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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Theory, design, and implementation of scalable <b>computer networks</b> and <b>computer systems</b> , including resource scheduling, congestion control, and formal methods.	
EDUCATION	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> , Atlanta, Georgia, USA PhD in Computer Science August 2019 <b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> , Atlanta, Georgia, USA M.Sc. in Computer Science May 2018 <b>Alexandria University</b> , Alexandria, Egypt Bachelor's of Science, Computer and Systems Engineering July 2010	
EMPLOYMENT	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> , Atlanta, Georgia, USA <i>Assistant Professor</i> Aug. 2021 - now <b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b> , Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA <i>Postdoctoral Associate</i> Sep. 2019 - Jul. 2021 <b>Google Inc.</b> , Sunnyvale and Mountain View, CA, USA. <i>Student Researcher</i> Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2018 <i>Software Engineering Intern</i> May 2018 - Aug. 2018 <i>Software Engineering Intern</i> May 2016 - Jan. 2017 <i>Software Engineering Intern</i> May 2015 - Aug. 2015 <b>Carnegie Mellon University Qatar</b> and <b>Qatar University</b> , Doha, Qatar. <i>Research Fellow</i> Nov. 2013 - July 2014 <b>Egypt-Japan University for Science and Technology</b> , Alexandria, Egypt <i>Research Assistant</i> July 2010 - Aug. 2013 <b>Nile University</b> , Cairo, Egypt <i>Undergraduate Research Assistant</i> July 2009 - Aug. 2009	
HONORS AND AWARDS	DARPA Riser, 2022. Selected among the top five DARPA Risers at the Georgia Tech event. Class of 1969 Teaching Fellow, 2022. Inclusive STEM Teaching Fellow, 2022. Google PhD Fellowship in Systems and Networking (2017-2019). Third place in Student Research Competition (SRC) at MobiCom 2011. Second place in undergraduate Student Research Competition (SRC) at MobiCom 2009.	

## FUNDING

- **Collaborative Research: CNS Core: Medium: High-performance Network Stacks for the Edge**, NSF award CNS-2212098  
PI with Alex Daglis and Adam Belay (MIT), \$1,198,140 (Georgia Tech: \$748,140) 10/2022-09/2025.
- **Collaborative Research: CNS Core: Medium: Robust Behavioral Analysis and Synthesis of Network Control Protocols Using Formal Verification**, NSF award CNS-2212103  
Co-PI with Hari Balakrishnan (MIT), \$1,199,020 (Georgia Tech: \$299,020) 10/2022-09/2025.
- **Google Research Award**  
Unrestricted gift, \$60,000, 06/2022

## CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

1. **Protego: Overload Control for Applications with Unpredictable Lock Contention**  
USENIX NSDI 2023  
Inho Cho, Ahmed Saeed, Seo Jin Park, Mohammad Alizadeh, Adam Belay
2. **A Characterization of Route Variability in LEO Satellite Networks**  
PAM 2023  
Vaibhav Bhosale, Ahmed Saeed, Ketan Bhardwaj, Ada Gavrilovksa
3. **Toward Formally Verifying Congestion Control Behavior**  
ACM SIGCOMM 2021  
Venkat Arun, Mina Tahmasbi Arashloo, Ahmed Saeed, Mohammad Alizadeh, Hari Balakrishnan
4. **Throughput-Fairness Tradeoffs in Mobility Platforms**  
ACM MobiSys 2021  
Arjun Balasingam, Karthik Gopalakrishnan, Radhika Mittal, Venkat Arun, Ahmed Saeed, Mohammad Alizadeh, Hamsa Balakrishnan, Hari Balakrishnan
5. **Scouting the Path to a Million-Client Server**  
PAM 2021  
Yimeng Zhao, Ahmed Saeed, Ellen Zegura, Mostafa Ammar
6. **Annulus: A Dual Congestion Control Loop for Datacenter and WAN Traffic Aggregates**  
ACM SIGCOMM 2020  
Ahmed Saeed, Varun Gupta, Prateesh Goyal, Milad Sharif, Rong Pan, Mostafa Ammar, Ellen Zegura, Keon Jang, Mohammad Alizadeh, Abdul Kabbani, Amin Vahdat
7. **Overload Control for  $\mu$ s-scale RPCs with Breakwater**  
USENIX OSDI 2020  
Inho Cho, Ahmed Saeed, Joshua Fried, Seo Jin Park, Mohammad Alizadeh, Adam Belay
8. **Eiffel: Efficient and Flexible Software Packet Scheduling**  
USENIX NSDI 2019  
Ahmed Saeed, Yimeng Zhao, Nandita Dukkupati, Ellen Zegura, Mostafa Ammar, Khaled Harras, Amin Vahdat
9. **zD: A Scalable Zero-Drop Network Stack at End Hosts**  
ACM CoNEXT2019  
Yimeng Zhao, Ahmed Saeed, Ellen Zegura, Mostafa Ammar
10. **Unison: Enabling Content Provider/ISP Collaboration using a vSwitch Abstraction**  
IEEE ICNP 2019  
Yimeng Zhao, Ahmed Saeed, Mostafa Ammar, Ellen Zegura
11. **Characterizing the Effects of Rapid LTE Deployment: A Data Driven Analysis**  
IEEE/IFIP TMA 2019  
Kareem Abdullah, Noha Othman Korany, Ayman Khalafallah, Ahmed Saeed, Ayman Gaber

