VIJAY SADASHIVAIAH

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EDUCATION

Johns Hopkins University, Whiting School of Engineering

Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering, GPA: 3.87/4.00

Thesis: "Towards Pain Control by Modelling the Interactions in a Mammalian Nerve Fiber"

Visvesvaraya Technological University, PES Institute of Technology Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication Engineering, GPA: 9.32/10.00

Visiting student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Thesis: "Transient Imaging: Seeing the Unseen"

Bengaluru, India

Baltimore, MD

May 2017

May 2015

June - September 2014

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Recipient, Biomedical Engineering Departmental Fellowship - Johns Hopkins University	2015 - 2017
Semi-finalist, Data Incubator Challenge - The Data Incubator	2017
Recipient, Foundation Leenaards' Summer Research Fellowship - EPFL	2015
Recipient, University Merit Scholarship - PES Institute of Technology	2011 - 2015
Recipient, "Code Something that Matters" Scholarship - Vecna Robotics	2015
Global Finalist, Vertech City Challenge - Vertech Symposium	2014
Winner, Best Student Project - IEEE International Conference on Impact of E-Technology on US	2014
Global Finalist, Intel Global Challenge - UC Berkeley	2013
Finalist, Biotechnology Entrepreneurship Student Teams (BEST) - Department of Biotechnology, India	2013
Global Semi-finalist, Go Green in the City - Schneider Electric	2013
Winner, Best Project Award - Innovation for a Better Tomorrow (IBETO)	2013

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Lieber Institute for Brain Development, Research Associate

Adviser: Dr. Qiang Chen, Data Science/Computational Biology

August 2017 - Present Baltimore, MD

- Exploring novel data driven methods to analyze imaging genetics data from developmental brain disorders
- Building supervised learning models to identify underlying biological pathways in Schizophrenia
- Developed models are based on Deep Neural Network (CNN's) and Support Vector Machine frameworks
- Presented preliminary results at local and international scientific meetings [P1, P2, C1, C2]
- Technical Skills: Python, R, SQL, Tensorflow, Keras, SPM, Linux

Johns Hopkins University, Research Assistant

Adviser: Dr. Sridevi V. Sarma, Neuromedical Control Systems Lab

September 2015 - May 2017

Baltimore, MD

- Spearheaded collaboration between 3 principal investigators for thesis work
- Constructed probabilistic, functional & mechanistic models of mammalian nerve fiber using mathematical tools
- Quantified the interactions in a nerve fiber to test the performance of electrical nerve stimulation
- Optimized our codebase by 70% and storage by 60% by developing efficient NEURON scripts
- Amalgamated the findings into a journal article [P4]
- Technical Skills: MATLAB, NEURON, Unix, Linux

Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Summer Researcher

Adviser: Dr. Carl Petersen, Laboratory of Sensory Processing

June 2015 - August 2015 Lausanne, Switzerland

- Studied the neural circuits involved in goal directed sensorimotor interactions
- Analyzed over 1.5 TB of voltage sensitive dye images across multiple trials
- Developed an interactive graphical platform to visualize neuroimagaing data on MATLAB
- Co-authored a journal article [P7]
- Technical Skills: MATLAB, Python, Igor Pro, Linux

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Summer Researcher

Adviser: Dr. Ramesh Raskar, Camera Culture Lab

June 2014 - September 2014 Cambridge, MA

- Designed a high speed imaging system to capture light in motion (Bachelor's thesis)
- Improved the depth resolution of conventional imaging system using multi-frequency light sources
- Authored a do it yourself manual for the imagaing system
- Featured on MIT website and BBC news
- Technical Skills: Verilog, MATLAB, C, Linux, Circuit design, Optics

