Dijk, T.Hedden, **A. Venkataraman**, K.C. Evans, S.W. Lazar and R.L. Buckner. *Intrinsic Functional Connectivity As a Tool For Human Connectomics: Theory, Properties, and Optimization*. Journal of Neurophysiology, 103(1):297-321, 2010.

## PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

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- A. Venkataraman**, D. Yang, K.A. Pelphrey and J.S. Duncan. *Community Detection in the Space of Functional Abnormalities Reveals both Heightened and Reduced Brain Synchrony in Autism*. In Proc. Bayesian and Graphical Models for Biomedical Imaging, pp. 1-12, 2015.
- A. Sweet\*, **A. Venkataraman\***, S.M. Stuffelbeam, H. Liu, N. Tanaka and P. Golland. *Detecting Epileptic Regions Based on Global Brain Connectivity Patterns*. In Proc. MICCAI: International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, LNCS 8149:98-105, 2013.
- A. Venkataraman**, M. Kubicki and P. Golland. *From Brain Connectivity Models to Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*. In Proc. MICCAI: International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, LNCS 7510:697-704, 2012.
- A. Venkataraman**, Y. Rathi, M. Kubicki, C-F. Westin and P. Golland. *Joint Generative Model for fMRI/DWI and its Application to Population Studies*. In Proc. MICCAI: International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, LNCS 6361:191-199, 2010.
- A. Venkataraman**, M. Kubicki, C-F. Westin and P. Golland. *Robust Feature Selection in Resting-State fMRI Connectivity Based on Population Studies*. In Proc. MMBIA: IEEE Computer Society Workshop on Mathematical Methods in Biomedical Image Analysis: 63-70, 2010.
- A. Venkataraman**, K.R.A Van Dijk, R.L. Buckner and P. Golland. *Exploring Functional Connectivity in fMRI via Clustering*. In Proc. ICASSP: IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, 441-444, 2009.

P. Golland, D. Lashkari and **A. Venkataraman**. *Spatial Patterns and Functional Profiles for Discovering Structure in fMRI Data*. Invited paper. In Proc. Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems and Computers, 1402-1409, 2008.

**A. Venkataraman** and A.V. Oppenheim, *Signal Approximation using the Bilinear Transform*, In Proc. ICASSP: IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, 3729-3732, 2008.

## CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

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**A. Venkataraman**, James S. Duncan, Daniel Y.-J. Yang and Kevin A. Pelphrey. *Abnormal Functional Communities in Autism*. Submitted to IMFAR: Intl Meeting For Autism Research, 2016.

G. Rosenblau, **A. Venkataraman**, B. Vander Wyk and Kevin A. Pelphrey. *Developmental Trajectories of Social and Nonsocial Cooperation*. Submitted to IMFAR: Intl Meeting For Autism Research, 2016.

**A. Venkataraman**, James S. Duncan, Daniel Y.-J. Yang and Kevin A. Pelphrey. *An Unbiased Bayesian Approach to Functional Connectomics Implicates Social-Communication Networks in Autism*. ISBI: International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, 2015.

Sinan Zhao, **Archana Venkataraman**, Peipeng Liang and Gopikrishna Deshpande. *Investigating the Role of Brain Stem in Alzheimers Disease using Directional Brain Networks derived from Resting State fMRI*, 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of ISMRM, May 2015.

**A. Venkataraman**, M. Kubicki and P. Golland. *From Brain Connectivity Models to Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Conference on Resting State Brain Connectivity, Sept 2012.

**A. Venkataraman**, K.R.A Van Dijk, R.L. Buckner and P. Golland. *Exploring Functional Connectivity in fMRI via Clustering*, Annual Meeting of the Organization of Human Brain Mapping, June 2009.

## RESEARCH FUNDING

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**R21 MH109880** PI: Venkataraman 04/01/16 – 03/31/18  
**Deciphering Autism Spectrum Disorder via Multimodal Image Fusion**  
Agency: National Institute of Mental Health  
Total Funding Amount: \$275,000 over 2 years  
*Under Review by CPDD Study Section*

**R01 HD083881** Joint PI: Sukhodolsky, Pelphrey 12/01/2015 – 11/30/2020  
**Neural Mechanisms of CBT for Anxiety in Autism**  
Agency: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
Total Funding Amount: \$2,033,960 over 5 years  
Role: Co-Investigator (20% effort)  
*Awaiting Advisory Council Notification*

**K99 MH105590 (Mentored Award)** PI: Venkataraman Release Date: 04/01/15  
**Deciphering Autism Spectrum Disorder via Multimodal Image Fusion**  
Agency: National Institute of Mental Health  
Total Funding Amount: \$983,200 over 5 years  
*Impact Score: 37 – Resubmitted as Independent R21*

