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## Education

### Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. Candidate in Computational Science and Engineering, expected in June 2019, GPA: 4.8/5

Thesis title: Improving Resilience of Electricity Networks against Cyberphysical Failures

Committee: Saurabh Amin (advisor), Ian Hiskens (EECS), Ali Jadbabaie (IDSS/CEE), Carolina Osorio (CEE/ORC), Konstantin Turitsyn (MechE), Audun Botterud (LIDS)

M.S. in Transportation, February 2016, GPA: 4.8/5

### Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India

B. Tech., M. Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering, August 2012, GPA: 8.34/10

Thesis title: SketchRail - Railway Network Configuration Editor

Thesis advisors: Abhiram Ranade, Narayan Rangaraj

## Research Interests

Network and Combinatorial Optimization  
System Security and Interdiction

Resilience of Electricity Networks  
Post-Disaster System Restoration

## Academic Publications

### Journal Articles (published or submitted)

“Resilience of Electricity Distribution Networks - Part I: Cyber-physical disruption models,” with Saurabh Amin and Ian Hiskens. Submitted to *IEEE Transactions of Power Systems*, 2018.

“Resilience of Electricity Distribution Networks - Part II: Leveraging Microgrids,” with Saurabh Amin and Ian Hiskens. Submitted to *IEEE Transactions of Power Systems*, 2018.

“Security Assessment of Electricity Distribution Networks under DER Node Compromises,” with Saurabh Amin. *IEEE Transactions on Control of Networked Systems*, 2016.

### Book Chapter

“Towards Resilience-Aware Resource Allocation and Dispatch in Electricity Distribution Networks,” with Saurabh Amin and Ian Hiskens. *Book chapter in Springer/IMA volume on The Control of Energy Markets and Grids*, 2017.

### Articles in Preparation

“Leveraging DERs and Microgrids against Storm-induced Failures for Resilient Distribution Networks,” with Derek Chang and Saurabh Amin. Targeted for *IEEE Transactions of Power Systems*, 2019.

## Refereed Conference Proceedings

“Strategic DER Deployment and Line Repair Scheduling for Storm-induced Failures in Distribution Networks,” with Derek Chang and Saurabh Amin. *IEEE SmartGridComm*, Aalborg, 2018.

“Compromising Security of Economic Dispatch in Power System Operations,” with Pengfei Sun, Saman Zonouz and Saurabh Amin. *Dependable Systems and Networks*, 2017.

“A Distributed Strategy for Electricity Distribution Network Control in the face of DER Compromises,” with Jairo Giraldo and Saurabh Amin. *Conference on Decision and Control*, Osaka, 2015.

“Analyzing Vulnerability of Electricity Distribution Networks to DER Disruptions,” with Saurabh Amin. *American Control Conference*, 2015.

## Honors and Awards

- 2007 All India Rank 69 in IIT-Joint Entrance Exam out of over 250,000 candidates
- 2007 All India Rank 55 in All India Engineering Entrance Exam out over 650,000 candidates
- 2007 CBSE Merit Scholarship
- 2018 MIT Schoettler Scholarship Fund

## Presentations

*Towards Improving the Resilience of Power Systems*, presented at:

Los Alamos National Laboratory Seminar, Los Alamos, NM, August 2018

*Applications of Bilevel Mixed-Integer Programming to Power Systems Resilience*, presented at:

Industrial Engineering and Operations Research Seminar, IIT, Bombay, India, January 2018

*Quantifying Resilience of Electricity Distribution Networks to Cyberphysical Disruptions*, presented at:

Nexus Energy Seminar, MIT, December 2017

*Compromising Security of Economic Dispatch in Power System Operations*, presented at:

Dependable Systems and Networks, Denver, June 2017

*Vulnerability Analysis of Optimal Power Flow Problem under Cyberphysical Security Attacks*, presented at:

INFORMS Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, November 2016

*A Decentralized Strategy for Electricity Distribution Network Control under DER disruptions*, presented at:

Conference on Decision and Control, Osaka, Japan, December 2015

*Analyzing Vulnerability of Electricity Distribution Networks to DER disruptions*, presented at:

American Control Conference, Chicago, IL, July 2015

## Research Experience

### 2013 - Present

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA

*Graduate Research Assistant*

Advisor: Prof. Saurabh Amin

Developing network interdiction algorithms for smart electricity networks. Designing proactive resource allocation and response strategies for strategic as well as weather-induced failures. Collaborations with Prof. Ian Hiskens, Prof. Saman Zonouz, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Electric Power Research Institute & EDF Electricity Company.

## Summer 2018

**Los Alamos National Lab**, Los Alamos, NM

*Graduate Research Intern*

Supervisors: Nathan Lemons, Andrey Likhov, Sidhant Misra

Developed algorithm for online learning of power transmission dynamics from partial Phasor Measurement Unit (PMU) observations.

## 2012 - 2013

**Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay**, India

*Research Assistant*

Advisors: Abhiram Ranade, Narayan Rangaraj

Developed scheduling algorithms for rail transportation networks. Designed and implemented simulation model for evaluating robustness of the rail schedules.

## Personal, Skills

Citizenship: India

Languages: English, Hindi, Marathi

Computer Skills: C++, Java, Julia, Matlab, LaTeX

Interests: Indian classical vocals, Guitar

## References

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