PES Institute of Technology, Undergraduate Researcher

Adviser: Dr. Srinivas A, Healthcare Innovation Lab

June 2012 - May 2014 Bengaluru, India

- Collaborated with local and international hospitals to analyze real world clinical data
- Used signal processing techniques learnt in class to analyze human physiology data
- Worked on time series analysis of EKG, Skin Conductance, ERG etc
- Presented results at international technical conferences and competitions [C6]
- Technical Skills: Verilog, MATLAB, Rapid prototyping, Circuit design, Arduino, Raspberry Pi, Sensors

PUBLICATIONS

- P1 Sadashivaiah, V., Goldman, A., Ulrich, B., Radulescu, E., Breman, K. F., Mattay, V. S., Weinberger, D. R., Chen, Q.; Using machine learning to identify novel neuroimaging phenotypes associated with cognitive dysfunction in Schizophrenia. (in preparation)
- P2 Sadashivaiah, V., Goldman, A., Ulrich, B., Straub, R. E., Calliott, J. H., Breman, K. F., Mattay, V. S., Weinberger, D. R., Chen, Q.; Exploring Shared Brain Cognitive Networks and the Related Genetic Components using Three-way Parallel ICA. (in preparation)
- P3 Ren, M., Chen, Q., Sadashivaiah, V., Li, Y., Zhu, S., Mezeivtch, K., Hu, Z., Qin, LS L., Li, X., Tian, Q., Parades, D., Zhu, J., Wang, K. H., Weinberger, D. R., Yang, F.; Abnormal hippocampal-mPFC synchrony in the KCNH2-3.1 transgenic mouse model. (in preparation)
- P4 Sadashivaiah V., Sacre P., Guan Y., Anderson W. S., Sarma S. V.; Modeling the interactions between stimulation and physiologically induced APs in a mammalian nerve fiber: dependence on frequency and fiber diameter. (in review)
- P5 Sadashivaiah, V., Sacré, P., Guan, Y., Anderson, W. S., Sarma, S. V.; Studying the Interactions in a Mammalian Nerve Fiber: A Functional Modeling Approach, 40th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society, Honalulu, Hawaii, 2018. (in press)
- P6 Sadashivaiah, V., Sacré, P., Guan, Y., Anderson, W. S., Sarma, S. V.; Selective Relay of Afferent Sensory Induced Action Potentials from Peripheral Nerve to Brain and the Effects of Electrical Stimulation, 40th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society, Honalulu, Hawaii, 2018. (in press)
- P7 Kyriakatos A., Sadashivaiah V., Zhang Y., Motta A., Auffret M., Petersen C. H.; Voltage-sensitive dye imaging of mouse neocortex during a whisker detection task, Neurophotonics.
- P8 Sadashivaiah, V., Sacré, P., Guan, Y., Anderson, W. S., Sarma, S. V.; Electrical neurostimulation of a mammalian nerve fibers: A probabilistic versus mechanistic approach, 39th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society, Jeju Island, South Korea, 2017.
- P9 Gunnarsdottir, K., Sadashivaiah, V., Kerr, M., Santaniello, S., Sarma, S. V.; Using Demographic and Time Series Physiological Features to Classify Sepsis in the Intensive Care Unit, 38th Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine & Biology Society, Florida, 2016.
- P10 Das, A., Swedish, T., Wahi, A., Moufarrej, M., Noland, M., Gurry, T., Michel, E. M., Aksel, D., Wagh, S., Sadashivaiah, V., Zhang, X., Raskar, R.; Mobile phone based mini-spectrometer for rapid screening of skin cancer. Proc. SPIE 9482, Next-Generation Spectroscopic Technologies VIII, 94820M (June 3, 2015).

