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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Analysis of algorithms with applications to Social, Economic and Information Networks

## EDUCATION

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<b>Stanford University, Stanford, CA</b> Ph.D., Computational and Mathematical Engineering Advisors: Rajeev Motwani and Tim Roughgarden	09/2006 – 08/2010 GPA (4.0/4.0)
<b>Stanford University, Stanford, CA</b> M.S., Computational and Mathematical Engineering	09/2004 – 12/2006 GPA (3.8/4.0)

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

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Randomized Algorithms Foundations of Sponsored Search Algorithmic Game Theory Approximation Algorithms Stochastic Processes Discrete Mathematics and Algorithms Computational Methods in Data Mining Numerical Linear Algebra	Geometric Algorithms Advanced Graph Algorithms Information Networks Hardness of Approximation Information Theory Convex Optimization Large Scale Computing Numerical Optimization
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<b>Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi</b> B.Tech. Production and Industrial Engineering	08/1998 – 05/2002
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## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>Theory Group, Stanford University, CA</b> Research Associate	09/2007 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Analysis of Algorithms for Social, Economic and Information Networks<sup>1</sup></li></ul>	
<b>Search Group, Ravi Kumar, Yahoo Research</b> Summer Intern	06/2009 – 09/2009
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Development and analysis of algorithms for online learning of click-through rates<sup>1</sup></li></ul>	
<b>Search Labs, Sreenivas Gollapudi, Microsoft Research</b> Summer Intern	06/2008 – 09/2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Development and analysis of algorithms for diversification of search results<sup>1</sup></li></ul>	
<b>Search Quality, Paul Haahr, Google Inc</b> Summer Intern	07/2007 – 09/2007
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Designed and implemented a text disambiguation engine using Wikipedia</li><li>■ Built an index over Wikipedia from grounds-up and designed and implemented an algorithm to resolve ambiguities among input text</li><li>■ The index was subsequently used by two product teams in Google</li></ul>	

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<sup>1</sup>Please refer to the relevant publication for detailed descriptions.

- Development, analysis and implementation of algorithms for reverse nearest neighbor search<sup>1</sup>

**Stanford University Medical Media and Information Technologies (SUMMIT),** 09/2004 – 04/2006  
**Stanford University, CA**  
Research Associate

- Development of an open source surgical simulation system with the Stanford - NASA Bio-computation Center (<http://spring.stanford.edu>)
- Developed and implemented algorithms for enhanced visual experience and improving software performance using faster algorithms and code optimization.

**Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi**  
Research Associate

06/2002 – 08/2004

- Development of geometric meshes for folded airbags for use in crash simulations
- Developed and implemented a novel algorithm which minimizes change in the surface area and geometry of the airbag during folding

## PUBLICATIONS<sup>2</sup>

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- David Arthur, Rajeev Motwani, Aneesh Sharma, and Ying Xu. Pricing strategies for viral marketing on social networks. *Proceedings of the 5th Workshop on Internet and Network Economics*, pages 101–112, 2009
- Sreenivas Gollapudi and Aneesh Sharma. An Axiomatic Approach for Result Diversification. *Proceedings of the 18th International Conference on World Wide Web*, pages 381–390, 2009
- Christoph Aschwanden, Craig Cornelius, Lawrence Burgess, Kevin Montgomery, and Aneesh Sharma. Centralized Data Recording for a Distributed Surgical Skills Trainer to Facilitate Automated Proficiency Evaluation. *Medicine Meets Virtual Reality 15: In Vivo, in Vitro, in Silico: Designing the Next in Medicine*, 2007
- Sudipto Mukherjee Anoop Chawla and Aneesh Sharma. Development of FE Meshes for Folded Airbags. *International Journal of Crashworthiness*, 10(3):259–266, 2005
- Sudipto Mukherjee Anoop Chawla and Aneesh Sharma. Mesh Generation for Folded Airbags. *Computer-Aided Design and Applications*, 1(1-4):269–276, 2004

## MANUSCRIPTS<sup>2</sup>

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- Jon Kleinberg and Aneesh Sharma. Pricing Network Goods for Strategic Users, in preparation
- Aleksandra Korolova, Rajeev Motwani, and Aneesh Sharma. Caching Strategies for Social Networks, in preparation
- Satyen Kale, Mohammad Mahdian, Kunal Punera, Tamas Sarlos, and Aneesh Sharma. Learning Click-through Rates for Sponsored Search Advertisements, under submission
- David Arthur, Steve Oudot, and Aneesh Sharma. Finding Friends and Followers in Sub-linear Time, under submission

## SERVICE

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Reviewer for SODA, ICALP, EC, WINE, KDD and WSDM.

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<sup>1</sup>Please refer to the relevant publication for detailed descriptions.

<sup>2</sup>Many of these are available for download from my web page.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Vector Calculus for Engineers (Eric Darve)**

10/2006 – 12/2006

Teaching Assistant (Organized sections, held problem sessions and took stand-in lectures)

**Introduction to Numerical Methods in Engineering (Charbel Farhat)**

04/2006 – 06/2006

Teaching Assistant (Organized sections and held problem sessions)

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

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### PROGRAMMING AND SCRIPTING

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C C++ Python MATLAB  $\LaTeX$  C# Perl Shell Internet Scripting