Research & Development · Scientific Engineer & Programmer

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### **Research interests**

Model-driven and algorithm engineering; global optimization; derivative-free optimization; big data analytics; high performance computing

### Education

**George Mason University** Fairfax, VA, USA PH.D. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE (ADVISORS: PROF. ALEXANDER BRODSKY, PROF. DANIEL MENASCÉ) 2012-2018 **Rochester Institute of Technology** Rochester, NY, USA MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE 2007-2010 Mumbai University Mumbai, INDIA BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING 2003-2007

### Positions held

Research Consultant, Argonne National Laboratory, Greater Toronto Area, ON, CANADA	01/2022–Present
Postdoctoral Appointee, Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, IL, USA	10/2018-09/2021
Graduate Research Assistant, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA	01/2013-08/2018
Guest Researcher, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburgh, MD, USA	01/2015-12/2017
Graduate Teaching Assistant, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, USA	08/2012-12/2012
Research Technologist, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM, USA	05/2010-06/2012
Research Assistant, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM, USA	07/2008-04/2010

### Software packages \_

#### MÆSTRO

MÆSTRO stands for Multi-fidelity Adaptive Ensemble Stochastic Trust Region Optimization and it is an open source plug n play derivate fee stochastic optimization solver. The problem being considered in MÆSTRO involves fitting Monte Carlo simulations that describe complex phenomena to experiments by finding parameters of the resource intensive and noisy simulation that yield the least squares objective function value to a noisy experimental data. This problem is solved using an active machine learning algorithm where in each iteration, a local approximation of the simulation signal and of the simulation noise is constructed over data, which is obtained by running the simulation at strategically placed design points within a trust-region around the current iterate. Then the simulation components of the objective are replaced by their approximations and this analytical and closed-form optimization problem is solved to find the next iterate within the trust-region. Then the trust region is moved and the iterations continue until a satisfactory convergence criteria is met.

#### Apprentice

An open source package for construction of multivariate analytic surrogate model for computationally expensive Monte-Carlo predictions. The surrogate model is used for numerical optimization of a prediction function since it can be prohibitively expensive to perform optimization over functions with the Monte-Carlo predictions.

#### **Outer optimization**

An open source package to assign weights and solve the tuning problem of finding optimal parameters that minimizes the a least-squares function between approximations of noisy simulations and experimental data or data observed in nature. Instead of setting weights manually based on experience and intuition, the weights are automatically adjusted using a bilevel optimization or a single level robust optimization formulation, thus yielding results efficiently that are less subjective. CODE

#### SODA

An open source package containing the algorithm to perform stochastic optimization based on deterministic approximations to efficiently solve the problem of finding control settings for stochastic processes in a large manufacturing service network subject to the satisfaction of stochastic feasibility constraints.

#### **Factory optima**

Web-based prototype system that allows manufacturing process engineers to compose, optimize and perform trade-off analysis of manufacturing service networks based on a reusable repository of performance models.

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#### CODF

**PAPER** 

### **DOC** CODE

# Peer-reviewed journal articles

BROOD: Bilevel and Robust Optimization and Outlier Detection for Efficient Tuning of	
High-Energy Physics Event Generators.	SCIPOST'22
W. Wang, M. Krishnamoorthy, J. Muller, S. Mrenna, H. Schulz, X. Ju, S. Leyffer, and Z. Marshall. In the SciPost Phys	ics. January 2022.
Practical algorithms for multivariate rational approximation	CPC'20
A. Austin, M. Krishnamoorthy, S. Leyffer, S. Mrenna, J. Muller, and H. Schulz. In the Computer Physics Communic 2020.	ations, October
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Autonomic Smart Manufacturing	Z JDS'15
D. Menascé, M. Krishnamoorthy, and A. Brodsky. In the Journal of Decision Systems, Special Issue on Integrated	Decision Support
Systems, June 2015. <b>A multiple-alignment based primer design algorithm for genetically highly variable DNA targets</b> J. Brodin, M. Krishnamoorthy, G. Athreya, W. Fischer, P. Hraber, C. Gleasner, L. Green, B. Korber, and T. Leitner. In hisisform stars barries	
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Stochastic Optimization for Steady State Production Processes based on Deterministic	ICORES'21
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# Optimizing Stochastic Temporal Manufacturing Processes with Inventories: An Efficient Heuristic Algorithm Based on Deterministic Approximations

M. Krishnamoorthy, A. Brodsky, and D. Menascé. In Proceedings of 2015 INFORMS Computing Socierty Conference, Richmond, VA. January 2015

Temporal manufacturing query language (tMQL) for domain specific composition, what-if analysis, and optimization of manufacturing processes with inventories

M. Krishnamoorthy, A. Brodsky, and D. A. Menascé. Technical Report Department of Computer Science, George Mason University, 2014. Also presented at the 2015 INFORMS Computing Society Conference workshop, Richmond, VA. January 2015.