PRESENTATIONS

C1 Sadashivaiah, V., Goldman, A., Ulrich, B., Radulescu, E., Breman, K. F., Mattay, V. S., Weinberger, D. R., Chen, Q.; Using machine learning to identify novel neuroimaging phenotypes associated with cognitive dysfunction in Schizophrenia, 48th Annual Meeting of Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA, 2018. (Oral)

- C2 Sadashivaiah, V., Goldman, A., Ulrich, B., Straub, R. E., Calliott, J. H., Breman, K. F., Mattay, V. S., Weinberger, D. R., Chen, Q.; Exploring Shared Brain Cognitive Networks and the Related Genetic Components using Three-way Parallel ICA, 73rd Annual Meeting of Society of Biological Psychiatry, New York, NY, 2018. (Poster)
- C3 Chen, Q., Ursini, G., Sadashivaiah, V., Radulescu, B., Straub, R. E., Breman, K. F., Mattay, V. S., Weinberger, D. R., Deciphering the association between polygenic risk for schizophrenia and hippocampal function, XXVth World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics, Orlando, FL, 2017. (Poster)
- C4 Ren, M., Chen, Q., Sadashivaiah, V., Li, Y., Zhu, S., Mezeivtch, K., Hu, Z., Qin, LS L., Li, X., Tian, Q., Parades, D., Zhu, J., Wang, K. H., Weinberger, D. R., Yang, F., Abnormal hippocampal-mPFC synchrony in the KCNH2-3.1 transgenic mouse model, 47th Annual Meeting of Society for Neuroscience, Washington D.C., 2017. (Poster)
- C5 Sadashivaiah V., Kyriakatos A., Zhang Y., Motta A., Auffret M., Petersen C. H.; Neural Circuits for goal-directed Sensorimotor Transformations, SRP and SUR Summer Research Symposium, EPFL School of Life Sciences, Lausanne, Switzerland, 2015. (Poster)
- C6 Pavan, K. R., Rao, S. A., Rao, V. V., Bongale, V. A., **Sadashivaiah, V.**; Real Time Non-Invasive Cardiac Health Monitoring System, International Conference on Emergency Medical Service Systems Innovation & Entrepreneurship in Healthcare, AIIMS, New Delhi, India. October 2013. (Oral)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Johns Hopkins University, Graduate Teaching Assistant

September 2015 - May 2017

Models and Simulations, Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics, Systems Bioengineering III

Baltimore, MD

- Assisted faculty in designing and proof-reading assignments
- Evaluated student assignments and quizzes, attended faculty led meetings

MIT Media Lab - Camera Culture Lab, Mentor

May 2014

Kumbathon: Smart Cities Hackathon

Cambridge, MA

- Trained with a group of MIT undergraduates to build smart city related projects
- Traveled to Nasik, India to mentor projects at Kumbathon workshop
- Assisted groups with signal processing and big data

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mentor

Rethinking Engineering Design Execution (REDX) Hackathon

January 2014 Mumbai, India

- \bullet Guided ${\sim}20$ students in design and execution of innovative healthcare solutions
- Projects involved for e.g., design of low cost, data driven ELISA system for rural imaging laboratories
- Collaborated with doctors and researchers from MGH, Dana Faber Cancer Institute, Perkins Blind School etc.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Johns Hopkins University, Advocacy Chair

May 2016 – May 2017

Graduate Representative Organization

Baltimore, MD

- Organized town halls every quarter with university administration to advocate graduate student needs and issues
- Facilitated discussion of topics including student healthcare, maternity leave and dining options on campus
- Assisted Social Chairs in organizing social and cultural events on campus

PES Institute of Technology, Core Team

May 2013 – May 2015

IEEE Student Branch

Bengaluru, India

- Organized technical workshops for student community with invited speakers from industry and academia
- Led a team of 5 to successfully organize a Spring Hackathon, "Circuitus". Over 200 students participated

SKILLS

Programming: Proficient in Python, MATLAB, R, IATEX, SQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, bash scripting

Libraries: TensorFlow, Keras, NEURON, SPM, git, OpenCV, Microsoft Office

Data & Models: Deep Learning, Statistical Learning, Stochastic Modeling, Data Visualization, Big Data

INTERESTS

Rock Climbing, Taekwondo (ITF), Backpacking, Photography, Board Games, House Projects