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Assistant Professor, Computer Science
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Professional Experience

2021–present **Assistant Professor**, *Computer Science*, University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign.
Affiliate Positions: Electrical & Computer Engineering, Coordinated Science Laboratory

2019–2021 **Researcher & Industry Research Fellow**, *Microsoft*.

Education

2013–2019 **Ph.D., Computer Science**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*.

Advisor: Prof. Dina Katabi

ACM SIGCOMM Doctoral Dissertation Award

2013–2015 **S.M., Computer Science**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*.

Advisor: Prof. Dina Katabi

2009–2013 **B.Tech., Computer Science and Engineering**, *Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi*.

President of India Gold Medal, 2013

Graduate of the Last Decade, 2021

Conference Publications

MobiCom 2023 Transmitting, Fast and Slow: Scheduling Satellite Traffic through Space and Time
(To appear) Bill Tao, Maleeha Masood, Indranil Gupta, **Deepak Vasisht**

MobiCom 2023 BatMobility: Flying without Seeing for Lightweight Unmanned Aerial Vehicles
(To appear) Emerson Sie, Zikun Liu, **Deepak Vasisht**

NSDI 2023 Exploring Practical Vulnerabilities of Machine Learning-based Wireless Systems
Zikun Liu, Calvin Xu, Emerson Sie, Gagandeep Singh, **Deepak Vasisht**

MobiCom 2022 Non-Cooperative Wi-Fi Localization & its Privacy Implications
Ali Abedi, **Deepak Vasisht**

SIGCOMM 2022 RF-Protect: Privacy against Device-Free Human Tracking
Jayanth Shenoy, Zikun Liu, Bill Tao, Zachary Kabelac, **Deepak Vasisht**

ICRA 2022 RF-Annotate: Automatic RFID-Supervised Image Annotation of Common Objects in Context
Emerson Sie, **Deepak Vasisht**

IPSN 2022 MiLTON: Sensing Product Integrity without Opening the Box using Non-Invasive Acoustic Vibrometry
Akshay Gadre, **Deepak Vasisht**, Nikunj Raghuvanshi, Bodhi Priyantha, Manikanta Kotaru, Swarun Kumar, Ranveer Chandra

NSDI 2022 Enabling IoT Self-Localization Using Ambient 5G Signals
Suraj Jog, Junfeng Guan, Sohrab Madani, Ruochen Lu, Songbin Gong, **Deepak Vasisht**, Haitham Hassanieh

NSDI 2022 Whisper: IoT in the TV White Space Spectrum
Tusher Chakraborty, Heping Shi, Zerina Kapetanovic, Bodhi Priyantha, **Deepak Vasisht**, Andrew Nelson, Parag Pandit, Prasad Pillai, Yaswant Chabria, Binh Vu, Ranveer Chandra