12. **If you can't beat them, augment them: Improving Local WiFi with Only Above-driver Changes**  
IEEE ICNP 2018  
Ahmed Saeed, Mostafa Ammar, Ellen Zegura, Khaled Harras
13. **Carousel: Scalable Traffic Shaping at End-Hosts**  
ACM SIGCOMM 2017  
Ahmed Saeed, Nandita Dukkipati, Vytautas Valancius, Vinh The Lam, Carlo Contavalli, Amin Vahdat
14. **Argus: Realistic Target Coverage by Drones**  
ACM/IEEE IPSN 2017  
Ahmed Saeed, Ahmed Abdelkader, Mouhyemen Khan, Azin Neishaboori, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed  
– Full version published in ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks 2019
15. **Local and Low-cost White Space Detection**  
IEEE ICDCS 2017  
Ahmed Saeed, Khaled Harras, Ellen Zegura, Mostafa Ammar
16. **The Inapproximability of Illuminating Polygons by  $\alpha$ -Floodlights**  
CCCG 2015  
Ahmed Abdelkader, Ahmed Saeed, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed
17. **Up and Away: A Visually-Controlled Easy-to-Deploy Wireless UAV Cyber-Physical Testbed**  
IEEE WiMob 2014  
Ahmed Saeed, Azin Neishaboori, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed
18. **Low complexity target coverage heuristics using mobile cameras** (*short paper*)  
IEEE MASS 2014  
Azin Neishaboori, Ahmed Saeed, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed
19. **On Target Coverage in Mobile Visual Sensor Networks**  
ACM MOBIWAC 2014  
Azin Neishaboori, Ahmed Saeed, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed
20. **Location-Aware Probabilistic Route Discovery for Cognitive Radio Networks**  
IEEE WCNC 2014  
Ahmed Elbagori, Ahmed Saeed, Moustafa Youssef
21. **A Low-Cost Large-Scale Framework for Cognitive Radio Routing Protocols Testing**  
IEEE ICC 2013  
Ahmed Saeed, Mohamed Ibrahim, Khaled Harras, Moustafa Youssef
22. **RASID: A Robust WLAN Device-free Passive Motion Detection System**  
IEEE PerCom 2012  
Ahmed E. Kosba, Ahmed Saeed, Moustafa Youssef  
– Full version published in IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing 2014

JOURNAL  
PUBLICATIONS

1. **On Realistic Target Coverage by Autonomous Drones**  
ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks 2019  
Ahmed Saeed, Ahmed Abdelkader, Mouhyemen Khan, Azin Neishaboori, Khaled Harras, Amr Mohamed
2. **Toward Dynamic Real-time Geo-location Databases for TV white Spaces**  
IEEE Network 2015  
Ahmed Saeed, Mohamed Ibrahim, Khaled Harras, Moustafa Youssef

3. **Ichnaea: A Low-overhead Robust WLAN Device-free Passive Localization System**  
IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing 2014  
Ahmed Saeed, Ahmed E. Kosba, Moustafa Youssef
4. **Nuzzer: A Large-Scale Device-Free Passive Localization System for Wireless Environments**  
IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing 2013  
Moustafa Seifeldin, Ahmed Saeed, Ahmed E. Kosba, Moustafa Youssef, Amr El-Keyi

#### WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

1. **Vision: The Case for Symbiosis in the Internet of Things**  
ACM MCS 2015 in conjunction with ACM MobiCom  
Ahmed Saeed, Mostafa Ammar, Khaled Harras, Ellen Zegura
2. **Towards a Characterization of White Spaces Databases Errors: An Empirical Study**  
ACM WiNTECH 2014 in conjunction with ACM MobiCom  
Ahmed Saeed, Khaled Harras, Moustafa Youssef
3. **Target Coverage Heuristics Using Mobile Cameras**  
Robotic Sensor Networks 2014 part of Cyber-Physical Systems Week  
Azin Neishaboori, Ahmed Saeed, Amr Mohamed, Khaled Harras

#### REFEREED POSTERS AND DEMOS

1. **A Robust Technique for WLAN Device-free Passive Motion Detection**  
ACM MobiCom 2011 (Poster)  
Ahmed E. Kosba, Ahmed Saeed, Moustafa Youssef
2. **Quantifying the Impact of GPU Specific Optimizations: An Experimental Study on a Weather Forecasting Application**  
ACM PACT 2010 (Poster)  
Ahmed Saeed, Emad Elwany, Emad Tawadros, Kareem Abdelsalam, Pakinam Yousry, Samia Hafez
3. **DNIS: A Middleware for Dynamic Multiple Network Interface Scheduling**  
ACM MobiCom 2009 (Poster)  
Ahmed Saeed, Karim Habak, Mahmoud Fouad, Moustafa Youssef
4. **DNIS: Dynamic Multiple Network Interface Scheduler**  
ACM MobiCom 2009 (Demo)  
Ahmed Saeed, Karim Habak, Mahmoud Fouad, Moustafa Youssef

#### PATENTS

1. US Patent 10,454,835  
“Device And Method For Scalable Traffic Shaping With A Time-Indexed Data Structure”  
Carlo Contavalli, Nandita Dukkkipati, *Ahmed Issa*, Vytautas Valancius, Granted Oct. 2019.
2. US Patent 9,800,946  
“Dynamic real-time TV white space awareness”  
Khaled Harras, Moustafa Amin Youssef, Mohammed Ibrahim, *Ahmed Issa*, Granted Oct. 2017.

#### SERVICE

**PC Member:** NSDI '23, SIGCOMM '22, HotNets '22, ANRW '22, APNet '22, ANCS '21

**Invited Reviewer** IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (ToN), IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communications (JSAC), IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology (TVT), IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing (TMC), IEEE Computer, IEEE Networking Letters, ACM Transactions on Sensor Networks (TOSN), Elsevier Pervasive and Mobile Computing, Elsevier Ad Hoc Networks, Elsevier Computer Networks, IEEE VTC2015-Spring.

## Georgia Tech Service

- Member, CoC Communications Faculty Advisory Board, 2022.
- Member, PhD Admissions Committee, 2022.
- Member, PhD Visit Day Committee, 2022

## TALKS

- **Improving the Performance and Resilience of LEO Satellite Networks**  
DARPA Forward at Georgia Tech Oct. 2022
- **High Performance Network Stacks for Edge Servers**  
Google Networking Research Summit 2022 Feb. 2022
- **Building Scalable Network Stacks for Modern Applications**
  - University of Texas at Austin Apr. 2021
  - École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) Apr. 2021
  - University of Toronto Mar. 2021
  - Microsoft Research Mar. 2021
  - Imperial College London Mar. 2021
  - George Mason University Mar. 2021
  - Simon Fraser University Mar. 2021
  - University of British Columbia Mar. 2021
  - Virginia Tech Feb. 2021
  - University of Waterloo Feb. 2021
  - Max Planck Institute - SWS Feb. 2021
  - Georgia Tech Feb. 2021
  - King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST) Jan. 2021
- **Annulus: A Dual Congestion Control Loop for Datacenter and WAN Traffic Aggregates**  
ACM SIGCOMM Conference Aug. 2020
- **Eiffel: Efficient and Flexible Software Packet Scheduling**  
USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI) Feb. 2019
- **Scalable Packet Scheduling in Software**
  - Massachusetts Institute of Technology Feb. 2019
  - Princeton University Feb. 2019
  - University of Southern California Oct. 2018
  - University of California - Santa Cruz Oct. 2018
- **Carousel: Scalable Traffic Shaping at End-Hosts**  
ACM SIGCOMM Conference Aug. 2017
- **Local and Low-cost White Space Detection**
  - Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS) Jun. 2017
  - Marconi Society Young Scholars Symposium with Vint Cerf Mar. 2015