Toward Smart Manufacturing Using Decision Analytics

A. Brodsky, M. Krishnamoorthy, D. Menascé, G. Shao, and S.Rachuri. In Proceedings of the 2014 IEEE International Conference on Big Data, Washington DC. October 2014.

### Talks \_\_\_\_\_

2021	<b>Apprentice for Event Generator Tuning</b> , 25th International Conference on Computing in High Energy and Nuclear Physics	Paris, France (Online)
2021	<b>Stochastic Optimization Algorithm based on Deterministic Approximations</b> , International Conference on Operations Research and Enterprise Systems	Vienna, Austria (Online)
2020	<b>A Framework for Large-Scale Nonlinear Optimization</b> , SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing	Seattle, WA
2019	Bi-level Optimization for Design of Experiments, INFORMS Annual Meeting	Seattle, WA
2018	Optimization based on White-Box Deterministic Approximations: Models, Algorithms, and Application to Service Networks, Argonne National Laboratory,	Lemont, IL
2017	Service Networks: Stochastic Optimization based on Deterministic Approximations and Repository of Performance Models, Doctoral Candidate Student Presentations at the 29 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Tools for Artificial Intelligence	Boston, MA
2017	Manufacturing and Contract Service Networks: Composition, Optimization and Tradeoff Analysis based on a Reusable Repository of Performance Models, IEEE International Conference on Big Data	Boston, MA
2016	A System and Architecture for Reusable Abstractions of Manufacturing Processes, IEEE International Conference on Big Data	Washington DC
2016	<b>Efficient Decision Support System for Discrete Manufacturing Processes</b> , Computer Science PhD Symposium, George Mason University	Fairfax, VA
2015	Analysis and Optimization in Smart Manufacturing based on a Reusable Knowledge Base for Process Performance Models, IEEE International Conference on Big Data	Santa Clara, CA
2015	<b>Temporal manufacturing query language (tMQL) for domain specific composition, what-if</b> <b>analysis, and optimization of manufacturing processes with inventories</b> , INFORMS Computing Society Conference	Richmond, VA
2015	<b>Optimizing Stochastic Temporal Manufacturing Processes with Inventories: An Efficient</b> <b>Heuristic Algorithm Based on Deterministic Approximations</b> , INFORMS Computing Society Conference	Richmond, VA
2010	Tree prune & decorator: An efficient tool for selecting and annotating data from a biased genetic database, Theoretical Biology and Biophysics Seminar, Los Alamos National Laboratory	Los Alamos, NM
Award	s & accomplishments	
2021	<b>Travel Grant (conference registration fee vaiwer) to attend and present</b> , at the International Conference on Operations Research and Enterprise Systems	Vienna, Austria (Online)
2018	Best Paper Award for the paper "Stochastic Decision Optimization based on Deterministic Approximations of Processes described as Closed-form Arithmetic Simulation", IFIP WG 8.3 on Decision Support Systems	Ljubljana, Slovenia
2018	Outstanding PhD Student Award, from Computer Science Dept. at George Mason University	Fairfax, VA
2017	Travel Grant, International Conference on Tools for Artificial Intelligence	Boston, MA
2017	Travel Grant, IEEE International Conference on Big Data	Boston, MA
2016	Travel Grant, IEEE International Conference on Big Data	Washington DC
2015 2015	Travel Grant, IEEE International Conference on Big Data Travel Grant, INFORMS Computing Society Conference	Santa Clara, CA Richmond, VA
2015 2015–2017	Research Grant, National Institute of Standards and Technology	Gaithersburgh, MD
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✓ IEEE-BD'14

Certificate of excellence, budget database back end in SQL Server and web user interface for 2007 monitoring quarterly budgets

### **Research** experience

### Argonne National Laboratory (ANL)

**RESEARCH CONSULTANT** 

- Currently developing mathematical and algorithmic techniques for directly fitting Monte Carlo simulations to experimental data or data observed in nature using a stochastic trust-region optimization algorithm.
- · Currently developing a workflow package to efficiently solve derivate-free stochastic optimization problems in a high performance computing environment.

#### Argonne National Laboratory (ANL)

POSTDOCTORAL APPOINTEE

- Developed and implemented mathematical and algorithmic techniques for approximating expensive functions in High Energy Physics (HEP).
- Developed robust optimization and design of experiment formulations to decide weights of importance with the goal of tuning a HEP Monte Carlo simulator.
- Developed, maintained, and published HEP analysis packages called apprentice and outer optimization for efficiently constructing polynomial/rational approximations and for performing  $\chi^2$  minimizations.

