# Susobhan Ghosh

### Education

PhD Student, Computer Science, Harvard University, CGPA - 4.0/4.0

B.Tech (Honors) + M.S. by Research, Computer Science, IIIT Hyderabad, CGPA - 9.29/10

## Experience

- Jan 2021 **Graduate Research Assistant**, SEAS, Harvard University
  - Present Worked on restless multi-arm bandits for medical adherence domains with Prof. Milind Tambe
- Sep 2019 Research Engineer, School of Information Systems, Singapore Management University
- Dec 2020 Worked with Dr. Pradeep Varakantham to develop defenses for adversarial attacks on machine learning models.
- Aug 2018 Graduate Research Assistant, Machine Learning Lab, IIIT Hyderabad
- May 2019 Advisors: Dr. Praveen Paruchuri and Dr. Sujit Gujar. Developed algorithms for an autonomous trading agent for energy markets. Placed  $2^{nd}$  in annual PowerTAC 2018 competition.
- Aug 2016 **Teaching Assistant**, *IIIT Hyderabad*
- May 2019 (i) Principles of Information Security (Spring 2019, Spring 2018), (ii) Introduction to Game Theory (Monsoon 2017), (iii) Computer Networks (Spring 2017), and (iv) SSAD & Project (Monsoon 2016)
- May-July Research Intern, Innovation Labs, Tata Consultancy Services Hyderabad
  - 2018 Advisors: Dr. Easwar Subramanian and Dr. Sanjay Bhat. Improved, and developed new trading algorithms for a trading agent in the energy market. *Java, Python*
- May-July Research Intern, Innovation Labs, Tata Consultancy Services Hyderabad
  - 2017 Advisors: Dr. Easwar Subramanian and Dr. Sanjay Bhat. Developed a power trading agent & benchmarked against past agents using PowerTAC testbed. *Java*
- May Sep Google Summer of Code, LibreOffice, ✓
  - Developed 7 panels and 3 decks in the sidebar for the LibreOffice suite (released in v5.3). Panels offered quick settings for page formatting, background, fonts, media playback, headers & footers etc. C++, Glade
- June 2015 **Teaching Assistant**, *IIT Kharagpur*, Network Management Workshop Instructor Dr. Swapan Purkait. *Bash, Networking, Linux, Cisco Packet Tracer*
- July 2014 **Teaching Assistant**, *Nettech Private Limited*, Network Management Workshop Kolkata Instructor Dr. Swapan Purkait. *Bash, Networking, Linux, Cisco Packet Tracer*

#### **Publications**

- IAAI-22 Facilitating human-wildlife cohabitation through conflict prediction, Susobhan Ghosh, Pradeep Varakantham, Aniket Bhatkhande, Tamanna Ahmad, Anish Andheria, Wenjun Li, Aparna Taneja, Divy Thakkar, Milind Tambe, In proceedings of the 34th Annual Conference on Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence (IAAI), 2022,
- AAMAS-22 Efficient Algorithms for Finite Horizon and Streaming Restless Multi-Armed Bandit Problems, Aditya Mate, Arpita Biswas, Christoph Siebenbrunner, Susobhan Ghosh, Milind Tambe, International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-agent Systems (AAMAS), 2022.
  - IAAI-22 **Using Public Data to Predict Demand for Mobile Health Clinics**, Haipeng Chen, Susobhan Ghosh, Gregory Fan, Nikhil Behari, Arpita Biswas, Mollie Williams, Nancy E. Oriol, Milind Tambe, In proceedings of the 34th Annual Conference on Innovative Applications of Artificial Intelligence (IAAI), 2022,
  - AAAI-20 **Bidding in Smart Grid PDAs: Theory, Analysis and Strategy**, Susobhan Ghosh, Sujit Gujar, Praveen Paruchuri, Easwar Subramanian, Sanjay P. Bhat, In proceedings of Thirty-Fourth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence,

- AAAI-19 VidyutVanika: A Reinforcement Learning Based Broker Agent for a Power Trading Competition, Susobhan Ghosh, Easwar Subramanian, Sanjay P. Bhat, Sujit Gujar, Praveen Paruchuri, In proceedings of Thirty-Third AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence,
- MS Thesis Learning Strategies for Power Trading in Smart Grids, Susobhan Ghosh, International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad,
  - PASS-19 VidyutVanika: An Autonomous Broker Agent for Smart Grid Environment, Susobhan Ghosh, Kritika Prakash, Sanjay Chandlekar, Easwar Subramanian, Sanjay P. Bhat, Sujit Gujar, Praveen Paruchuri, Accepted for Policy, Awareness, Sustainability and Systems (PASS) Workshop

## Highlighted Projects

- Nov 2021 Restless Multi-armed Bandits (RMABs) for shorter time horizons, Reinforcement Learning
  - Present Motivated by the medical adherence domain, working on developing online RL algorithms to quickly learn optimal actions in an RMAB setting, given a very short time horizon.
- Apr 2020 **Predicting and mitigating human-wildlife conflicts**, *Deep Learning, Mechanism Design*Aug 2021
  - Developed a system to predict human-wildlife conflict intensity using remote sensing data and imagery. Worked on compensation schemes for losses associated to crop damage due to human-wildlife conflicts.
- Sep 2019 **Developing defenses against Adversarial Attacks**, *Game Theory, Supervised Learning* Dec 2020
  - Modeling the adversarial attacks on machine learning models as a game, and trying to develop defenses by solving the game while simultaneously increasing robustness of the model. More specifically, modeling PDF based attacks as a Bayesian Stackelberg game, and exploring defenses by solving such games.
- Jan 2017 **Power Trading Agent Competition**, Reinforcement Learning, Auctions, Smart Grids, 

  Jul 2019

  Developed a trading agent on PowerTAC simulator which operates across retail, wholesale and balancing markets. Stood 2<sup>nd</sup> in PowerTAC 2018 Finals.
- Aug-Nov 2017 **Negotiation Agent**, *Multi-Agent Systems, Game Theory, Java*, **2**Developed a Multi-Party Negotiation Agent for the GENIUS platform using Opponent Modelling, which came 1st in a 10-agent tournament
- Aug-Nov 2016 Online News Popularity, Machine Learning, Scikit-Learn, Python, Determined popularity of Mashable posts: Feature extraction PCA & Fischer Score; Classification and prediction bagging on Random Forest, KNN, Naive Bayes, SVM, and NN (all implemented from scratch).
  - Feb 2016 Al For Modified Ultimate Tic Tac Toe, Artificial Intelligence, Search Algorithms, Python, Developed an Al bot for playing a modified version of Ultimate Tic-Tac-Toe which moves in 12 seconds using min-max and alpha-beta pruning, and heuristics.

## Achievements & Honors

Gold Medalist: Awarded for having highest CGPA in class of 2015.

Dean's Merit List: Award for Academic Excellence for years 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18

**AAAI Student Scholarship and Volunteer**: Awarded to students publishing in AAAI conference.

Microsoft Research Travel Grant: To attend AAAI-19

Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship (CSSS) 2013

Prime Minister Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) 2013

ACM ICPC 2014: Qualified for the Onsite Kharagpur Regionals

# Skills

Languages C, C++, Python, Java, Erlang, SQL, HTML5, CSS3, JS, PHP, UML

Frameworks Weka, Three.js, AngularJS, Ruby on Rails, OpenGL 3.0, WebGL, Scikit-Learn, Bootstrap, PyGame

Others Git, GNU/Linux, LibreOffice Development, Moodle Extension Development, Autodesk Maya, Glade, Network Management, Tox, Matlab, LATEX, Cisco Packet Tracer