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| CHDI Grant, Network Models of Brain Connectivity for Huntington's Disease | 2013 – 2014 |
| MIT Lincoln Lab Campus Collaboration Award                                | 2012 – 2014 |
| Advanced Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program (NIH)                   | 2011 – 2012 |
| National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship (NDSEG)      | 2007 – 2010 |
| MICCAI Student Travel Award (\$500)                                       | Sept 2010   |
| Siebel Scholarship (\$20,000)   | 2007 – 2008 |
| MIT Provost Presidential Fellowship                                       | 2006 – 2007 |
| Morris Joseph Levin Award, Best Thesis Presentation (M.Eng.)              | May 2007    |

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| Association of MIT Alumnae, Senior Academic Achievement Award (\$500)      | May 2006    |
| Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship (\$10,000)                            | Jan 2006    |
| Maletta Foundation Scholarship, Rochester Engineering Society (\$2500)     | Jan 2005    |
| Semiconductor Research Corporation Undergraduate Research Award (\$18,000) | 2004 – 2005 |
| Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship (\$2,500)                             | Dec 2004    |
| National Merit Scholarship (\$2,500)                                       | Sept 2003   |

## TECHNICAL PRESENTATIONS

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### Invited Talks

- International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, Brooklyn NY (April 2015)  
*An Unbiased Bayesian Approach to Functional Connectomics Implicates Soc-Comm Networks in Autism*
- Image Processing Conference at SPIE Medical Imaging, San Diego CA (Feb 2014)  
Johns Hopkins, MIT IMES, UT Austin, MIT Lincoln Laboratory (Jan-June 2013)  
*Characterizing Abnormal Brain Networks*
- Laboratory for Mathematical Imaging, Harvard & Rising Stars Workshop, MIT (Nov 2012)  
*From Brain Connectivity Models to Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*
- MIT Lincoln Laboratory, Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging, Yale University (Oct-June 2012)  
*Generative Models of Brain Connectivity for Population Studies*
- Neurospin, Paris, France (July 2011)  
*Joint Modeling of Anatomical and Functional Connectivity for Population Studies*

### Conference and Workshop Oral Presentations

- Bayesian and graphical Models for Biomedical Imaging (Oct 2015)  
*Comm Detection in the Space of Functional Abnormalities Reveals Abnormal Brain Synchrony in Autism*
- International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (Sept 2013)  
*Detecting Epileptic Regions Based on Global Brain Connectivity Patterns*
- International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (Oct 2012)  
*From Brain Connectivity Models to Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*
- International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (Sept 2010)  
*Joint Generative Model for fMRI/DWI and its Application to Population Studies*
- Masterworks Symposium, MIT (May 2007) **Won Best Thesis Presentation Award**  
M.Eng. Thesis Work: *Signal Approximation Using the Bilinear Transform*

### Poster Presentations

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Conference on Resting State Brain Connectivity (Sept 2012)  
*From Brain Connectivity Models to Identifying Foci of a Neurological Disorder*
- IEEE Computer Society Workshop on Mathematical Methods in Biomedical Image Analysis (June 2010)  
*Robust Feature Selection in Resting-State fMRI Connectivity Based on Population Studies*
- Annual Meeting of the Organization of Human Brain Mapping (June 2009)  
IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (April 2009)  
*Exploring Functional Connectivity in fMRI via Clustering*
- IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (April 2008)  
*Signal Approximation Using the Bilinear Transform*
- Interconnect Focus Center Design Review, Atlanta, GA (Nov 2005)  
*An Integrated Low-Power Switched-Capacitor DC-DC Power Converter*

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Editor** for “Computational Diffusion MRI & Brain Connectivity” (Springer *Mathematics & Visualization*, 2013)

**Organizer** for “Mathematical Models for Brain Connectivity” (MICCAI Workshop, 2013)

**Reviewer** for the IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, NeuroImage, the International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, the IEEE Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, the European Conference on Computer Vision and Neuroinformatics

Siebel Scholar (2007 – Present)

IEEE Member (2006 – Present)

MICCAI Society Member (2008 – Present)  
Tau Beta Pi, Engineering Honor Society (2006 – Present)  
Eta Kappa Nu, EE Honor Society (2006 – Present)  
National Society of Collegiate Scholars (2006 – Present)

## NON-PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP ROLES

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| Ashdown Residential Scholar Coordinator (MIT)                             | June 2009 – June 2010 |
| President, Ashdown House Executive Committee (MIT)                        | June 2008 – June 2009 |
| Living Things Officer, Ashdown House (MIT)                                | Jan 2006 – June 2008  |
| Boston Open Committee, International Badminton Tournament (Cambridge, MA) | Sept 2004 – June 2008 |
| Honor Society Chair Positions (MIT)                                       | Feb 2006 – Apr 2007   |
| Treasurer and Co-Captain, MIT Badminton Club                              | June 2005 – June 2006 |

## REFERENCES

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