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Dr. Barath Raghavan

Top-down Computing Systems for Bottom-up Social Good

Dr. Raghavan will discuss three topics: 1) rural network access, 2) agroecological development, and 3) air pollution mitigation, all in which computational systems that enable top-down planning can enable bottom-up instantiations. He will describe systems he developed for increasing access to the Internet in rural areas, ongoing work on new models and planning systems for shifting food production to more sustainable practices, and planned future work on enlisting community members to organize to mitigate air pollution.



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