#### George Mason University (GMU)

**GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT** 

- Designed and developed reusable mathematical models for non-linear, stochastic, hierarchical, and temporal manufacturing processes from real-world data.
- Designed and developed one-stage stochastic optimization algorithms based on deterministic approximation heuristics.
- Developed and published the stochastic optimization algorithm based on deterministic approximations (SODA) to efficiently solve the problem of finding controls for stochastic processes in a large manufacturing service network.

#### National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

**GUEST RESEARCHER** 

- Designed and populated a repository of reusable mathematical models that were sourced from real-world data, publications, and crowdsourced data.
- Developed a software framework and prototype (FactoryOptima) to perform composition, analysis, and optimization on reusable models.

#### Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)

**RESEARCH TECHNOLOGIST** 

- Designed and developed scientific algorithms for highly variable and large scale bioinformatics tools.
- Developed and debugged multiple backend modules of the HIV project.

#### Redesigned the HIV website using Model-View-Controller (MVC) framework and web services.

#### Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Designed and developed Tree Viewer, Pruner and Decorator tools to perform selection and annotation of Influenza sequences.
- Designed and developed a schema for a large Influenza Sequence Database.

## **Teaching Experience**

George Mason University (GMU)	Fairfax, VA	
Mentor	01/2015-05/2015	
Mentored a graduate student in Advanced Algorithms course.		
George Mason University (GMU)	Fairfax, VA	
Mentor	01/2014-05/2014	
Mentored undergraduate students in Logic Programming and Java courses and graduate students in Decision Guidance Systems		
course.		
George Mason University (GMU)	Fairfax, VA	
Graduate Teaching Assistant	08/2012-12/2012	
Prepared and conducted labs, discussions, quizzes, and examinations of undergraduate courses in C/C++.		

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#### Fairfax, VA 01/2013-08/2018

#### Gaithersburgh, MD 01/2015-12/2017

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Lemont, IL 10/2018-09/2021

Fairfax, VA Los Alamos, NM

Mumbai, India

Greater Toronto

Area, ON 01/2022-Present INSTRUCTOR

Summer 2007

Instructor in a private computer programming institute. Taught *Programming with C++*, *Java*, and *Database programming*.

### Professional service \_\_\_\_\_

#### SUPERVISING

2020 2019	Supervised a graduate student over the summer to do research on parameter tuning using Monte Carlo simulations, Argonne National Laboratory Supervised a graduate student over the summer to do research on design of HEP experiments, Argonne National Laboratory	Lemont, IL Lemont, IL
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2020	<b>Co-organized a mini symposium titled "High Performance Computing in Scientific</b> <b>Applications"</b> , 19th SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing	Seattle, WA
2019	Co-organized a a mini symposium titled "Simulation-Based Optimization and Design of Experiments", INFORMS Annual Meeting	Seattle, WA
Mentoring		
2014	Mentored graduate students in Advanced Algorithms and Decision Guidance Systems courses, George Mason University	Fairfax, VA
2014	Mentored undergraduate students in <i>Logic Programming</i> and C++ Programming courses, George Mason University	Fairfax, VA

#### Reviews

Journal of Decision Systems, Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences, INFORMS Computing Society Conference, Winter Simulation Conference, IEEE Conference on Inventive Computing and Informatics, BMC Bioinformatics, IEEE Big Data 2019

Skills, expertise & tools	
Programming Languages & Libraries	Java (expert), C (proficient), C++ (proficient), LaTex (proficient), SQL (proficient), NoSQL (proficient), Ruby (familiar), Perl (proficient), Python (proficient), Shell script (familiar), R (proficient), JavaScript (familiar), jQuery (familiar), XQuery (competent), JSONiq (proficient)
Technical Skills	Data analytics, Analytical Modeling, Data Science, Algorithm Design, Decision Optimization, Operations Research, Decision Systems, Model Simulation & Prediction, Database Management Systems, Software Development Life Cycle
OS	Linux, Windows 7/8/10, MAC OS/X
Version control	GIT, Repo, SVN
Functional abilities	Software Architecture, Object Oriented Programming, Distributed Business and Scientific Applications, Software Development and Testing, Data Mining and Analytics
Tools	Docker, Eclipse, Emacs and VI editors, Oxygen XML editor, Rational Rose, Microsoft Visio, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Visual C++, Microsoft Visual Studio, gedit, Atom
Mathematical modeling & Optimization Solvers/MP	OPL, AMPL, CPLEX, Gurobi, MINOS, SNOPT, LGO, Coin OR, BARON, BONMIN
Internet Technology	Amazon AWS, Azure, Hadoop, OpenStack, Apache Spark

## **Research project details (Last updated August 2018)**

**George Mason University** 

STOCHASTIC OPTIMIZATION ALGORITHMS BASED ON DETERMINISTIC APPROXIMATIONS

Purpose: Stochastic optimization algorithms that make use of the mathematical structure of the original problem are inefficient especially for real-world processes composed of complex process networks because they extract the mathematical structure using samples from a black-box simulation. The goal here is to improve the computation complexity and convergence of these algorithms for probabilistic models.

