ABISHEK SANKARARAMAN

EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D. (Applied Mathematics and Computer Science)

Sep. 2013 - Sep 2019

• Thesis: Spatial Stochastic Models for Network Analysis

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

B. Tech and M. Tech in Electrical Engineering, Minor in Mathematics

Aug 2008 - May 2013

EMPLOYMENT

Amazon Web Services (AWS)

Senior ML Scientist Applied Scientist

Santa Clara, CA Jul 2023 - Present Aug 2020 - May 2023

- Key Words: Anomaly detection, online algorithms, change detection, heavy tails.
- Lead scientist in the conceptualization, design, implementation and launch of GuardDuty for RDS Protection generating X-MM \$ monthly revenue within a few months of launch.
- Develop algorithms for non-stationary, real time machine learning, with product applications to new services in security and database optimization.
- Actively publish first-author papers in top ML conferences.

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley,CA

Postdoctoral Researcher, Advisor: Venkat Anantharam

Sep 2019 - Jul 2020

- Devised and led a research program on multi-agent reinforcement learning resulting in multiple, first author papers in top ML conferences.
- Mentored PhD students for their thesis on related topics.

JOURNAL PAPERS Decentralized Competing Bandits in Non-Stationary Matching Markets,

Avishek Ghosh, Abishek Sankararaman, Kannan Ramchandran, Tara Javidi, Arya Mazumdar IEEE Transactions in Information Theory, 2024.

Model Selection for Generic Contextual Bandits,

Avishek Ghosh, Abishek Sankararaman and Kannan Ramachandran

IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, 2023.

Multi-Agent Low-Dimensional Linear Bandits

Ronshee Chawla, Abishek Sankararaman, Sanjay Shakkottai

IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, 2022.

Ergodicity and steady state analysis for Interference Queueing Networks

Sayan Banerjee, Abishek Sankararaman,

AMS Contemporary Mathematics: Special volume in honor of M. M. Rao, 2021.

Stability and Scalability of Blockchain Systems

Aditya Gopalan, A. Sankararaman, Anwar Walid and Sriram Vishwanath

Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (PO-MACS), June 2020.

Community Detection on Euclidean Random Graphs

A.Sankararaman, Emmanuel Abbe and François Baccelli

Information and Inference: A journal of the IMA, June 2020.

ComHapDet: A Spatial Community Detection Algorithm for Haplotype Assembly

A. Sankararaman, Haris Vikalo and François Baccelli

BMC Genomics, 2020.

Social Learning in Multi-Agent Multi-Armed Bandit Problem

A. Sankararaman, Ayalvadi Ganesh and Sanjay Shakkottai

Proceedings of the ACM on Measurement and Analysis of Computing Systems (PO-MACS), Dec 2019.

Interference Queueing Networks on Grids

A. Sankararaman, François Baccelli and Sergey Foss

Annals of Applied Probability, October 2019, Vol. 29, No. 5, 2929-2987.

Spatial Birth-Death Wireless Networks

A.Sankararaman and François Baccelli

IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, June 2017, 63 (6), 3964-3982.

PEER-REVIEWED CONFERENCE

Papers

Online robust non-stationary estimation,

Abishek Sankararaman, Balakrishnan (Murali) Narayanaswamy

NeurIPS 2023 (Acceptance Rate 26%)

Double Auctions with Two-sided Bandit Feedback,,

Soumya Basu, Abishek Sankararamany

NeurIPS 2023 (Acceptance Rate 26%)

Online heavy-tailed change point detection,

Abishek Sankararaman, Balakrishnan (Murali) Narayanaswamy

UAI 2023 (Acceptance Rate 30%)

FITNESS (\underline{Fi} ne \underline{T} une on \underline{Ne} w and \underline{S} imilar \underline{S} amples) to detect online anomalies on streams with drift and outliers.

<u>Abishek Sankararaman,</u> Balakrishnan (Murali) Narayanaswamy, Vikramank Singh, Zhao Song **ICML 2022** (Acceptance Rate 19%)

Breaking the \sqrt{T} Barrier: Instance Independent Logarithmic Regret for Contextual Bandits,

Avishek Ghosh, Abishek Sankararaman,

ICML 2022 (Acceptance Rate 19%)

Multi-agent Heterogeneous Stochastic Linear Bandits,

Avishek Ghosh, <u>Abishek Sankararaman</u> (Joint First Authors) and Kannan Ramachandran **ECML-PKDD 2022** (Acceptance Rate 27%)

Beyond $\log^2(T)$ Regret in Decentralized Matching Bandits,

Soumya Basu, Karthik Abinav Sankararaman and Abishek Sankararaman,

ICML 2021 (Acceptance Rate 21%)

Dominate or Delete: Decentralized Competing Bandits in Serial Dictatorship,

Abishek Sankararaman, Soumya Basu (Joint First Authors) and Karthik Abinav Sankararaman AISTATS 2021 (Acceptance Rate 27%)