- MobiCom 2021 FIRE: Enabling Reciprocity for FDD MIMO Systems
Zikun Liu, Gagandeep Singh, **Deepak Vasisht**
- SIGCOMM 2021 L2D2: Low Latency Distributed Downlink for Low Earth Orbit Satellites
Deepak Vasisht, Jayanth Shenoy, Ranveer Chandra
- HotNets 2020 A Distributed and Hybrid Ground Station Network for Low Earth Orbit Satellites
Deepak Vasisht, Ranveer Chandra
- MobiCom 2020 Deep Learning based Wireless Localization for Indoor Navigation
Roshan Ayyalasomayajula, Aditya Arun, Chenfeng Wu, Sanatan Sharma, Abhishek Sethi, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dinesh Bharadia
- ACM COMPASS 2019 Low-cost aerial imaging for small holder farmers
Aditya Jain, Zerina Kapetanovic, Akshit Kumar, Vasuki Narasimha Swamy, Rohit Patil, **Deepak Vasisht**, Rahul Sharma, Manohar Swaminathan, Ranveer Chandra, Anirudh Badam, Gireeja Ranade, Sudipta Sinha, Akshay Uttama Nambi S N
Best Paper Award
- SIGCOMM 2018 In-body Backscatter Communication and Localization
Deepak Vasisht, Guo Zhang, Omid Abari, Jay Flanz, Hsiao Ming-Lu, Dina Katabi
- UbiComp 2018 Duet: Estimating User Position and Identity in Smart Homes using Intermittent and Incomplete RF-Data
Deepak Vasisht, Anubhav Jain, Chen-Yu Hsu, Zachary Kabelac, Dina Katabi
- CoNEXT 2018 BLoc: CSI-based Accurate Localization for BLE Tags
Roshan Ayyalasomayajula, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dinesh Bharadia
- NSDI 2017 Farmbeats: An IoT Platform for Data-Driven Agriculture
Deepak Vasisht, Zerina Kapetanovic, Jongho Won, Xinxin Jin, Ranveer Chandra, Ashish Kapoor, Sudipta Sinha, Madhusudhan Sudarshan, Sean Stratman
- SIGCOMM 2016 Eliminating Channel Feedback in Next-Generation Cellular Networks
Deepak Vasisht, Swarun Kumar, Hariharan Rahul, Dina Katabi
Best Paper Award
- NSDI 2016 Decimeter-Level Localization with a Single WiFi Access Point
Deepak Vasisht, Swarun Kumar, Dina Katabi
- SIGCOMM 2015 Caraoke: An E-Toll Transponder Network for Smart Cities
Omid Abari, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dina Katabi
- IEEE FG 2015 Exploiting Sparsity and Co-occurrence Structure for Action Unit Recognition
Yale Song, Daniel McDuff, **Deepak Vasisht**, Ashish Kapoor
- SIGKDD 2014 Active Learning for Sparse Bayesian Multilabel Classification
Deepak Vasisht, Andreas Domianou, Manik Varma, Ashish Kapoor
- SIGCOMM 2014 RF-IDraw: Virtual Touch Screen in the Air Using RF Signals
Jue Wang, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dina Katabi

Awards and Achievements

- 2023 NSF CAREER Award
- 2022 Outstanding Advisor Award, Grainger College of Engineering, UIUC

- 2021 List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students, UIUC
- 2021 IIT Delhi Graduate of the Last Decade (GOLD) Award
- 2020 ACM SIGCOMM Doctoral Dissertation Award
- 2019 ACM COMPASS Best Paper Award
- 2016–18 Microsoft Research PhD Fellowship
- 2017 FarmBeats listed as one of ten projects that inspired him in 2017 by Satya Nadella.
- 2016 Winner, Microsoft Oneweek Hackathon (Industry Category)
- 2016 ACM SIGCOMM Best Paper Award
- 2013 President of India Gold Medal for the highest CGPA among graduating students at IIT Delhi
- 2013 MIT EECS Great Educators Fund Fellowship for academic year 2013-14
- 2010, 2008 Had the honour of attending Republic Day Parade from Prime Minister's box for being among the top 25 students (nationwide) in Secondary and Senior Secondary examinations (twice)

Teaching Experience

- Spring 2023 CS 438: Communication Networks, UIUC
- Spring 2022 CS 438: Communication Networks, UIUC
- Fall 2021 CS 498: Machine Learning in Wireless Systems, UIUC
- Spring 2021 CS 598: Wireless Networks and the Internet of Things, UIUC
List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students
- Fall 2015 (Teaching Assistant) Computer Networks, MIT
- Spring 2013 (Teaching Assistant) Data Structures, IIT Delhi

Service

- Working Group NIST, NSF, DoD NextG Communications Gap Analysis, 2022
- Program MIT Undergraduate Research Technology Conference, 2017
- Committee ACM SIGCOMM, 2020
- ACM MobiSys, 2021
- ACM MobiSys, 2022
- ACM HotNets, 2022
- ACM MobiCom, 2023
- USENIX NSDI, 2024
- IEEE INFOCOM, 2024
- Panels NSF Nets Small, 2022 and 2023
- Organization Workshop Chair, ACM Mobicom 2022
- External ACM SIGCHI 2019
- Reviewer ACM IMWUT/UbiComp 2017, 2021

Journal Reviews IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking
IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing
IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering
IEEE Internet of Things Journal
IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications
IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
IEEE Wireless Communication Letters
IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology

Public Media

Indoor Localization MIT News, World Economic Forum, CBC, Science Alert, Daily Mail, IEEE Spectrum, Gizmodo, Engadget, and others

FarmBeats BBC, Economist, Gates Notes, Forbes, Business Insider, Economic Times, TechCrunch, Agri-Pulse, Fruit Grower Network, and others