Contribution: Extracted the mathematical structure of the problem from a white-box simulation code analysis as part of a heuristic algorithm based on deterministic approximations to find the most optimal decision points for the system using statistics of the simulated probabilistic model.

Results: Experimental study on a 22-variable and 21-constraint real-world use case demonstrated that this approach significantly outperforms popular simulation-based optimization approaches. (ICS'15, JDS'18, IFIP-DSS'18)

#### National Institute of Standards and Technology

FRAMEWORK FOR COMPOSITION, ANALYSIS, AND OPTIMIZATION OF REAL-WORLD PROCESSES

Purpose: To build a system of reusable process models in manufacturing such that it is easy to use, simple, and cost-effective so that the end user can perform multiple analysis and optimization operations on these models.

Contribution: Built a software framework and prototype using Generic Model Environment and cloud architectures that allowed hierarchical composition, visualization, and analysis of manufacturing systems consisting of real-world processes from a reusable model repository.

Results: Demonstrated the prototype system to compose an hierarchical model for a real-world supply chain use case and performed simulation, prediction, optimization, and trade-off analysis using Pareto optimal graphs on this model. (IEEE-BD'16, IEEE-BD'17)

#### National Institute of Standards and Technology & George Mason University

REUSABLE REPOSITORY OF PROCESS PERFORMANCE MODELS

Purpose: To build a reusable repository of models for manufacturing so that analysis and optimization solutions need not be implemented de novo because it leads to cost and time intensive development of models and algorithms, which are difficult to modify, extend, and reuse.

Contribution: Designed and developed a reusable repository of mathematical models called performance models for manufacturing end-users with the goal of ease of use and reusability to compose and perform analysis and optimization on complex real-world hierarchical processes.

Results: This repository was used as the basis for a competition to crowdsource Reusable Abstractions of Manufacturing Processes (RAMP) (tinyurl.com/y8fyakcl). For this competition, I also demonstrated the structure of a process performance model in an

instructional webinar available at tinyurl.com/y87q4udv (IEEE-BD'14, ICS-pr'15, JDS'15, IEEE-BD'15, IJAMT'16, HICSS'16)

#### Los Alamos National Laboratory

SCIENTIFIC ALGORITHM FOR PRIMER DESIGN

Purpose: To build a tool for primer design, which is difficult to do for highly variable DNA sequences and for which experimental success requires attention to many interacting constraints.

Contribution: Designed and developed scalable scientific algorithm for primer design that included recursive generation of combinatorial bio-barcodes of specified length with design constraints and dimer risk filtration among the generated primer constructs in C and Perl.

Results: Primer design tool (v1.0) was included among the HIV analysis tools (current tool (v2.0) is at tinyurl.com/yd5hajbc). BMCbio'13

#### Los Alamos National Laboratory

REDESIGN OF COMPUTING ARCHITECTURE TO IMPROVE ANALYSIS EFFICIENCY

Purpose: To redesign scientific tools in order to ensure high performance and minimize compute time and file system usage. Contribution: Designed and deployed five scientific tools using a Model-View-Controller (MVC) framework and web services using XML-RPC on the MVC model provided by Perl Catalyst and object oriented Moose libraries.

Results: The five tools were successfully deployed with an improvement of 35% in performance and 50% in file-system usage.

#### **Rochester Institute of Technology**

MASTERS THESIS: COMPRESSION AND CACHING IN DISTRIBUTED FILE SYSTEM

Purpose: To perform research on compression and caching algorithms to improve data fetch time in a distributed system. Contribution & Results: Implemented a distributed system using the Java NIO framework and reduced data and file fetch time by 14%.

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TREE VIEWER, PRUNER, AND DECORATOR

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*Purpose*: To build tools that automate the selection and annotation of influenza genetic data by making the correct trade-off between speed and simplicity on the one hand and control over quality and contents of the data set on the other. *Contribution*: Designed and developed the tree pruner and decorator tools to perform this selection and annotation for Influenza Sequence Database (ISD). This project was based on the open source project Archaeopteryx using Java Applets, AJAX, and REST web services with the JSON and phyloXML data formats.

*Results*: Pruner and Decorator tools were made available among influenza analysis tools and were also made open source. (**BMCbio'11**)

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DATABASE AND WEB ARCHITECTURE DEVELOPMENT

*Purpose*: Design a schema to accommodate millions of records in ISD and develop a website over ISD to serve influenza analysis tools.

*Contribution & Results*: Designed a new schema in PostgreSQL. Also, developed a website over ISD using Perl, Mason Perl, HTML, XML, Java Scripts and SQL. Further, redesign of the website using jQuery and AJAX request objects yielded 23% better performance.