# VENKAT ARUN

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2019-Present

Ph.D. Student in Dept. of EECS

Advisors: Hari Balakrishnan and Mohammad Alizadeh

#### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2017-2019

Master of Science, Dept. of EECS (February 2019)

GPA: 4.9/5

Advisors: Hari Balakrishnan and Mohammad Alizadeh

#### Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati

2013-2017

B.Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering

Overall GPA: 9.83/10 (Institute Rank 1, Batch of 2017)

#### PUBLICATIONS

## • Formally Verifying Congestion Control Performance

Venkat Arun, Mina Arashloo, Ahmed Saeed, Mohammad Alizadeh, Hari Balakrishnan ACM SIGCOMM 2021

# • RFocus: Practical Beamforming for Small Devices

Venkat Arun, Hari Balakrishnan

USENIX NSDI 2020

https://people.csail.mit.edu/venkatar/rfocus.html

#### • Finding Safety in Numbers with Secure Allegation Escrows

Venkat Arun, Aniket Kate, Deepak Garg, Peter Druschel, Bobby Bhattacharjee

NDSS Symposium 2020

https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.10123

# • Copa: Practical Delay-Based Congestion Control for the Internet

Venkat Arun, Hari Balakrishnan

USENIX NSDI 2018

## Being used in production at Facebook

https://web.mit.edu/copa/

#### • Language-Directed Hardware Design for Network Performance Monitoring

Srinivas Narayana, Anirudh Sivaraman, Vikram Nathan, Prateesh Goyal, Venkat Arun, Mohammad Alizadeh, Vimalkumar Jeyakumar, and Changhoon Kim

ACM SIGCOMM 2017

Best Paper Award

https://web.mit.edu/marple/

#### • Throughput-Fairness Tradeoffs in Mobility Platforms

Arjun Balasingam, Karthik Gopalakrishnan, Radhika Mittal†, Venkat Arun, Ahmed Saeed, Mohammad Alizadeh, Hamsa Balakrishnan, Hari Balakrishnan

ACM MobiSys 2021

## PAST EXPERIENCE

Intern, Facebook inc. Fall 2020

Experimented with and helped improve WAN congestion control at Facebook.

Intern, Max Planck Institute for Software Systems

Profs. Deepak Garg, Peter Druschel, and Krishna Gummadi

Designed a cryptographically secure allegation escrow (SAE), the first such design to our knowledge

Intern, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

 $Summer\ 2015$ 

Summer 2016

Prof. Hari Balakrishnan

Developed Copa, a new general purpose congestion control algorithm for the wide-internet

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- ACM SIGCOMM Best Paper Award, 2017
- Jacobs Presidential Fellowship, 2017 (MIT)
- President of India Gold Medal, 2017 (IIT Guwahati)
- Institute Merit Scholarship, 2015 and 2016 (IIT Guwahati)
- KVPY Government of India Scholarship, 2013