# Nabarun Deb

## Curriculum Vitae/Resume

## Education

- 2017- Doctor of Philosophy, Columbia University, New York, USA
  - Department of Statistics
  - Supervised by Dr. Bodhisattva Sen and Dr. Sumit Mukherjee
- 2015-2017 Master of Statistics (M. Stat), Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, India
  - Specialization: Theoretical Statistics
  - Dissertation under Dr. Moulinath Banerjee
  - First Division with Distinction
  - 2012-15 Bachelor of Statistics (B. Stat)(Hons), Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, India
    - First Division with Distinction

## Research Interests

- Nonparametric inference and testing
- Theory of optimal transport and its applications in statistics
- Kernel methods and k-nearest neighbor graphs
- Multiple hypotheses testing
- Network models and theory of dependent observations (Ising model, exponential random graph models, etc.)

## **Papers**

- Deb, N., Ghosal, P., Sen, B. (2021+). Rates of Estimation of Optimal Transport Maps using Plug-in Estimators via Barycentric Projections (Status: "Accepted" at Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) 2021). See https://arxiv.org/abs/2107.01718
- Auddy, A.\*, Deb. N.\*, Nandy, S.\* (2021+), (\* all authors are Ph.D. students and they contributed equally). Exact Detection Thresholds for Chatterjee's Correlation (Status: Submitted). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2104.15140.pdf
- Deb, N., Bhattacharya, B., Sen, B. (2021+). Efficiency Lower Bounds for Distribution-Free Hotelling-Type Two-Sample Tests Based on Optimal Transport (Status: "Reject with resubmission" at *Annals of Statistics*; to be resubmitted). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2104.01986.pdf
- Huang, Z., Deb, N., Sen, B. (2020+). Kernel Partial Correlation Coefficient a Measure of Conditional Dependence. (Status: "Minor revision requested" at Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR)). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2012.14804.pdf
- Deb, N., Mukherjee, R., Mukherjee, S., and Yuan, M. (2020+). Detecting Structured Signals in Ising Models. (Status: Submitted). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2012.05784.pdf
- Deb, N., Ghosal, P., and Sen, B. (2020+). Measuring Association on Topological Spaces
  Using Kernels and Geometric Graphs. (Status: "Reject with resubmission" at *Annals of Statistics*; to be resubmitted). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2010.01768.pdf
- Deb, N., and Mukherjee, S. (2020+). Fluctuations in Mean-Field Ising Models. (Status: "Minor revision requested" at Annals of Applied Probability). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/2005.00710.pdf

- Deb, N., and Sen, B. (2019+). Multivariate Rank-based Distribution-free Nonparametric Testing using Measure Transportation. (Status: "Accepted" at J. Amer. Statist. Assoc. (JASA)). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/1909.08733.pdf
- Deb, N., Saha, S., Guntuboyina, A., and Sen, B. (2018+). Two-component Mixture Model in the Presence of Covariates. (Status: "Accepted" at J. Amer. Statist. Assoc. (JASA)). See https://arxiv.org/pdf/1810.07897.pdf). Also see https://cran.r-project.org/ web/packages/NPMLEmix/index.html for the associated R package

#### Awards and Achievements

- 2019 Minghui Yu Teaching Assistant Award in the Statistics Department, Columbia University
- 2019 Student Paper Competition winner in the Theory & Methods section, International Indian Statistical Association (IISA), Mumbai, India
- Nominated for the Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Gold medal for outstanding performance in the Master of Statistics Programme, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, India
   -Awarded to the top 4 students in class
- 2012 An INMO *Indian National Mathematical Olympiad* merit certificate holder -Awarded to the top 75 students in the country
- 2012 A recipient of the award of Scholarship for Higher Education (SHE) under Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research *INSPIRE*-It is awarded to the top 1% students in the Indian School Certificate Examinations, 2012

## Talks, Conferences and Workshops

- 2022 (Upcoming Invited Talk) Joint Statistical Meetings 2022
  Title: Efficiency Lower Bounds for Distribution-Free Hotelling-Type Two-Sample Tests Based on Optimal Transport
- 2021 (Upcoming Invited Talk) Indian Statistical Institute Stat-Math seminar, December 2021 Title: Fluctuations for Conditionally Centered Sums in Markov Random Fields
- 2021 (Invited talk)  $34^{th}$  New England Statistics Symposium, October 2021 Title: Measuring Association/Conditional Association on Topological Spaces Using Kernels and Geometric Graphs
- 2020 (Invited Talk) ETH Zurich, Young Data Science Researcher Seminar
  Title: Measuring Association on Topological Spaces Using Kernels and Geometric Graphs
- 2020 (Invited Talk) University of Berkeley, at the Berkeley-Columbia Meeting in Engineering and Statistics

  Title: Multivariate Rank-based Distribution-free Nonparametric Testing using Measure Transportation
- 2020 Participated in "Talking across fields", Stanford University a conference in honor of Prof. Persi Diaconis
- 2019 (Invited Talk) International Indian Statistical Association (IISA) Conference, student paper award for Theory & Methods section Title: Multivariate Rank-based Distribution-free Nonparametric Testing using Measure Transportation
- 2019 (Talk) Joint Statistical Meeting, Denver, Colorado contributed session Title: *Two-component Mixture Model in the Presence of Covariates*
- 2019 (Talk) Saint Flour Probability Summer School student talk Title: Fluctuations in Mean-Field Ising Models

- 2019 (Talk) Minghui Conference, Columbia University. Title: Fluctuations in Mean-Field Ising Models
- 2018 Participated in the Banff International Research Station for Mathematical Innovation and Discovery (BIRS) Workshop on Shape-Constrained Methods: Inference, Applications, and Practice, Alberta, Canada
- (Invited Talk) Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis memorial lecture, Indian Statistical Institute Title: Change Point problems - detection and applications.

## Technical expertise

Packages

Software R, Python, Matlab, Gurobi, Mathe-Programming BASIC, JAVA, C, C++ matica, Geogebra, LATEX, HTML, Languages Macromedia Flash

## Teaching experience

- 2019 Qualifying Exams workshop (Theoretical Statistics) for Ph.D. students, Summer 2019
- 2017- Teaching assistant in the following courses:
  - 1. Theoretical Statistics for first year Ph.D. students (2019 & 2020 & 2021)
  - 2. Nonparametric statistics, both Masters and Undergrad levels (2018)
  - 3. Statistical Inference, Masters level (2017, 2018, 2019)
  - 4. Probability, Masters level (2017, 2018, 2019)
  - 5. Calculus-based Introduction to Statistics, Undergrad level (2020)
  - 6. Statistical Methods in Finance (2021)

## Professional Service

Reviewer for the following journals: (1) Annals of Statistics, (2) Electronic Journal of Statistics, (3) Biometrika, (4) International Conference on Machine Learning (2020), (5) Insurance: Mathematics and Economics, (6) Journal of Statistical Planning and Inference, (7) Bernoulli, (8) IEEE Transactions on Information Theory, and (9) Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B

#### Miscellaneous information

Skills

Communication Fluent in speaking and writing English, Bengali, Hindi. Introductory French

Hobbies An avid sports lover, particularly interested in following cricket, lawn tennis and table tennis A voracious reader and poetry lover, I also love watching movies, listening to music and playing the synthesizer at leisure

> I hereby do certify that all the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. Nabarun Deb