Problem-Complexity Adaptive Model Selection for Stochastic Linear Bandits,

Avishek Ghosh, Abishek Sankararaman and Kannan Ramachandran

AISTATS 2021 (Acceptance Rate 27%)

The Gossiping Insert-Eliminate Algorithm for Multi Agent Multi Armed Bandits

Ronshee Chawla*, <u>Abishek Sankararaman</u>*, Ayalvadi Ganesh and Sanjay Shakkottai **AISTATS 2020** [Joint First Authors] (Acceptance Rate 20%)

Social Learning in Multi-Agent Multi-Armed Bandit Problem

Abishek Sankararaman, Ayalvadi Ganesh and Sanjay Shakkottai

ACM SIGMETRICS 2020 (Acceptance Rate 20%)

Stability and Scalability of Blockchain Systems

Aditya Gopalan, Abishek Sankararaman, Anwar Walid and Sriram Vishwanath

ACM SIGMETRICS 2020 (Acceptance Rate 20%)

ComHapDet: A Spatial Community Detection Algorithm for Haplotype Assembly

Abishek Sankararaman, Haris Vikalo and François Baccelli

ACM CNB-MAC 2019. (Acceptance Rate 30%)

Community Detection on Euclidean Random Graphs

Abishek Sankararaman, Emmanuel Abbe and François Baccelli

ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), 2018. (Acceptance Rate 20%)

Spatial Birth-Death Wireless Networks

Abishek Sankararaman and François Baccelli

Allerton, October 2016. (Acceptance Rate 35%)

Performance-Oriented Association in Large Cellular Networks with Technology Diversity

Abishek Sankararaman, Jeong woo Cho and François Baccelli

International Teletraffic Congress (ITC), 2016. (Acceptance Rate 25%)

CSMA k-SIC: A class of distributed MAC protocols and their performance evaluation

Abishek Sankararaman and François Baccelli

IEEE Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM), 2015. (Acceptance Rate 19%)

Congestion Control of Smart Distribution Grids using State Estimation

Abishek Sankararaman and Balakrishnan Narayanaswamy

IEEE COMSNETS, E6 Workshop, 2013. (Acceptance Rate 40%)

AWARDS

- Student Leadership Award, UT Austin, 2018.
- Conference Travel Awards ACM SODA 2018, NeurIPS 2018, Stochastic Networks 2016, 2018
- DAAD WISE Scholar, 2011

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

Advanced Probability - Inference and Learning, Teaching Assistant, Probability and Stochastic Processes (Graduate), Teaching Assistant, Spring 2018 Fall 2018

Duties include holding office hours, setting homework and exam problems.

Undergraduate Student Mentor - Mixing Times for Random Walks on Groups Spring 2018 Research supervisor for an undergraduate student project in the Mathematics Department in Probability

INVITED AND CONTRIBUTED TALKS • Interference Queuing Networks on Grids

Talk at INFORMS Applied Probability Society, Brisbane, Australia.	Jul 2019
Talk at UNC-Chapel Hill Probability Seminar, Chapel Hill, NC.	Feb 2019
Talk at Austin-TAMU Probability Seminar, Austin, TX.	May 2018
Talk at Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh UK	Feb 2018

• Community Detection on Euclidean Random Graphs

Talk at AMS Special Session on Stochastic Spatial Models, at the 202	20 Joint Mathematics Meeting,
Denver CO	Jan 2020
Talk at MIT Research Laboratory of Electronics, Cambridge MA	Dec 2018
Talk at University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA	Dec 2018
Talk at Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai	Jan 2018

Talk at ACM-SIAM SODA Conference, New Orleans, LA	Jan 2018
Talk at The University of Texas at Austin	May 2017

• Spatial Birth Death Process on the Continuum

Talk at Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai	Jan 2017
Talk at Princeton University	Nov 2016
Talk at Allerton Conference on Communication Control and Computing	Oct 2016
Talk at INRIA - Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris	Sep 2016

- Technology Diversity A Framework for Base Station Association in Large Cellular Networks
 Talk at 28th, International Teletraffic Congress (ITC-28), Würzburg, Germany
 Sep 2016
- CSMA k-SIC: A Class of MAC Protocols Talk at IEEE INFOCOM, Hong Kong

May 2015

Professional Services

• Reviewer for Journal of Applied Probability (JAP),	2019-2020
• Organizer for Random Structures Seminar at UT Austin Math dept.	2017-2019
• Reviewer for IEEE ISIT (International Symposium on Information Theory)	2019
• Reviewer for Queueing Systems Journal	2019
• Reviewer for ACM-SIAM SODA (Symposium on Discrete Algorithms)	2019
• Reviewer for IEEE FOCS (Foundations of Computer Science)	2018
• Reviewer for SpaSWIN (Spatial Stochastic Models for Wireless Networks)	2018
• Reviewer for Performance Evaluation	2017
• Reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Information Theory	2016-2019
• Reviewer for IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications	2015-2019