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Interests

Design, analysis and applications of algorithms, Machine Learning, Optimization, Probability

EDUCATION

University of Maryland, College Park

Started September 2014

PhD. in Computer Science

Advisor: Dr. Aravind Srinivasan

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

July 2014

B.Tech Honours in Computer Science and Engineering

Minor: Operations Research

Thesis: Maximum Flow Problem in Undirected Graphs

Advisor: Dr. N.S. Narayanaswamy

Publications

• Yi-Chin Wu, Karthik Abinav Sankararaman, Stèphane Lafortune "Ensuring Privacy in Location-Based Services: An Approach Based on Opacity Enforcement", Proc. of the 14th International Workshop of Discrete Event Systems, pages 33-38, 2014

Manuscripts

- Brian Brubach, **Karthik A Sankararaman**, Aravind Srinivasan, Pan Xu "New Algorithms, Better Bounds, and a Novel Model for Online Stochastic Matching", *Under Submission*
- Karthik Abinav, Saikrishna Badrinarayanan, C. Pandu Rangan, S. Sharmila Deva Selvi, S. Sree Vivek, Vivek Krishna Pradhan "A Revocable Online-Offline Certificateless Signature Scheme without Pairing", Cryptology ePrint Archive, Report 2013/758, 2013

Honors

- Dean's Fellowship: University of Maryland, 2014, 2015
- \bullet Recipient of the S.N. Bose Scholarship 2013 given to $\bf top~50$ Indian students.
- Awardee of the National Talent Search Examination(NTSE) Scholarship.
- 14th and 16th position in ICPC Mid-Atlantic regionals 2014 and ICPC Asia-Amritapuri regionals 2013 respectively.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Stochastic Optimization, Algorithm Design

August 2014 - Present

University of Maryland, College Park

Joint work with Brian Brubach, Pan Xu, Aravind Srinivasan

Working on multiple problems such as Matching in Ad-allocation, Stochastic Matching, improving certain concentration bounds, optimization in the context of harnessing solar power

Algorithms for Maximum Flow,

Graph Sparsification and related problems

Aug 2013 - Aug 2014

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras Area of Work: Graph Theory, Convex Optimization Joint work with Narayanaswamy N.S.

Privacy in Location Based Services

May - July 2013

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Area of Work: Cyber Security

Leint work with Vi Chin Wu, Stèphane

Joint work with Yi-Chin Wu, Stèphane Lafortune

Revocable Online-Offline Signature Scheme without

January - April 2013 Bilinear Pairing

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

Area of Work: Cryptography

Joint work with Saikrishna Badrinarayanan, C. Pandu Rangan, Sharmila Devi, Sree Vivek

Teaching EXPERIENCE Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland

CMSC250 - Discrete Structures, CMSC131- Intro to Programming

Responsibilities: Conducting Discussion Sessions, Office Hours, Grading Homeworks and Exams

Teaching Assistant, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

Paradigms of Programming

Responsibilities: Grading Programming Assignments

Professional EXPERIENCE

Adobe Inc., San Jose, CA

May-August 2015

Data Scientist Intern with Algorithms Team in Digital Marketing

Responsibilities: Designed and implemented algorithms for Entity Resolution problem which helped multiple Adobe teams obtain cleaner source of data and reducing human efforts.

HyperVerge Technologies, Chennai

May-July 2014

Area of Work: Computer Vision, IOS application, PhoneGap

Responsibilities: Developed a mobile application for a pre-startup to help get initial investors and technical mentors onboard

Teritree Technology Pvt. Ltd, Bengaluru

May-July 2012

Area of Work: Natural Language Processing, Databases

Responsibilities: Designed and implemented a recommendation system for an early stage VC-funded startup

CLASS PROJECTS Lower Bounds for Fault Tolerant Facility Placement

Problem Fall 2014

Class: Algorithmic Lower Bounds

Joint work with Thomas Pensyl, Bartosz Rybicki, Mohammad Taqhi Hajiaqhayi(Instructor)

Relation between recursive teaching dimension and VC dimension

Fall 2015

Class: Machine Learning

Joint work with Sina Dehghani, Neal Gupta, Aravind Srinivasan(Instructor)

Community detection in Public-Private Graph models

Fall 2015

Class: Network Design

Joint work with Brian Brubach, Soheil Ehsani, Mohammad Taqhi Hajiaqhayi(Instructor)

Miscellaneous

Ball Following robot

ACTIVITIES

Center for Innovation, IIT Madras

Prototype of a 3D Mouse

Finalist Industrial Defined Problems Challenge, General Electric, 20111

Service

External Reviewer: Transactions on Algorithms(TALG)

Graduate Admissions Comittee: Department of Computer Science, UMD, 2016

Graduate Coursework University of Maryland, College Park: Algorithmic Lower Bounds, Logic and Artificial Intelligence, Randomized Algorithms, Statistical Learning for Biology, Machine Learning, Network Design Algorithms, Convex Optimization, Computational Journalism

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras: Complexity Theory, Approximation Algorithms, Algorithmic Algebra, Cryptography, Natural Language Processing, Convex Optimization, Theory Toolkit, Communication Complexity

C/C++, Java, Python, R, Lisp, Prolog, LATEX, x86-Assembly Programming