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Research Areas

Quantum Computing and Quantum Information, Machine Learning, Graph Theory and Optimization.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Mathematics, University of Illinois at Chicago, USA

August 2016 - May 2021 (GPA: 4.00/4.00)

Department of Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science Thesis Title: Extremal Problems for Graphs and Hypergraphs

Advisor: Dr. Dhruv Mubayi

851 S. Morgan St., Chicago, IL 60607 Contact: dgs-mscs@uic.edu, +1-312-996-3041

Bachelor of Mathematics, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, India

June 2013 – May 2016 (Absolute score: 87.2%, first division with distinction)

Statistics and Mathematics Unit

8th Mile, Mysore Road, Bangalore 560059

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Work EXPERIENCE June 2021-

current

Researcher

Company Name: blueque Inc., Japan

Location: Remote

- Doing fundamental theoretical research on Quantum Computing and Machine

Learning.

- Publishing papers, giving presentations on the research at conferences and journals, and writing expository and advanced tutorials on quantum computing.

August 2022

Visiting Joint Researcher

current

University: The University of Tokyo, Japan

Fundamental research on Simulation of Quantum Circuits using Tensor Net-

works, Graph Theory and Machine Learning at the School of Sciences.

June-August 2020

Quantum Computing Intern

Company Name: Elyah Location: Remote

- Designed and implemented quantum algorithms solving problems with real life applications using Grover Search.

- Coded in qiskit, pyquil and braket-sdk, and tested said algorithms on both simulators and quantum computers.

SKILLS

Independent and collaborative research, Programming (Python, C++), Computer Algorithms, Machine Learning, Graph Theory, Optimization.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

April 2022

# **IDEAL Workshop on Clustering**

 ${\it Organizer:}$  The Institute for Data, Econometrics, Algorithms, and Learning

Location: Remote.

- Attended workshop on clustering algorithms in Theoretical Machine Learning. Lecturers from different academic institutes and companies discussed the recent progress on problems related to clustering.

July 2019

## Polynomial Methods in Combinatorics

Workshop Lecturers: Adam Sheffer, Joshua Zahl Location: University of California, Berkeley.

- Attended Summer Graduate School at the Mathematical Sciences Research Center via recommendation by the UIC Math department.
- Studied applications of the polynomial method in combinatorics and analysis, and attended daily collaborative problem solving sessions.

June 2018

## SIAM Conference on Discrete Mathematics

Organizer: Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics Location: University of Colorado, Denver.

- Attended conference talks on the most recent advances in discrete mathematics, delivered by experts as well as graduate students working on the field.

June 2017

## Random Graphs and Probabilistic Methods

Workshop Lecturers: Dimitris Achlioptas, Louigi Addario-Berry, Andrzej Rucinski, Lutz Warnke

Location: University of Toronto

- Attended Summer Graduate School at the Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Sciences through a competitive selection procedure.
- Learned several recent techniques in random graphs and probabilistic methods via lectures and problem sessions organized at the summer school.

May-July 2016

## Stochastic Modeling of Biochemical Pathways

Mentor: Dr. Rajat K. De, Machine Intelligence Unit, Location: Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata.

- Studied modeling of biochemical pathways as Markov Chains.
- Explored the problem of time required for a biochemical system to return to its original state. Solved the problem for linear cyclic reactions, leading to a journal publication.

June–July 2015

## Graph Theory as a Visiting Research Student

Mentor: Dr. Amitava Bhattacharya, Dept. of Mathematics, Location: Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.

- Studied Matching Theory, Flows and Networks, Vertex and Edge-Coloring, and Combinatorial Nullstellensatz.
- Solved problems in these topics as suggested by the guide.

Jun-July 2013

## Image Processing in Matlab using Morphological methods

Mentors: Dr. Abhijit Kar, Dept. of CS, Jadavpur University,

Dr. R.K. Chatterjee, Faculty of CS, Birla Inst. Tech.,

Dr. Somojit Saha, Neurologist.

Location: Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

- Studied "Image Processing in Matlab" by Gonzalez-Woods-Eddins to learn the basics of Morphology.
- Designed an algorithm for segmentation of white matter from MRI images using modified Regiongrow techniques.

Professional Reviewer, Discrete Mathematics, Elsevier SERVICE Endorser, Combinatorics Publications, arXiv 2016 Merit Award, Fall 2016, UIC Honors and (Based on academic performance and MS exam) Awards 2013 - 2016KVPY Fellowship from Govt. of India (Rank: 100 (India), Qualified for BS at Indian Institute of Sciences) 2011 Sharygin Geometry Olympiad, online correspondence round (Rank: 4 (intl.), score: 53/63) 2011 - 2013Indian National Mathematical Olympiad (Merit Certificate Holder for 2012 and 2013) 2022 Tight Query Complexity Bounds for Learning Graph Partitions **PRESENTATIONS** 

# AND TALKS

# 35th Conference of Learning Theory

Presented joint work with Xizhi Liu, University of Warwick on graph learning problems at the conference on July 2, 2022.

### 2021 Turán Numbers of Hypergraph Suspensions of Even Cycles

University of Delaware

Invited to give a talk at the Discrete Mathematics seminar at the University of Delaware on the preprint titled the same as above on April 21, 2021.

