

# Sharat Chandra Madanapalli

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## Education

- 2018–2022 **University of New South Wales (UNSW) Sydney**,  
*Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)*, Programmable Networks and Machine Learning.
- 2014–2018 **Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) Pilani**,  
*Bachelor of Engineering (Hons.)*, Computer Science, GPA – 9.4/10.
- 2012–2014 **FIITJEE Junior College**,  
*Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry*, Score – 97.1%.

## Experience

- Apr 2022 – **Head of Data Science**, CANOPUS NETWORKS.  
Ongoing
  - Manage a team of data scientists and analysts to develop data-driven products for monitoring mobile and broadband networks around the world.
  - Execute projects and trials for customers including operators like Telstra, Optus, and NBN in Australia and Reliance Jio and Vodafone-Idea in India.
  - Well versed in software and big data architectures to design and build products that work at terabit-scale.
- Oct 2019 – **Part-time Software Engineer: Data and ML**, CANOPUS NETWORKS.  
Apr 2022
  - Developed network functions to extract sophisticated telemetry to support QoE measurements
  - Designed and implemented machine learning models to classify internet traffic
  - Involved in the internet QoE and ML product lifecycle from prototype development, testing and deployment.
- Nov 2019 – **Collaborating Researcher**, TELSTRA.  
Jun 2020 Analyzed network traffic datasets of Telstra 4G deployment to assess the feasibility of generating QoE metrics for 4k video streams. Work included setting up a lab environment with 4G modems, creating network interference and procuring and analysing datasets.
- Feb–May 2020 **Academic Guest**, ETH ZURICH.  
2020 Leveraged programmable data planes and packet scheduling algorithms to build a data-driven self driving network to improve Internet application performance that can be deployed in ISP networks.
- Sep 2018 – **Collaborating Researcher**, CISCO.  
Mar 2019 Built a system to model and monitor encrypted carrier wifi-calling sessions in enterprise networks using time-series machine learning. The system secured the enterprise by blocking malicious traffic other than wifi-calls.
- May 2017 – **Research Practicum Intern**, UNSW SYDNEY.  
Dec 2017 Scaled-up a video stream monitoring solution 100x to support traffic rates of 10Gbps by developing distributed SDN applications and packet processors using DPDK.

## Patents

- Nov 2021 **Network Traffic Classification**, FILING NUMBER: 2021903718,  
Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Vijay Sivaraman, Himal Kumar.
- Sep 2020 **Apparatus and process for detecting and estimating user experience of online games**,  
PCT/AU2020/050935, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman.
- May 2020 **Process and Apparatus for Estimating Real-Time Quality of Experience**, PCT NATIONAL PHASE  
AUSTRALIA: 2020274322, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman.
- Feb 2020 **Network Bandwidth Apportioning**, PCT NATIONAL PHASE AUSTRALIA: 2020228672,  
Vijay Sivaraman, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Himal Kumar.

## Achievements

- 2019-21 **World-wide research travel grants, as a PhD Student**, UNSW SYDNEY.  
Received several travel grants to present my research around the world in top networking and AI conferences.

- May 2020 **Invited Data Science Talk**, TELSTRA DATA SCIENCE INTEREST GROUP.  
Presented the latest data science tools and techniques used in the 4G project to analyze complex datasets.
- Nov 2019 **Invited P4 Workshop Instructor**, TELSTRA NEXT GENERATION NETWORKING SUMMIT.  
Instructed network engineers on building modern networked systems using P4-programmable data planes.
- Sep 2019 **Invited Research Speaker**, AUSTRALIAN NETWORK OPERATORS GROUP (AUSNOG) SUMMIT.  
Presented my work in gaming detection and latency measurements to network operators across Australia.
- Jun 2019 **Best Dataset Award**, TMA CONFERENCE.  
Received the award for curating Netflix streaming datasets collected over 3months across 9 home networks.
- July 2018 **Recipient of UNSW Tution Fee Scholarship (TFS)**, UNSW SYDNEY.  
Received the competitive TFS scholarship to pursue my Ph.D.
- May 2018 **High Distinction With Honours in Computer Science**, BITS PILANI.  
In top 2% of the computer science class in first-ranked private engineering university in India.
- Mar 2018 **Exxon Mobil Signage Detection Competition**, BITS PILANI.  
Winning proposal to detect signage using modern neural networks and object recognition algorithms.
- Feb 2016 **Finalist in Build the Shield Cybersecurity Challenge**, MICROSOFT.  
Ranked 15 among top 50 teams in India solving cyber security puzzles (hacks/exploits etc.) using programming.
- Feb 2014 **National Science Talent Search Exam (NSTSE)**, UNIFIED COUNCIL INDIA.  
All India Rank 51 amongst 1000s of students across schools in India

