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# SHIVAM KUMAR

**EDUCATION** 

#### University of Notre Dame

Notre Dame, USA

Ph.D. Statistics

2020 - 2025 (expected)

- Advisors: Prof. Lizhen Lin, Prof. Daren Wang.
- Research Focus: Statistical ML, Non-parametric Statistics, Change point.

#### University of Notre Dame

Notre Dame, USA

M.S. Applied Mathematics and Statistics

2020 - 2022

• GPA: 3.97/4.00.

Visva Bharati

Santiniketan, India

Integrated M.Sc. Mathematics

2015 - 2020

- Advisors: Prof. Swapan Kumar Pandit, Prof. Issan Patri.
- GPA: 7.78/10.00.

### Research Interests

Functional data analysis, statistical learning theory, change point detection in time series, network analysis, non-parametric statistics, and Bayesian statistics.

# Publications or Preprints

- 1. Shivam Kumar, Haotian Xu, Haeran Cho, Daren Wang. Estimation and Inference for Change Points in Functional Regression Time Series. Under Review, arXiv preprint arXiv:2405.05459, 2024.
- 2. Shivam Kumar, Yun Yang, Lizhen Lin. A Likelihood Based Approach to Distribution Regression Using Conditional Deep Generative Models. Under Review, arXiv preprint arXiv:2410.02025, 2024.
- 3. Shivam Kumar, Yixin Wang, Lizhen Lin. Statistical Foundation of Matching Flow Based Generative Models. In Progress, 2024+.
- 4. Shivam Kumar, Shitao Fan, Lizhen Lin. *Adaptive Online Variational Bayes*. In Progress, 2024+.
- 5. Shivam Kumar, Carlos-Misael Madrid-Padilla. Additive Temporal-spatial model via Trend Filtering. In Progress, 2025+.

#### Instructor:

Statistics for Life Sciences	Undergraduate [Class Size: 65]	Spring 2024
Applied Math Methods Tutorial	Undergraduate [14]	Spring 2023
Assistant:		

# Teaching

Graduate [Class Size: 14/32/27	/28] Fall 2024/3/2/1
Graduate [15]	Fall 2024
Graduate (Online Masters) [31]	Summer 2024
Graduate [37]	Fall 2023
Undergraduate [48]	Spring 2023
Undergraduate [11]	Fall 2022
Undergraduate [46/73]	Fall 2022, Spring 2021
Undergraduate [25/35]	Spring 2022, Fall 2021
Undergraduate (Engineering) [1	[71] Spring 2022
	Graduate [15] Graduate (Online Masters) [31] Graduate [37] Undergraduate [48] Undergraduate [11] Undergraduate [46/73] Undergraduate [25/35]

## Professional Experiences

#### IBM Research Lab | Dublin

Summer 2024

- Developed and enhanced statistical models for multimodal longitudinal time series.
- Implemented these models on healthcare datasets to perform multitask inference for biomedical research (on the SUERO Project).

### Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology | Shibpur Summer 2019

- Modeled heavy metal pathways in anaerobic bacteria from harsh environments.
- Computed energetics and pathways for acetylene conversion to acetaldehyde via DFT-based methods.

### Chennai Mathematical Institute | Chennai

Summer 2018

- Reproduced static and dynamic models for Gram-negative bacterial cell walls.
- Designed multilayer models to study and validate the mechanical properties of Gram-positive bacterial cell walls.

#### Bose Institute | Kolkata

Summer 2017

- Developed and implemented model to simulate shock waves with FCT algorithm.
- Extended the research to explore applications in Magneto Hydrodynamics.

#### Jawaharlal Nehru Center of Advanced Scientific Research | Bengaluru Summer 2016

- Conducted an investigative reading project on the Integer Quantum Hall Effect.
- Examined theoretical concepts and mathematical frameworks of the phenomenon.

# Awards and Honors

#### • Edison Innovation Fellowship

2024.08-2025.05

Notre Dame IDEA Center fellowship supporting training in research innovation, entrepreneurship, and the principles of deep-tech commercialization, focusing on generating real-world impact from academic research.

