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Research Interests

Applied probability theory, asymptotic statistics, mathematical biology, data science.

Education

2014 – 2018 **Ph.D. (Dr. rer. nat.), summa cum laude (with distinction)**, Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany.

Thesis: Model reductions for queueing and agent-based systems with applications in communication networks

Advisor: Heinz Koeppl

2009 – 2011 Master of Statistics (M.Stat.), Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, India.

2006 – 2009 **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) with Honours in Statistics**, *University of Calcutta*, Kolkata, India.

Professional Experience

- Jan 2020 **President's Postdoctoral Scholar**, *Mathematical Biosciences Institute, The Ohio State University*, Columbus, Ohio, USA.
- Oct 2018 Postdoctoral Researcher, Mathematical Biosciences Institute, The Ohio State
- Dec 2019 *University*, Columbus, Ohio, USA.
- Jan 2014 Research Associate, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany.
 - Sep 2018 Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology
- Jun 2011 Manager, ICICI Bank, Mumbai, India.
 - Dec 2013 Advanced Analytics, Business Intelligence Unit (BIU)

Publications

Peer-reviewed journal publications

- [1] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Boseung Choi, Eben Kenah, and Grzegorz Rempała. Survival Dynamical Systems for the Population-level Analysis of Epidemics. *Interface Focus*, 10(1), 2020.
- [2] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Arnab Auddy, Yann Disser, and Heinz Koeppl. Approximate lumpability for markovian agent-based models using local symmetries. *Journal of Applied Probability*, 56, 9 2019.

- [3] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Sounak Kar, Bastian Alt, Amr Rizk, and Heinz Koeppl. Generalized cost-based job scheduling in very large cluster systems. *IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems*, 2020. Accepted for publication.
- [4] Boseung Choi, Sydney Busch, Dieudonné Kazadi, Benoit Ilunga, Emile Okitolonda, Yi Dai, Robert Lumpkin, Omar Saucedo, Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Joseph Tien, Marcel Yotebieng, Eben Kenah, and Grzegorz A. Rempała. Modeling Outbreak Data: Analysis of a 2012 Ebola Virus Disease Epidemic in DRC. BIOMATH, 8(2), 2019.
- [5] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Amr Rizk, Sounak Kar, and Heinz Koeppl. Provisioning and performance evaluation of parallel systems with output synchronization. ACM Transactions on Modeling and Performance Evaluation of Computing Systems (TOMPECS), 4(1), 3 2019.
- [6] Hye-Won Kang*, **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh***, Heinz Koeppl, and Grzegorz Rempała. Quasisteady-state approximations derived from a stochastic enzyme kinetics. *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology*, 81(5):1303–1336, 2019. *joint first authors.
- [7] Bastian Alt, Markus Weckesser, Christian Becker, Matthias Hollick, Sounak Kar, Anja Klein, Robin Klose, Roland Kluge, Heinz Koeppl, Boris Koldehofe, Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Mahdi Mousavi, Martin Pfannemueller, Amr Rizk, Andy Schuerr, and Ralf Steinmetz. Transitions: A protocol-independent view of the future internet. *Proceedings of the IEEE*, 107(4):835–846, 4 2019.
- [8] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Julius Rückert, Julian Wulfheide, David Hausheer, and Heinz Koeppl. Schedmix: Heterogeneous strategy assignment in swarming-based live streaming. *Open Transactions on Communication Systems (OTCS)*, 2019. Accepted for publication.

Peer-reviewed conference proceedings

- [9] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Bastian Alt, Sounak Kar, Amr Rizk, and Heinz Koeppl. Collaborative uploading in heterogeneous networks: Optimal and adaptive strategies. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM)*, pages 1–9, 4 2018. < 20% acceptance rate. Best-in-Session Presentation Award.
- [10] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Amr Rizk, Alexander Frömmgen, and Heinz Koeppl. Optimizing Stochastic Scheduling in Fork-Join Queueing Models: Bounds and Applications. In *IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM)*, pages 1–9, 5 2017. $\sim 20\%$ acceptance rate.
- [11] Adrian Šošić, **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh**, A. M. Zourbir, and Heinz Koeppl. Inverse reinforcement learning in swarm systems. In *AAMAS Workshop on Transfer in Reinforcement Learning*, May 2017. Available: http://www.tirl.info/proceedings/2017/SosicEtal-Inverse.pdf.
- [12] Adrian Šošić, **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh**, A. M. Zourbir, and Heinz Koeppl. Inverse reinforcement learning in swarm systems. In *International Conference on Autonomous Agents & Multiagent Systems (AAMAS)*, page 14131421, 5 2017. $\sim 26\%$ acceptance rate, Best Paper Award Finalist.
- [13] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Julius Rückert, Julian Wulfheide, David Hausheer, and Heinz Koeppl. Analysing and Leveraging Client Heterogeneity in Swarming-based Live Streaming. In *IFIP Networking Conference (IFIP Networking) and Workshops*, pages 386–394, 5 2016. $\sim 26\%$ acceptance rate.

