Rajarshi Bhattacharjee

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Research Interests

Theoretical Computer Science, Machine Learning (specifically online learning), Randomized Linear Algebra

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts Amherst

2020-Current

Ph.D. in Computer Science, GPA: 4.0/4.0

- Advisor: Prof. Cameron Musco

Indian Statistical Institute

2015 - 2017

Master of Technology in Computer Science, Final Aggregate: 85.90 % (First Class with Distinction)

Jadavpur University

2009 - 2013

Bachelor of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering, GPA: 7.86/10.00 (First Class)

Publications and Preprints

(*): alphabetical ordering

- 1. (*) Rajarshi Bhattacharjee, Cameron Musco and Archan Ray. Sublinear Time Eigenvalue Approximation via Random Sampling. 2021. Preprint at [arxiv]
- 2. Abhishek Sinha and Rajarshi Bhattacharjee. **Optimizing the Age-of-Information for Mobile Users in Adversarial and Stochastic Environments.** *Under submission at IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 2020. [arxiv]
- 3. Rajarshi Bhattacharjee, Subhankar Banerjee and Abhishek Sinha. Fundamental Limits on the Regret of Online Network-Caching. Proceedings of the ACM on the Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems, Vol 4, No. 2, Article 25, 2020. Also published at ACM SIGMETRICS 2020 [PDF]
- 4. Subhankar Banerjee, Rajarshi Bhattacharjee and Abhishek Sinha. Fundamental limits of age-of-information in stationary and non-stationary environments. In 2020 IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT), 2020. [arxiv]
- 5. Rajarshi Bhattacharjee and Abhishek Sinha. Competitive algorithms for minimizing the maximum age-of-information. Workshop on MAthematical performance Modeling and Analysis (MAMA), ACM SIGMETRICS 2020. [PDF]
- 6. Rajarshi Bhattacharjee and Naresh Manwani. Online Algorithms for Multiclass Classification Using Partial Labels. Proceedings of the Pacific-Asia Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (PAKDD), 2020.

 [arxiv]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Amherst, MA

Graduate Research Assistant

Fall 2020-Current

- Our work proves that we can estimate eigenvalues (upto an additive approximation factor) of symmetric matrices in sublinear time by sampling random submatrices
- Area: Randomized Linear Algebra, Data science

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras

Project Associate under Prof. Abhishek Sinha

Chennai, India July 2019–August 2020

- The problem of online caching of files is equivalent to an online optimization problem over a simplex. We derived tight regret lower bounds for this problem showing that online gradient decent is actually optimal.
- Proposed simple to implement policies with a bounded *competitive ratio* for minimizing the age-of-information for users in a network in an online setting.
- Area: Online Convex Optimization, Machine Learning, Age-of-information of Communication networks

Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Hyderabad

Hyderabad, India

Research Assistant under Prof. Naresh Manwani

February 2018–May 2019

- Developed online algorithms based on perceptron and pegasos for the weakly supervised setting of learning with partial label. Derived mistake bounds and regret bounds for the algorithms.
- Area: Online learning, Optimization

Professional Experience

Deloitte Consulting India Private Limited

Hyderabad, India

Business Analyst/Data Scientist

August 2017–December 2017

- Worked in the Data Science division involved in providing machine learning based solutions to clients

PricewaterhouseCoopers Private Limited

Chennai, India

Consultant

September 2013–July 2015

 Work involved development of software modules using Java, Oracle ADF and PLSQ for clients after understanding requirement.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Awarded Sudha and Rajesh Jha Scholarship at UMass Amherst. (awarded to one student every year)
- Rashi Ray Memorial Medal for standing First in the order of merit in M.Tech. Computer Science at Indian Statistical Institute
- Awarded **Dean's Fellowship** along with admission to the **PhD program** in Electrical and Systems Engineering at **Boston University**. (declined offer)

SERVICE

- Helped Prof. Abhishek Sinha review papers for IEEE Transactions on Networking
- Helped Prof. Naresh Manwani review papers for IJCAI, IJCNN

Relevant Coursework

Programming Languages

Advanced Algorithms, Optimization, Machine Learning, Probabilistic Graphical Models Python, C, Java, Matlab