

# Arnav A. Sheth: Curriculum Vitae

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## EDUCATION

- 2007**            **Ph.D.**, Quantitative Finance, Rutgers Business School  
Area of study: Numerical techniques for stochastic control  
Adviser: Larry Shepp
- 2007**            **M.B.A.**, Finance, Rutgers Business School
- 2004**            **M.A.**, Economics, Rutgers University  
Area of study: Experimental economics  
Adviser: Barry Sopher
- 2000**            **B.A.**, Economics-Mathematics and Philosophy  
Lawrence University

## EXPERIENCE

- 2009 - Present**    **Assistant Professor** of Finance, Graduate Business Programs, St. Mary's College of Calif.
- Fall 2010**        **Visiting Assistant Professor**, Haas School of Business, University of California at Berkeley
- 2008 - 2009**     **Economist (Senior Consultant)**, Global Transfer Pricing, Deloitte Tax LLP, San Francisco
- 2008 - 2009**     **Lecturer**, Economics Department, University of California at Berkeley
- 2008**            **Associate**, StatAssist.com  
Statistical assistance and guidance on Ph.D. dissertations
- 2004 - 2005**     **Research Associate** with Peter Koen, Stevens Institute of Technology  
NSF Grant: *Creating New Wealth by Improving the Fuzzy Front End of the Innovation Engine*  
The innovation process in firms: Survey execution and factor analysis using SPSS
- 2002 - 2004**     **Graduate Assistant** with Larry Shepp, Rutgers University  
NSF Grant: *Novel Indexing and Retrieval of Dynamic Brain Images*  
fMRI brain imaging: Java programming; cluster analysis using R

## PUBLICATIONS

- A. Sheth. Hiring, firing and infighting: A tale of two companies. *Computational Economics*, forthcoming in 2012.
- A. Sheth, L. Shepp, and O. Palmon. Risk-taking, financial distress, and innovation. *Academy of Business Journal: Special Issue on the Global Debt Crisis*, 1:5–18, 2011.
- B. Sopher and A. Sheth. A deeper look at hyperbolic discounting. *Theory and Decision*, 60:219–255, 2006.

## WORKING PAPERS

- J. Kale and A. Sheth. Portfolio optimization with a hybrid utility function. Working paper, 2011.
- A. Sheth, L. Shepp, and M. Imerman. Taxation with representation. Working paper, 2011.

## BOOKS

- A. Sheth. *Optimal Operating Strategies Under Stochastic Cash Flows*. Lambert Academic Publishing GmbH & Co. KG, 2011.

**BOOK CHAPTERS**

- A. Sheth, L. Shepp, and O. Palmon. Innovation and risk-taking. In *Electrical Engineering and Intelligent Systems*. Springer, forthcoming in 2012.
- B. Sopher and A. Sheth. A deeper look at hyperbolic discounting. In M. Abdellaoui, editor, *Uncertainty and Risk: Mental, Formal Experimental Representations*, volume 41, pages 125–150. Springer, 2007.

**REFEREED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**

- A. Sheth, L. Shepp, and O. Palmon. Risk-taking, financial distress, and innovation. In *Proceedings of the World Congress on Engineering 2011*. World Congress of Engineering, International Association of Engineers (IAENG), July 2011.

**INVITED TALKS**

- A. Sheth. The carrot: Rewarding bad managers and innovation. Institute for Operations Research and Management Science, Raleigh, NC, November 2011a.
- A. Sheth. Capturing the chaos: Measuring market volatility. Pillai Institute of Management Studies and Research, Mumbai, India, June 2011b.

**REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Sheth. Dynamic brain images: Communication within the human brain (poster). Rutgers University School of Communication, Information and Library Sciences, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2003.
- A. Sheth. Optimal operating strategies under stochastic cash flows. Institute for Operations Research and Management Science, Seattle, WA, November 2007a.
- A. Sheth. Financial distress, competition and free cash flow: Optimal operating strategies. Institute for Operations Research and Management Science, San Juan, Puerto Rico, July 2007b.
- A. Sheth. A numerical method for stochastic control with applications to finance. SIAM Optimization, Boston, MA, May 2008.
- A. Sheth. Gambling when broke: A model for optimal managerial behavior under financial distress. SIAM Financial Mathematics and Engineering, San Francisco, CA, November 2010.
- A. Sheth. The carrot: Rewarding bad managers and innovation. Tenth International Conference on Operations and Quantitative Management, Nashik, India, July 2011.
- A. Sheth and B. Sopher. A deeper look at subjective discounting. Economic Science Association International Meeting, Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 2004a.
- A. Sheth and B. Sopher. A deeper look at subjective discounting. FUR XI Conference, Cachan, France, July 2004b.
- A. Sheth, L. Shepp, and O. Palmon. Risk-taking, financial distress, and innovation. Academy of Business Research, New Orleans, LA, March 2011.

**REFEREE SERVICE**

- 2009**                      Proceedings for the SIAM Conference in Mathematics for Industry: Challenges & Frontiers
- 2011**                      Academy of Business Journal

**MISCELLANEOUS EXPERIENCE**

- 2005 - 2010**            Competitive Distance Runner: Three marathons and more than ten half-marathons.
- 1991 - 1997**            Mountaineer: Four Himalayan expeditions (one as leader); highest altitude of  $\sim 17,000$  feet.