[14] Mahdi Mousavi, Hussein Al Shatri, Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Heinz Koeppl, and Anja Klein. Cross-Layer QoE-based Incentive Mechanism for Video Streaming in Multi-Hop Wireless Networks. In IEEE 86th Vehicular Technology Conference (VTC), 9 2017.

Preprints/Submitted

[15] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Casper Woroszylo, Grzegorz Rempała, and Heinz Koeppl. A Functional Central Limit Theorem for Susceptible-Infected (SI) Process on Configuration Model Graphs. *Advances in Applied Probability*, 2020. Under revision. ArXiv preprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/1703.06328.

Manuscripts in progress

- [16] **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh***, Hye-Won Kang, and Grzegorz Rempała. Incorporating delays into biophysical models. *Physical Biology*, 2020. *Invited paper.
- [17] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Boseung Choi, Eben Kenah, and Grzegorz Rempała. PDE and Stochastic PDE limits for biochemical reaction networks, 2020.
- [18] Zaynab Diallo, **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh**, and Eben Kenah. Semiparametric pairwise regression for infectious disease transmission with external sources of infection, 2020.
- [19] Caleb Deen Bastian, Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh, Yuhan Pan, Eben Kenah, and Grzegorz A. Rempała. Predicting the Size and Duration of COVID-19 Outbreaks under Minimal Assumptions, 2020.

Thesis and technical notes

- [20] Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh. Model reductions for queueing and agent-based systems with applications in communication networks. PhD thesis, Technische Universität, Darmstadt, 2018. Available at: http://tuprints.ulb.tu-darmstadt.de/7588/.
- [21] **Wasiur R. KhudaBukhsh**, Mark Sinzger, and Heinz Koeppl. Bounds on the spectral radius of real-valued non-negative kernels on measurable spaces. Technical report, 2018. arXiv preprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.00258.

Awards and Funding

Awards

- 1. 2019 Presidents Postdoctoral Scholars Program (PPSP) of the Ohio State University
- 2. Best-in-Session Presentation Award at the IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (IEEE INFOCOM), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, 2018.

Funding

1. The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) travel grant (Kongressreise) to participate in the Annual Meeting of the SMB in Sydney, Australia (~ 2000 EUR)

Presentations

Summary: 7 invited and 12 contributed/seminar talks. 5 poster presentations.

Invited talks

1. Biostatistics Seminar, the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA, February 28, 2020

- 2. Mathematical Modeling and Statistical Analysis of Infectious Disease Outbreaks, CIRM, Marseille, France, February 21, 2020
- 3. Mini-symposium speaker at the Annual Meeting of the SMB, Montreal, Canada, 2019
- 4. Mini-symposium speaker at the International Conference on Mathematical Methods and Models in Biosciences (BioMath), June 2019, Poland
- 5. BIRS-CMO workshop on "Scaling Limits of Dynamical Processes on Random Graphs", May 2019, Oaxaca, Mexico
- 6. Mini-symposium speaker at the Annual Meeting of the SMB and the JSMB, Sydney, Australia, 2018
- 7. Cloud Computing, Machine Learning And Networking Research (CLAN) Lab, Purdue University (May, 2017), Host: Vaneet Aggarwal

Contributed talks

- 1. Mathematical Biosciences Institute (MBI) Seminar, Columbus, Ohio, USA, March 31, 2020 (Postponed)
- 2. MBI Workshop on Mathematical and Computational Methods in Biology, May 6, 2020
- 3. International Indian Statistical Association Conference (IISA 2019), Mumbai, India, December 28, 2019
- 4. Latin American Congress of Probability and Mathematical Statistics (CLAPEM) XV, Merida-Yucatán, México, December, 2019
- 5. Mathematical Biosciences Institute (MBI) Seminar, Columbus, Ohio, USA, October, 2019
- 6. Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) American Statistical Association, Colorado, USA, 2019
- 7. Stochastic Processes and their Applications, Bernoulli Society, Northwestern University, July 2019, USA
- 8. International Conference on Mathematical Methods and Models in Biosciences (BioMath), June 2019, Poland
- 9. Mathematical Biosciences Institute (MBI) Seminar, Columbus, Ohio, USA, 2019
- IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (IEEE INFOCOM), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA, 2018
- 11. IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (IEEE INFOCOM), Atlanta, GA, USA, 2017
- 12. IFIP Networking Conference and Workshops, Vienna, Austria, 2016

