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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Algebraic and Spectral Methods in Combinatorics, Geometry of polynomials and Functional analysis, Hardness of Approximation and Counting, Approximation Algorithms, Markov chains and High-Dimensional Probability, Numerical Linear Algebra, Iterative methods for Convex and Non-Convex Optimization and their applications to Machine Learning and Database Theory

WORK EXPERIENCE

Yale University, New Haven, CT

May 2019 - August 2019

Summer Intern

Mentor: Prof. Daniel A. Spielman

Microsoft Research India, Bangalore

July 2015 - July 2017

Research Fellow, Algorithms and Theory Group

Mentor: Dr. Amit Deshpande

IBM Research India, Bangalore

May 2014 - July 2014

Summer Intern, Business Analytics and Management Group

Mentor: Dr. Indrajit Bhattacharya

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley
PhD

August 2017 - Ongoing

Advisor: Prof. Prasad Raghavendra

- Major: Electrical Engineering & Computer Science
- CGPA: 3.8/4.00

Indian Institute of Technology - Bombay

July 2011 - June 2015

Bachelor of Technology (Honors)

- Major: Computer Science & Engineering
- CGPA: 9.08/10.00

Minor: Applied Statistics and Informatics

PUBLICATIONS

1. Tarun Kathuria, Yang P. Liu, Aaron Sidford. Unit Capacity Max Flow In Almost $O(m^{4/3})$ time. Merger of [two papers](#) appeared in *Proceedings of the 61st Annual IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS 2020)*
2. Haotian Jiang, Tarun Kathuria, Yin Tat Lee, Swati Padmanabhan, Zhao Song. [A Faster Interior Point Method for Semidefinite Programming](#). *Proceedings of the 61st Annual IEEE Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS 2020)*
3. Yeshwanth Cherapanamjeri, Samuel B. Hopkins, Tarun Kathuria, Prasad Raghavendra, Nilesch Tripuraneni [Algorithms for Heavy-Tailed Statistics: Regression, Covariance Estimation, and Beyond](#). *Proceedings of the 52nd Annual ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC 2020)*
4. L. Elisa Celis, Vijay Keswani, Damian Straszak, Amit Deshpande, Tarun Kathuria, Nisheeth K. Vishnoi: [Fair and Diverse DPP-Based Data Summarization](#). *Proceedings of the 35th International Conference of Machine Learning (ICML 2018)*
5. L. Elisa Celis, Amit Deshpande, Tarun Kathuria, Damian Straszak, Nisheeth K. Vishnoi: [On the Complexity of Constrained Determinantal Point Processes](#). *21st International Workshop on Randomization and Computation (RANDOM 2017)*
6. Tarun Kathuria, S. Sudarshan. [Efficient and Provable Multi-Query Optimization](#). *Proceedings of the 36th ACM SIGMOD-SIGACT-SIGART Symposium on Principles of Database Systems (PODS 2017)*
7. Tarun Kathuria, Amit Deshpande, Pushmeet Kohli. [Batched Gaussian Process Bandit Optimization via Determinantal Point Processes](#). *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS 2016)*
8. L. Elisa Celis, Amit Deshpande, Tarun Kathuria, Nisheeth K. Vishnoi. [How to be Fair and Diverse?](#) *3rd Workshop on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency in Machine Learning (FATML 2016)* (selected for oral presentation)

MANUSCRIPTS

1. Tarun Kathuria. A Matrix Bernstein Inequality via Modified Log Sobolev inequalities. *In Preparation*
2. Tarun Kathuria. Modified Log Sobolev inequalities for high dimensional expanders. *In Preparation*
3. Ankit Garg, Tarun Kathuria, Nikhil Srivastava. Scalar Poincare implies Matrix Poincare. [arXiv:2006.09567](#)
4. Tarun Kathuria, Satyaki Mukherjee, Nikhil Srivastava. On Concentration Inequalities for Random Matrix Products [arXiv:2003.06319](#)

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Instructor, UC Berkeley

Spring 2019, Fall 2019

Course : Undergraduate Algorithm Design

Assisted the professor in *setting assignments, question papers and model solutions* for examinations, conducting *problem solving* sessions

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, IIT Bombay

Summer 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015

Course : Introduction to Numerical Analysis

Assisted the professor in *setting question papers and model solutions* for examinations, conducting *problem solving* sessions

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, IIT Bombay

Autumn 2014

Course : Linear Algebra

Assisted the professor in *setting question papers and model solutions* for examinations, conducting *problem solving* sessions and invigilating for examinations of the cours

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, IIT Bombay

Autumn 2012

Course : Electricity & Magnetism

Assisted the professor in *setting question papers and model solutions* for examinations, conducting *problem solving* sessions

PROGRAMMING
SKILLS

C++, Java, Python

References provided on request