#### 2020 Learning Circuits using Value Injection Queries

Final Presentation, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, UIC Presented a paper titled the same as above, authored by Dana Angluin, James Aspnes, Jiang Chen, Yinghua Wu, Journal of Computer and System Sciences 75 (2009): 60-77 as a final exam for the Fall 2019 course on Data Science lectured by Lev Reyzin.

#### 2019 Spectral Partitioning of Random Graphs

Final Presentation, Mathematical Foundations of Data Science, UIC Presented a paper titled the same as above, authored by Frank McSherry, Foundations of Computer Science 2001: 529-537 as a final exam for the Fall 2019 course on Data Science lectured by Lev Reyzin.

#### 2019 An Invitation to Combinatorics

Graduate Student Colloquium, UIC

Gave a talk to around 30 first year graduate students introducing some of the recent research in Combinatorics in the UIC Math department.

### 2018 Analyzing Growth of an Extremal Function for Hypergraphs

Graduate Combinatorics/ Math and CS Seminar, UIC

Presented research leading to the paper titled On Maximum H-free Subgraphs to an audience of size roughly 10 consisting of graduate students and professors working on combinatorics and computer science in the department.

#### 2018 An introduction to the Turàn problem on graphs

Graduate Theoretical CS Seminar, UIC

Gave a survey of Turàn problems on graphs to graduate students and professors working on combinatorics and computer science in the department.

## 2017 The emergence of linearly sized paths in the "supercritical regime" for the random graph G(n, p)

Graduate Theoretical CS Seminar, UIC

Presented recent research on emergence of linear paths in random graphs aimed at graduate students and professors working on combinatorics and computer science in the department.

Teaching	Fall	2016	Teaching Assistant, Calculus I
EXPERIENCE AT UIC	Spring	2017	Teaching Assistant, Calculus I
	Fall	2017	Teaching Assistant, Calculus II
	Spring	2018	Teaching Assistant, Calculus II
	Fall	2018	Grader, Applied Linear Algebra, Graph Theory
	Spring	2019	Teaching Assistant, Python Programming, Data Structures
	Fall	2019	Teaching Assistant, Data Structures, Precalculus, Graph Theory
	Spring	2020	Grader, Combinatorics, Codes and Cryptography
	Summer	2020	Grader, Computer Algorithms I
	Fall	2020	Teaching Assistant, Data Structures, Graph Theory,
			Grader, Computer Algorithms I
	Spring	2021	Teaching Assistant, Calculus for Life Sciences
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- Lead and instruct over twenty different discussion sessions of 20-25 students each, including subjects in mathematics and computer science.
- Grading homework assignments and exams, preparing course materials and holding mentoring hours with undergraduate students.

## Other Projects

## • Estimating beatmap difficulty in osu! rhythm game

Designing and testing an unofficial algorithm to compute the difficulty of beatmaps in a rhythm game called "osu!". Also writing a discord bot in python to recommend beatmaps to players based on the type of maps they usually like to play.

Github: https://github.com/Potla1995/POT\_Bot

## • Translating Light Novel from Japanese to English

Translated Volume 3 of a light novel (as a fan) named "Real na Kanojo nante Irimasen!" (English: "I don't need a real girlfriend!") from Japanese to English. Also built the webpage hosting the translations from scratch using Bootstrap, CSS, mdbook, and Travis CI.

Web: https://potla1995.github.io/

# Languages Spoken

- Bengali (Native)
- English (Bilingual proficiency)
- Hindi (Conversational)
- Japanese (Conversational)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- D. Banerjee, S. Mukherjee, *Neuberg Locus and its Properties*, J. Classical Geometry, Volume **2** (2013), 26–38. (pdf)
- S. Mukherjee, D. Ghosh, R.K. De, Expected Return Time to the Initial State for Biochemical Systems with Linear Cyclic Reactions: Unidirectional and Bidirectional, Sadhana, Volume 44 (2019), 03. (pdf)
- D. Mubayi, S. Mukherjee, *Triangles in graphs without bipartite suspensions*, submitted (2020). (pdf)
- X. Liu, S. Mukherjee, A new stability theorem for the expansion of cliques, submitted (2020). (pdf)
- D. Mubayi, S. Mukherjee, *Maximum H-free Subgraphs*, Journal of Combinatorics, Volume **12** (2) (2021). (pdf)
- S. Mukherjee, Turán Numbers of Hypergraph Suspensions of Even Cycles, submitted (2021). (pdf)
- S. Mukherjee, S. Mukherjee, B.S. Hua, N. Umetani, D. Meister, *Neural Sequence Transform*, Computer Graphis Forum, Volume **40** (7) (2021). (pdf)

- S. Mukherjee, Extremal Problems for Graphs and Hypergraphs, University of Illinois at Chicago, Thesis (2021). (pdf)
- S. Mukherjee, A Grover search-based algorithm for the list coloring problem, IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering, Volume 3 (2022). (pdf)
- X. Liu, S. Mukherjee, *Tight query complexity bounds for learning graph partitions*, accepted, Conference on Learning Theory (2022). (pdf)