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## EDUCATION

Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana

Aug 2016-Aug 2021

Ph.D., School of Industrial Engineering

*Dissertation: “Variational Inference for Data-Driven Stochastic Programming”*

Committee: Dr. Harsha Honnappa, Dr. Vinayak A. Rao, Dr. Raghu Pasupathy,  
Dr. Gesualdo Scutari, and Dr. J. George Shanthikumar

Indian Institute of Technology, Patna, India

Aug 2008- May 2012

B. Tech. in Mechanical Engineering

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Bandits & reinforcement learning • Data-driven decision making • Stochastic optimization • Bayesian Statistics • Machine learning • Large deviations analysis • Causal Inference

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. Jaiswal, P., Pati, D.; Bhattacharya, A.; and Mallick, B.K. “Generalized Regret Analysis of Thompson Sampling using Fractional Posteriors”, *Submitted*.  
**Finalist (top 4) at INFORMS 2022 Data Mining Best Paper Competition (General Track)**  
**2022 Joe Newton Best Poster Award at Conference on Advances in Data Science: Theory, Methods and Computation**
2. Jaiswal, P., Rao, V.A.; and Honnappa, H. “Asymptotic Consistency of  $\alpha$ -Rényi-Approximate Posteriors”, *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, (156):1- 42, 2020.
3. Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Asymptotic Consistency of Loss-calibrated Variational Bayes”, *Stat 9*, no. 1 (2020): e258.
4. Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Bayesian Joint Chance Constrained Optimization: Approximations and Statistical Consistency”, *SIAM Journal of Optimization*, Vol. 33, No. 3, pp. 1968–1995  
*Shorter version published in Proceedings of The 2nd Symposium on Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference, PMLR 118:1-12, 2020.*
5. Jaiswal, P., and Honnappa, H. ‘Statistical Inference for Approximate Bayesian Optimal Design’. In *Proceedings of the 2020 Winter Simulation Conference, Piscataway, NJ, 2020. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.*
6. Wang R., Jaiswal, P., and Honnappa, H. ‘Estimating Stochastic Poisson Intensities Using Deep Latent Models’. In *Proceedings of the 2020 Winter Simulation Conference, Piscataway, NJ, 2020. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.*

7. Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Risk-sensitive Variational Bayes: Formulation and Bounds”, *Under submission*.  
*Shorter version accepted at NeurIPS 2019 workshop on Safety and Robustness in Decision Making.*
8. Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Pasupathy, R. ‘Optimal Allocations for Sample Average Approximation’. In *Proceedings of the 2018 Winter Simulation Conference, Piscataway, NJ, 2018. Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.*
9. Jaiswal, P. and Larson, J. “Multistart Algorithm for Identifying All Optima of a Nonconvex Stochastic Oracle”. *Under review at Optimization Letters.*

## WORKING PAPERS

10. Honnappa, H., Pasupathy, R ; and Jaiswal, P. “Dominating Points of Gaussian Extremes”, *Under major revision at Journal/Advances in Applied Probability.*
11. Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Variational Inference for Diffusion Modulated Cox Processes”,

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/ POSTERS

- Jaiswal, P., Pati, D.; Bhattacharya, A.; and Mallick, B.K. “Generalized Regret Analysis of Thompson Sampling using Fractional Posteriors” - *INFORMS Annual Meeting - Oct 2022.*
- Jaiswal, P., Pati, D.; Bhattacharya, A.; and Mallick, B.K. “Generalized Regret Analysis of Thompson Sampling using Fractional Posteriors” - *TTIC Summer Workshop: New Models in Online Decision Making for Real-World Applications - July 2022.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H. “Statistical Inference for Approximate Bayesian Optimal Design”, *Winter Simulation Conference (Virtual)- Dec 2020.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H. “Variational Inference for Bayes Optimal Design”, *INFORMS Annual Meeting (Virtual) - Nov 2020.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Variational Inference for Risk-Sensitive Decision-Making”, *NeurIPS Workshop on Safety and Robustness in Decision Making - Dec 2019.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Variational Bayesian method for Stochastically Constrained System Design Problem”, *INFORMS Annual Meeting - Oct 2019.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Variational Bayesian method for Stochastically Constrained System Design Problem”, *The 13<sup>th</sup> Young European Queueing Theorists (YEQT) workshops, EURANDOM, TU Eindhoven, The Netherlands - Oct 2019.*
- Jaiswal, P., Honnappa, H., and Rao, V.A. “Variational Bayes for Data-Driven Newsvendor Problem”, *Conference on Data Science for Business and Economics, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, USA - May 2018.*

## EXPERIENCE

- **Postdoctoral Research Associate, TAMU-FIDS & Department of Statistics, Texas A&M University**, Sep 2021-present. Advisors: Dr. Bani K. Mallick, Dr. Anirban Bhattacharya, Dr. Debdeep Pati

- **Graduate Research Assistant, Stochastic Systems Lab, Purdue University**, May 2017 - May 2020. Advisors: Dr. Harsha Honnappa and Dr. Vinayak A. Rao
- **Givens Associate, Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL**, May 2020 - Aug 2020. PI: Dr. Mohan Krishnamoorthy
- **Givens Associate, Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL**, May 2019 - Aug 2019. PI: Dr. Jeffrey M. Larson
- **Assistant Manager, Bharat Petroleum Corp. Ltd. (BPCL), India**, July 2012 - Jul 2016.
- **Research Assistant, CACM, University of Auckland, NZ**, May - July. 2011.  
PI: Prof. Debes Bhattacharyya

## SKILLS

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Python (Pacakges: PyTorch, SciPy, NumPy, scikit-learn) • Matlab (Toolboxes: Deep Learning, Optimization, SIMOPT, Statistical and Machine Learning) • R (Statistical and optimization packages ) •  $\text{\LaTeX}$ / MS-Office • C/C++ • Version Control (Git, Bitbucket) • High Performance Computing (Clusters: Purdue RCAC- Brown and Argonne National Lab- Powell )

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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Journal Reviewer: JMLR, JASA, and IISE Transactions

Conference Reviewer: ICML, NeurIPS, and AISTATS

## AWARDS

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- Finalist (top 4) at INFORMS 2022 Data Mining Best Paper Competition (General Track)
- Joe Newton Best Poster Award at 2022 Conference on Advances in Data Science: Theory, Methods and Computation
- Awarded Sustainable Horizons Institute grant to attend the SIAM CSE21 conference and Broader Engagement (BE) program.
- Awarded PGSG Travel grant to attend INFORMS 2020 and NeurIPS 2020.