In-Body Devices MIT News, Engadget, CNet, Business Standard, Slashgear, Economic Times, South China Morning Post, Elysium Health, and others

Patents

- 2020(Grant) Scheduling satellite data transmissions using differing sets of ground stations **Deepak Vasisht**, Ranveer Chandra. US Patent 11096188.
- 2020 (Grant) Secure wireless IOT platform
Nissanka Arachchige Bodhi Priyantha, **Deepak Vasisht**, Ranveer Chandra, Heping Shi. US Patent 10992338.
- 2019 (Grant) Low-cost Long-term Aerial Imagery
Ranveer Chandra, Manohar Swaminathan, Vasuki Narasimha Swamy, Zerina Kapetanovic, **Deepak Vasisht**, Akshit Kumar, Anirudh Badam, Gireeja Ranade, Sudipta Sinha, Rohit Patil. US Patent 11153535.
- 2019 (Grant) Location determination of wireless communications devices
Sai Roshan Ayyalasomayajula, Dinesh Bharadia, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dina Katabi. US Patent 11140651.
- 2019 (Application) Power-efficient Base Station
Ranveer Chandra, Zerina Kapetanovic, **Deepak Vasisht**. US Patent 10785719.
- 2018 (Grant) IoT Gateway for Weakly Connected Settings
Ranveer Chandra, Ashish Kapoor, Sudipta Sinha, Amar Phanishayee, **Deepak Vasisht**, Xinxin Jin, Madhusudhan Gumbalapura Sudarshan. US Patent 10084868.
- 2018 (Grant) Characterizing transmit channels from an antenna array to a transceiver
Dina Katabi, **Deepak Vasisht**. US Patent 10756831.
- 2017 (Application) Aerial Imaging of a Region Using Above Ground Aerial Camera Platform
Ranveer Chandra, Manohar Swaminathan, Vasuki Narasimha Swamy, Zerina Kapetanovic, **Deepak Vasisht**, Akshit Kumar, Apurv Mehra, Avikalp Gupta, Sudipta Sinha, Rohit Patil. US Patent Application 20180213187.
- 2016 (Grant) Generating Real-Time Sensor Maps From Videos And In-Ground Sensor Data
Ranveer Chandra, Ashish Kapoor, Sudipta Sinha, **Deepak Vasisht**. US Patent 10089716.

- 2016 (Grant) IoT Gateway for Weakly Connected Settings
Ranveer Chandra, Ashish Kapoor, Sudipta Sinha, Amar Phanishayee, **Deepak Vasisht**, Xinxin Jin, Madhusudhan Gumbalapura Sudarshan. US Patent 10084868.
- 2016 (Grant) Sub-decimeter Radio Frequency Ranging
Deepak Vasisht, Swarun Kumar, Dina Katabi. US Patent 9961495.
- 2016 (Grant) Transponder Localization
Omid Abari, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dina Katabi. US Patent 9504006.
- 2015 (Grant) Radio Frequency Localization
Jue Wang, **Deepak Vasisht**, Dina Katabi. US Patent 9958529.

Invited Talks

- 2022 Rural Connectivity Solutions for Digital Agriculture
FCC Taskforce on the Connectivity and Technology Needs of Precision Agriculture in the United States
- 2022 Low Latency Data Downlink for LEO Satellites
Cisco
- 2021 FarmBeats: An AI & IoT Platform for Data-driven Agriculture
University of Washington
- 2021 Networking in the Wild: In-body, Farms, and Space
Planet Inc.
- 2021 Low Latency Data Downlink for LEO Satellites
LEOCONN, ETH Zurich
- 2018 In-body GPS: Locating in-body Devices using Radio Signals
MIT Family Weekend
- 2018 Low Power Networks, Topic Preview
Invited Talk, ACM MobiCom 2018
- 2018 In-body Backscatter Communication and Localization
ACM SIGCOMM
- 2018 Smart Environments using IoT Systems
Invited Talk, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
Invited Talk, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay
Invited Talk, Microsoft Research, India
- 2018 FarmBeats: An AI & IoT Platform for Data-driven Agriculture
Invited Talk, MIT Sense.Nano Symposium
- 2016 RF-IDraw: Virtual Touchscreen in the Air using RF Signals
Invited Talk, Microsoft Research Student Summit on Mobility, Systems, and Networking