

# PREM S SEETHARAMAN

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## EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL  
PhD Candidate, Computer Science - in progress  
MS, Computer Science - 2015  
BS, Computer Science, Music Composition - 2013

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

audio source separation, human computer interaction, creativity support tools, multimedia information retrieval, music structure and theory, machine learning

## WORK

### Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Doctoral Student in Interactive Audio Lab

2013 - Present

Working with Professor Bryan Pardo on problems in audio source separation, music information retrieval, and human computer interaction.

### Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Teaching Assistant

2014 - Present

### Mitsubishi Electric Research Labs, Cambridge, MA

Research Intern

2018

Developed cutting-edge machine learning and signal processing algorithms for audio source separation and computational auditory scene analysis.

### Adobe Research, San Francisco, CA

Research Intern

2017-2018

Worked on machine learning and creativity support tools for podcast production and audio quality prediction.

### Gracenote, Emeryville, CA

Research Intern

2016

Worked on problems in media recognition and retrieval, specifically cover song identification.

### Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

Researcher

2011 - 2012

Worked with Professor Peter Dinda, and Stephen Tarzia on problems in acoustics. Developed this acoustics research as a mobile application for Android and iOS.

## GRANTS

### CIRA grant

2016-2017

*Center for Interdisciplinary Research in the Arts at Northwestern University.*

“Deep learning, artificial intelligence, and the composition and performance of new vocal music”. Amount: \$4000

## HONORS

Todd M. and Ruth Warren Fellowship

## PAPERS

**Seetharaman, Prem**, Gordon Wichern, Shrikant Venkataramani, and Jonathan Le Roux. “Class-Conditional Embeddings for Music Source Separation”. *Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2019 IEEE International Conference on*. IEEE. 2019.

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**Seetharaman, Prem**, Gautham Mysore, Bryan Pardo, Paris Smaragdis, and Celso Gomes. “VoiceAssist: Guiding Users to High-Quality Voice Recordings”. *Proceedings of the SIGCHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*. ACM. 2019.

Manilow, Ethan, **Prem Seetharaman**, and Bryan Pardo. “The Northwestern University Source Separation Library” *Proc. of the 19th International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR)*. Paris, France, 2018

Wilkins, Julia, **Prem Seetharaman**, Alison Wahl and Bryan Pardo. “VocalSet: A Singing Voice Dataset” *Proc. of the 19th International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR)*. Paris, France, 2018

**Seetharaman, Prem**, Gautham Mysore, Paris Smaragdis, and Bryan Pardo. “Blind Estimation of the Speech Transmission Index for Speech Quality Prediction.” *43rd International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing*, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 2018

Manilow, Ethan, **Prem Seetharaman**, Fatemeh Pishdadian, and Bryan Pardo. “Predicting Algorithm Efficacy for Adaptive Multi-Cue Source Separation.” *Applications of Signal Processing to Audio and Acoustics, 2017. WASPAA’17. IEEE Workshop on*. IEEE 2017

**Seetharaman, Prem**, Fatemeh Pishdadian, and Bryan Pardo. “Music/voice separation using the 2D Fourier Transform.” *Applications of Signal Processing to Audio and Acoustics, 2017. WASPAA’17. IEEE Workshop on*. IEEE 2017

Donovan, Michael, **Prem Seetharaman**, and Bryan Pardo. “A Web Audio Node for the Fast Creation of Natural Language Interfaces for Audio Production.” *3rd Web Audio Conference*, London, UK, August 21-23, 2017.

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Zafar Rafii. “Cover Song Identification with 2D Fourier Transform Sequences.” *42nd International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing*, New Orleans, USA, March 5 - 9, 2017.

Zheng, Taylor, **Prem Seetharaman**, and Bryan Pardo. “SocialFX: Studying a Crowdsourced Folksonomy of Audio Effects Terms.” *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Multimedia*. ACM, 2016.

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Bryan Pardo. “Simultaneous separation and segmentation in layered music” *Proc. of the 17th International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR)*. New York City, NY, USA, 2016

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Bryan Pardo. “Audealize: Crowdsourcing Audio Production Tools” *Journal of the Audio Engineering Society*. 2016

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Bryan Pardo. “Reverbalize: a crowdsourced reverberation controller.” *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Multimedia*. ACM, 2014. (Technical Demo Abstract)

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Bryan Pardo. “Crowdsourcing a reverberation descriptor map.” *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Multimedia*. ACM, 2014.

**Seetharaman, Prem**, and Stephen P. Tarzia. “The Hand Clap as an Impulse Source for Measuring Room Acoustics.” *Audio Engineering Society Convention 132*. Audio Engineering Society, 2012.

## PATENTS

Markus K Cremer, Zafar Rafii, Robert Coover, and **Prem Seetharaman**. *Automated Cover Song Identification*. US Patent App. 15/698,557. July 2018.

Zafar Rafii and **Prem Seetharaman**. *Audio Identification Based on Data Structure*. US Patent App. 15/698,532. Mar. 2018.

## SERVICE

I regularly review papers for ICASSP, ACM Multimedia, WASPAA, IEEE Transactions on Multimedia, IEEE/ACM Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing, ISMIR, among other conferences and journals. I helped organize the Midwest Music and Audio Day (MMAD), a workshop for research in my field at Northwestern University, in 2015 and 2017.

### AI Journal Club

Founder and current officer

2016 - Present

AJJC was established to create a venue for open discussion for all topics regarding AI, fostering a sense of community among like-minded researchers at Northwestern.

### CS Phd Advisory Council

Founder

2017 - Present

I helped establish CSPAC, an organization that gives PhD students a voice in decisions made in the department, a sense of ownership and responsibility for the department. CSPAC plans events and fund clubs that foster community and build a department culture.

## References

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