



# Samiran Kawtikwar

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**Interests:** Operations Research, Supply Chain Analytics, Discrete Optimization

## EDUCATION

### University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

PHD OPERATIONS RESEARCH  
2020 - Ongoing | IL, USA

### Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

B. TECH PRODUCTION AND  
INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING  
2014 - 2018 | Delhi, India  
Department Rank 3

## COURSEWORK

Integer Programming  
Advanced network analysis  
Applied Parallel Programming  
Optimization of Large Systems  
Convex Optimization  
Combinatorial Optimization  
Big graphs & social networks

### Teaching Assistant

Facilities Planning and Design  
Analysis of Data  
Production Planning & Control  
Intro to Operations Research

## FOCUS AREAS

High-Performance Computing  
Large-Scale Optimization  
Parallel Programming

## SKILLS

### Programming

C++, CUDA, OpenMP,  
Python, CuPy, Java

### Tools

Gurobi, AMPL, SQL,  
R, Matlab, networkX, CVX,  
METIS, CUB, Nsight Compute

## POSITIONS

### At Schlumberger:

Empowerment team leader

### At IIT Delhi:

Undergraduate Secretary, AIC  
Publicity coordinator, Literati

## INTERESTS

Badminton, Aquatics, Soccer,  
and Traveling

## RELEVANT PROJECTS

### Large-Scale Network Optimization

#### GPU ACCELERATED LARGE LAP SOLVER

With Rakesh Nagi | Nov 21 - Ongoing

- Developed a Primal-Dual to Dual transformation between Hungarian and JV algorithms to maximize computational performance.
- Deployed on a containerized supercomputer cluster to study scaling characteristics.
- Geomean time speedup of **17x** over the previous state-of-the-art implementations.

### ACCELERATED TRAVELLING SALESMAN PROBLEM SOLVER

With Samhita Vadrevu, and Rakesh Nagi | Aug 20 - May 21

- Developed a staged integer programming formulation for TSP with tighter LP bounds.
- Implemented GPU accelerated subgradient procedure on the Lagrangian dual problem.
- Improved the gap using parallel column generation technique with GPUs.

### Big Graphs Analysis

#### THREAT DETECTION IN SOCIAL NETWORKS

With Rakesh Nagi | Jul 22 - Ongoing

- Query based thread detection on ground intelligence SQL data from Iraq.
- Designed an Attributed Relational Graph (ARG) to represent the intelligence data.
- Detected all near matching networks in ARG using ranked subgraph enumeration.

### ACCELERATED SUBGRAPH ENUMERATION IN CUDA

With Rakesh Nagi, Wen-Mei Hwu, and IBM C<sup>3</sup>SR | Aug 21 - Aug 22

- Developed the fastest GPU Subgraph Enumerator using CUDA with **7.8x** improvement.
- Deployed the application on a supercomputer cloud cluster and achieved strong scaling.
- Invented a dynamic load balancing technique to ensure comprehensive GPU utilization.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Schlumberger | FIELD OPERATIONS ENGINEER

Subsea Landing String Services (India, China, France) | July 18 - July 20

- Delivered safe and efficient offshore production operations for multinational clients.
- Completed Asia's deepest production wells with water depths greater than 2100m.
- Worked in multiple countries with people from diverse nationalities.

## PUBLICATIONS AND PATENTS

1. **Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming (2023):** EPARSEC - Enhanced PARallel Subgraph Enumeration in CUDA (**Under-review**).
2. **INFORMS Annual Meeting (2022):** Presented on PARSEC - PARallel Subgraph Enumeration in CUDA
3. **Design Patent (2016):** Successfully patented an innovative design of a bike cooling system based on evaporative cooling. (**India Patent #201611005811**)

## AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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| 2021, 2022 | Awarded <b>excellent teaching assistant</b> at UIUC.                             |
| 2020-2021  | Recipient of <b>Phil Ryan Graduate Fellowship</b> for excellent academic record. |
| 2017-2018  | <b>Semester Merit Award</b> for outstanding academic performance at IIT Delhi.   |
| 2015-2018  | Maintained <b>Department Rank 3</b> through meritorious efforts over 4 years.    |
| 2014-2018  | Awarded the prestigious <b>MCM scholarship</b> for all 4 undergraduate years.    |
| 2015-2016  | Gold Medalist, Inter Hostel Water Polo.  |