# • IISA Student Paper and Poster Competition

2024.12

Competitive grant awarded by International Indian Statistical Association to support attendance and presentation at the 2024 conference.

#### SIAM Student Travel Award

2024.08

Competitive grant awarded by SIAM to support attendance and presentation at the Mathematics of Data Science (MDS) 2024 conference.

• ACMS | GSG Professional Development Award (twice) 2024.05 Awarded financial support to present at the Joint Statistical Meetings 2024 in Portland.

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2024.05

Competitive financial support awarded to attend and present at conferences.

#### • ISBA Student Travel Award

2024.03

Competitive grant awarded by NSF to support presentation at the ISBA World Meeting.

- CSIR Junior Research Fellowship, Govt. of India (unclaimed) 2019, 2020 Awarded through a competitive exam, achieving 99.78 percentile (twice) among 40,000 examinees to support doctoral education in mathematics in India.
- INSPIRE Scholarship for Higher Education, Govt. of India 2015-2020 A merit-based scholarship for less than 1% of high school students nationwide for college education, with additional funding for undergraduate research.
- Science Academies Summer Research Fellowship
  Awarded jointly by the three national science academies of India.

# Presentations and Talks

• International Indian Statistical Association Conference, CUSAT (India).	2024.12
• SIAM Conference on Mathematics of Data Science, Atlanta (USA).	2024.10
• SIAM Great Lakes Annual Meeting, Hammond (USA).	2024.10
• Joint Statistical Meeting, Portland (USA).	2024.08
• IBM Dublin Research Lab, Dublin (Ireland).	2024.07
• ISERC Dissertation Seminar, Santiniketan (India).	2020.07
• ISERC Undergraduate Presentation Series, Santiniketan (India).	2018.04

# Selected Short Projects

#### Knowledge Conflict Evaluation | Dublin, Ireland

Summer 2024

- Contributed to the first stage of a two-stage pipeline to evaluate knowledge conflicts in a Wikipedia-based dataset using the IBM Granite Foundation model.
- Developed evaluation metrics to assess the accuracy and reliability of detected conflicts, ensuring robust model performance.

#### Patterned Vegetation Modeling | Notre Dame, USA

Spring 2021

- Built a reaction-advection-diffusion stochastic PDE model to investigate patterned vegetation dynamics.
- Analyzed the resilience of these patterns in response to climate variability and environmental stressors.

#### Signboard Transliteration | Notre Dame, USA

Spring 2021

- Developed a two-stage signboard text transliteration system from vernacular languages to English using attention models.
- Integrated and optimized the first stage of the transliteration pipeline to improve overall system performance.

#### Knowledge Graph Alignment | Notre Dame, USA

Fall 2020

- Collaborated on cross-lingual knowledge graph alignment using Graphlets and a Graph Matching Neural Network on the DBP15K dataset.
- Developed alignment strategies, analyzed model performance, and presented findings to collaborators.

Technical Skills Languages: Hindi, English, Bengali.

Programming: Python, R, C, FORTRAN, LATEX, C++.

Scientific Computing: MATLAB, Mathematica, Matplotlib, NumPy, PyTorch, scikit-learn.

# Professional Membership

- American Statistical Association.
- Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics.
- International Indian Statistical Association.
- Institute of Mathematical Statistics.
- Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences.

#### SERVICE

- Mentoring: Mentored over 10 undergraduates in transitioning to quality graduate programs at Notre Dame and Visva Bharati.
- Leadership: As Vice-President for SIAM at ND, organized workshops, discussion panels, and fostered interdisciplinary collaboration within the SIAM community at Notre Dame. As a Graduate Orientation Ambassador, planned and implemented comprehensive introductions to campus and graduate studies. Advised and judged for the American Statistical Association Data Fest at Notre Dame.
- Volunteer: Tutor at Robinson Community Learning Center, Notre Dame.
- College Council: Student member, College of Science, University of Notre Dame.
- A: ICLR, EJoS, Bernoulli.

#### References

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