Poster presentations

- 1. Mathematical Models in Evolutionary Biology conference, CIRM, Marseilles, France, February 10-14 2020
- 2. Annual Meeting of the Infectious Disease Institute, The Ohio State University, September 2019, Columbus, OH, USA
- 3. Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) American Statistical Association, Colorado, USA, 2019
- 4. CMCF Algorithms and Methods for Single Cell Genomics, University of California, Irvine, June 2019, USA
- 5. BIRS-CMO workshop on "Scaling Limits of Dynamical Processes on Random Graphs", May 2019, Oaxaca, Mexico

Teaching Experience

 STAT 4201: Introduction to Mathematical Statistics Department of Statistics, The Ohio State University, USA

Role: Instructor

Terms: Fall semester 2019 (> 120 students)

2. PUBHBIO7193: Individual studies in Biostatistics (Advanced stochastic epidemiology)

Division of Biostatistics, The Ohio State University, USA

Role: Instructor (jointly with Eben Kenah)

Terms: Summer semester 2019

3. Computational Methods for Systems and Synthetic Biology (CMSSB)

Department of Electrical Engineering and Information Technology, Technische Universität Darm-

stadt, Germany

Role: Teaching Assistant

Terms: Summer semester 2016, Summer semester 2017

Student Supervision and Mentoring

Summary: (Co-) Supervised a total of 12 undergrad (B.Sc.) and 6 M.Sc. students.

M.Sc. Students

- 1. Robert Lumpkin, 2019, Master degree project (jointly with Prof. Greg Rempala), Department of Mathematics, The Ohio State University, USA (resulted in the publication [4])
- 2. Arnab Auddy, 2017, Summer internship, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany (resulted in the publication [2])
- 3. Markus Schanz, 2017, Master thesis (jointly with Christian Koch), Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany
- 4. Hameer Abbasi, 2017, Master thesis (jointly with Bastian Alt), Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany
- 5. Ranjani Krishnan, 2018, Master thesis (jointly with Denny Stohr), Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany
- 6. Sayantan Kumar, 2018, Summer internship, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany (*manuscript to be submitted for publication*)

Outreach and Service

COVID-19 Modelling Response

1. Provided service to the Ohio Department of Health and Ohio Hospital Association as part of the OSU/IDI COVID-19 response modelling team. Provided daily predictions of COVID-19 cases and resultant hospital burden in the state of Ohio, USA.

Organizing conferences

- 1. Invited session at the IMS Asia Pacific Rim Meeting, Melbourne, Australia, January 5-8, 2021 (pending acceptance. Jointly with Gursharn Kaur)
- 2. Mini-symposium at the SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science (MDS20), Cincinnati, OH, USA, May 4-8, 2020 (jointly with Veronica Ciaconel) *Postponed*
- 3. Contributed Session at the Latin American Congress of Probability and Mathematical Statistics (CLAPEM) XV, Merida-Yucatán, México, December, 2019 (jointly with Hye-Won Kang)
- 4. Session at the 2019 International Indian Statistical Association Conference (IISA 2019), Mumbai, India, December 2019 (jointly with Arindam Fadikar)

Tutorials

- 1. "How to write scientific papers" for MBI REU students, 2019
- 2. "Introduction to epidemic modelling" for SAMMS REU students, 2019

Mentoring REUs

- 1. MBI REUs, Summer 2019
- 2. Ohio 5 SURE students at the College of Public Health, OSU, 2019

Reviewer

- 1. Journal of Chemical Physics
- 2. IEEE Multi-Conference on Systems and Control, Sydney, Australia, 2015
- 3. Journal of Mathematical Biology
- 4. IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control
- 5. IEEE Transactions on Networking
- 6. IEEE Transactions on Control of Network Systems
- 7. Journal of Mathematics in Industry
- 8. PLOS One
- 9. American Control Conference (ACC)

Other Services

- 1. Judge for the OSU Mathematical Contest for Modeling, 2018, 2019
- 2. Judge for OPA travel awards, the Ohio State University, 2019

Professional Memberships

- 1. Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)
- 2. Bernoulli Society for Mathematical Statistics and Probability
- 3. The Society for Mathematical Biology (SMB)
- 4. American Statistical Association (ASA)
- 5. American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

Computer Skills

Programming C, R, Python, SQL, Julia

Languages

Software Matlab, SAS, Microsoft Office, LATEX

Languages

English Professional Proficiency

Bengali Mother Tongue

Hindi Working Knowledge

German Intermediate (B1 level)

References

Available upon request.