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Education

- 2015 - 2021** **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA
PhD, Operations Research; GPA: 5.0/5.0
Thesis: *Optimization for online platforms*
- 2009 - 2014** **Indian Institute of Technology Bombay**, Mumbai, India
Masters and Bachelors in Technology in Electrical Engineering , Minor in Computer Science
GPA: 9.32/10; Thesis: *Sleep-Wake Up Mechanisms for Cellular Heterogeneous Networks*
- 2012** **National University of Singapore**, Singapore
(Fall) Visiting student, GPA: 4.83/5

Published and Working Papers

- Healthcare Operations** “Preventing Opioid Overdose: From Prediction to Operationalization” with J. O. Jonasson, N. Kaw, N. Trichakis, A. Chen, J. Conte, A. Restaino, S. Volpe (under review)
- “The Limits to Learning a Diffusion Model” with J. Baek, V. F. Farias, A. Georgescu, R. Levi, T. Peng, J. Wilde, A. Zheng (under review)
- Online Platforms** “Multi-armed Bandits with Cost Subsidy” with K.A. Sankararama, A. Kazerouni, V. Avadhanula, International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics, 2021
- Featured in [Facebook research blog](#)
- “Optimizing offer sets in sub-linear time” with V.F. Farias, A.A. Li, ACM Conference on Economic and Computation, 2020 (journal version under review)
- Honorable mention in Jeff McGill Student Paper Award
- “Recommendations under Multi-Product Purchase Behavior” with T. Tulabandhula ,P. Patidar, Companion Proceedings of the Web Conference 2020 (journal version under review)
- “Optimizing Revenue while showing Relevant Assortments at Scale” with T. Tulabandhula and S. Karra , NIPS workshop on Nearest Neighbor Methods, 2017 (journal version under review)
- “Near Optimal AB testing” with N. Bhat, V.F. Farias, C.C. Moallemi, Management Science, 2019
- Agricultural Lending** “Interest Subvention for Crop Loans in India: Win-Win or Win-Lose” with D. Bhanot, V.F. Farias (to be submitted)
- Others** “Load Dependent Optimal ON-OFF Policies in Cellular Heterogeneous Networks”, with V. Kavitha and Abhay Karandikar, submitted to 5th International Workshop on Indoor and Outdoor Small Cells, Wiopt 2014.
- Best Paper Award at 5th International Workshop on Indoor and Outdoor Small Cells

"nPlug: An Autonomous Peak Load Controller", with T. Ganu, D.P. Seetharam, V. Arya, J. Hazra, R. Kunnath, L.C. De Silva, S.A. Husain and S. Kalyanaraman, submitted IEEE Journal on Selected Areas in Communication, July, 2013.

Work Experience

- 2020** **Facebook Inc.**, Menlo Park, CA
(Summer) *Research Scientist Intern, Core Data Science*
Developed algorithms for routing text messages leading to significant cost savings
- 2017** **Target Corporation**, Minneapolis
(Summer) *Intern, Revenue Management*
Built latent class choice models for predicting products purchase by different population groups
- 2016** **Xerox Research Centre India**, Bangalore, India
(Winter) *Intern, Revenue Management*
Worked on algorithms for fast assortment optimization over arbitrary feasible sets
- 2014 - 2015** **Deutsche Bank**, Mumbai, India
 Quant Analyst, Equity Product Development Team
Developed machine learning based multiday unwind and hedging strategies
- 2012** **IBM India Research Lab**, Bangalore, India
(Summer) *Intern, nPlug Scheduling Algorithms for Electric Vehicles and Inverters*
Worked on scheduling algorithms for home devices to ensure constant load on electrical grid

Talks

- Preventing Opioid Overdose: From Prediction to Operationalization*
INFORMS Healthcare Conference (virtual), 2021; INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2021, Anaheim (USA)
- Interest Subvention for Crop Loans in India: Win-Win or Win-Lose*
POMS 31st Annual Conference, 2021 (virtual); ISB OM Seminar, 2021 (virtual); INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2019, Seattle (USA)
- Recommendations under Multi-Product Purchase Behavior*
Manufacturing and Service Operations Management Conference 2021 (Special Interest Group), 2020 (virtual); INFORMS DMDA Workshop, 2020 (virtual); ORC Student Seminar, Fall 2020 (virtual)
- Optimizing offer sets in sub-linear time*
INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2020 (virtual); INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2017, Houston (USA); INFORMS Revenue Management & Pricing Section Conference, 2017, Amsterdam (Netherlands); 5th ISB-POMS Workshop, 2017, Hyderabad (India)
- Optimizing Revenue while showing Relevant Assortments at Scale*
INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2016, Nashville (USA); 6th ISB-POMS Workshop, 2018, Hyderabad (India)
- Detecting Early Stage Cancer using Liquid Biopsy*
INFORMS Annual Meeting, 2018, Phoenix (USA)

Load Dependent Optimal ON-OFF Policies in Cellular Heterogeneous Networks
12th International Symposium on Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad Hoc, and Wireless Networks (WiOpt), 2014, Hammamet (Tunisia)

Teaching Experience

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Teaching Assistant

2016, 2018, 2019 Introduction to Operations Management

2017 Analytics of Operations Management

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, India

Teaching Assistant

2014 Probability and Random Processes

2013 Communication Systems

2012, 2013 Data Analysis and Interpretation

Leadership Experience

2019 Organizer, Operations Research Centre Seminar, MIT

2016-2018 Member, Academic, Research and Careers Committee, MIT

2016-2017 INFORMS Officer and GWAMIT Departmental Representative, MIT

2013-2014 President, ShARE IITB

2011-2012 Internship Coordinator, Practical Training Committee, IITB

2010-2011 Vice President, Campus Radio, IITB

Honors and Awards

2020 Honorable mention in Jeff McGill Student Paper Award

2014 Best Paper Award at 5th International Workshop on Indoor and Outdoor Small Cells.

2014 Undergraduate Research Award

2012 Honda Young Engineer and Scientist Award (1 of 12 awardees in India)

2012 Temasek Foundation Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking Award (1 of 3 awardees in India)

2009 Dhirubhai Ambani Scholarship

Skills and Activities

Technical Skills: Python, MATLAB, C++, Scilab, LaTeX, q, SQL, Django

Certification: CFA Level I

Baking: <https://www.instagram.com/deefoodchronicles/>

Podcast: <https://anchor.fm/deeksha-sinha>

Other Interests: Traveling, Bollywood dancing, Running, Voice acting

Citizenship Citizen of India