## Publications

- May 2022 **AutoQoS: Automatic, Application-aware QoS Configurations**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Laurent Vanbever*, ARXIV.
- Mar 2022 **Know Thy Lag: In-network Gameplay Detection and Latency Measurements**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
PASSIVE AND ACTIVE MEASUREMENTS (PAM) 2022.
- Dec 2021 **FlowFormers: Transformer-based Models for Real-time Network Flow Classification**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Rushi Babariya, Himal Kumar, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
MOBILITY, SENSING AND NETWORKING (MSN) 2021.
- Sep 2021 **Measuring Network Experience Meaningfully, Accurately, and Scalably**,  
*Vijay Sivaraman, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Himal Kumar*,  
MEASURING NETWORK QUALITY FOR END-USERS, IAB.
- Jun 2021 **ReCLive: Real-Time Classification and QoE Inference of Live Video Streaming Services**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Alex Mathai, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON QUALITY OF SERVICE (IWQOS) 2021.
- Feb 2021 **Software-Defined Multi-domain Tactical Networks: Foundations and Future Directions**,  
*Redowan Mahmud, Adel N Toosi, Maria Alejandra Rodriguez, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Vijay Sivaraman, Len Sciacca, Christos Sioutis, Rajkumar Buyya*, MOBILE EDGE COMPUTING 2021.
- Oct 2019 **Modeling and Monitoring Wi-Fi Calling Traffic in Enterprise Networks Using Machine Learning**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Arunan Sivanathan, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman, Santosh Patil, Byju Pularikkal*, LOCAL COMPUTER NETWORKS (LCN) 2019.
- Aug 2019 **Assisting Delay and Bandwidth-sensitive Applications in a Self-Driving Network**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
SIGCOMM WORKSHOP ON NETWORK MEETS AI & ML (NETAI) 2019.
- Jun 2019 **Inferring Netflix User Experience from Broadband Network Measurement**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
NETWORK TRAFFIC MEASUREMENT AND ANALYSIS CONFERENCE (TMA) 2019.
- Apr 2019 **OpenTD: Open Traffic Differentiation in a Post-neutral World**,  
*Vijay Sivaraman, Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Himal Kumar, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili*,  
ACM SYMPOSIUM ON SDN RESEARCH (SOSR) 2019.

Apr 2018 **Real-time detection, isolation and monitoring of elephant flows using commodity SDN system**,  
*Sharat Chandra Madanapalli, Minzhao Lyu, Himal Kumar, Hassan Habibi Gharakheili, Vijay Sivaraman*,  
IEEE/IFIP NETWORK OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM (NOMS) 2018.

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## Skills

Areas Programmable Networks, SDN/NFV, Data Science, Machine Learning  
Programming Python, Golang, P4, Java, C/C++, SQL  
Frameworks Pandas, Plotly, Keras, Tensorflow  
WebDev HTML/CSS, JavaScript  
Utilities Git, Docker, Jupyter Notebook  
Languages English, Hindi, Telugu  
Music Guitarist, Keyboardist and Vocalist

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## References

**Vijay Sivaraman**,  
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