

Natansh Mathur

QUANTUM COMPUTER SCIENCE ENTHUSIAST

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“Do not go gentle into that good night. Rage, rage against the dying of the light.”

Summary

A curious computer scientist (in making) searching for concrete questions and their solutions, especially in quantum computer science. Familiar with quantum computing, quantum communications and cryptography, quantum machine learning and optimisation, and fundamentals of computer science. Always open to discussions on mathematics, music, and teas.

Education

Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee

Roorkee, India

B.TECH. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

2017 - Exp. 2021

- CGPA: 9.472/10

LBS Senior Secondary School, Kota

Kota, India

GRADE 12 (SENIOR SECONDARY LEVEL)

2017

- Percentage: 95.2%

Nosegay Public School, Sri Ganganagar

Sri Ganganagar, India

GRADE 10 (SECONDARY LEVEL)

2015

- CGPA: 10/10

Experience

QC Ware Corp.

Paris, France (Remote)

PART-TIME RESEARCH ASSISTANT

August, 2020 - PRESENT

- Research Assistant under the guidance of Prof. Iordanis Kerenidis.

IRIF, CNRS and Université de Paris

Paris, France (Remote)

PART-TIME RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

August, 2020 - PRESENT

- Bachelor's Thesis Project under the joint supervision of Prof. Iordanis Kerenidis and Prof. Sugata Gangopadhyay.

Institute for Quantum Computing, University of Waterloo

Waterloo, Canada (Remote)

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

April, 2020 - July, 2020

- Research Assistant under the guidance of Prof. Norbert Lütkenhaus.
- Associated with Optical Quantum Communication Theory Group

LIP6, CNRS and Sorbonne Université

Paris, France

RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

May, 2019 - July, 2019

- Summer Research Internship under the guidance of Prof. Elham Kashefi.
- Part of the Quantum Internet Alliance team at CNRS
- Associated with Paris Centre for Quantum Computing

Information Management Group, IIT Roorkee

Roorkee, India

CHIEF OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

January, 2018 - PRESENT

- Working with a team of around 50 tech enthusiasts to develop software solutions for the college campus community.
- Maintain the IIT Roorkee official website with up-to-date technology stack.

Projects

Orthogonal Neural Networks

Paris, France (Remote)

PART OF RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP AT QC WARE CORP.

August, 2020 - PRESENT

- Developing strategies to train classical orthogonal neural networks without using SVD techniques.
- Using orthogonality to avoid vanishing gradients in deep neural networks.
- Could be extended to their quantum analogues due to unitary weight matrices.

Numerical key rate calculator for QKD Protocols

Waterloo, Canada (Remote)

PART OF RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP AT IQC, UWATERLOO

April, 2020 - July, 2020

- Contributed to the development of the framework architecture and wrote protocols fitting into it.
- Wrote unified algorithms to perform parameter optimisation for various QKD Protocols using numerical methods and optimisation techniques.
- Used High Performance supercomputing clusters of ComputeCanada to evaluate various QKD protocols' key rates for different parameters.
- Software to be released soon in the public domain.

Quantum Protocol Zoo

Paris, France

PART OF RESEARCH INTERNSHIP AT LIP6, PARIS

December, 2018 - July, 2019

- Added various protocols to the online encyclopedia of Quantum Internet Protocols and reviewed many others.
- Analysed and identified the resource requirements for performing each of the protocols.
- Developed the 'Knowledge Graphs' - a unified, interactive and user-friendly tool for resource visualisation.
- Available online at wiki.veriqcloud.fr.

Linear Cryptanalysis of Substitution-Permutation Network

Roorkee, India

SUMMER PROJECT

May, 2018 - June, 2018

- Learning project under Prof. Sugata Gangopadhyay, Dept. of CSE, IIT Roorkee.
- Implemented a Substitution-Permutation Network based Block Cipher model.
- Implemented a linear cryptanalytic attack on the developed cryptosystem for retrieval of certain key bits.

Publications and Posters

Towards an Open-source Software Platform for Numerical Key Rate Calculation of General Quantum Key Distribution Protocols

Amsterdam, Netherlands

POSTER PRESENTED AT QCRYPT, 2020

August, 2020

- The poster is available at <https://2020.qcrypt.net/posters/QCrypt2020Poster139Wang.pdf>

Quantum Protocol Zoo

Barcelona, Spain

TO BE PUBLISHED IN QTech, 2020

November, 2020 (Exp.)

- The abstract is available at https://www.premc.org/doc/QTech2020/QTech2020_Book_Of_Abstracts.pdf

Honours & Achievements

- 2020 **USEQIP**, Selected among top 30 individuals from the world by IQC, UWaterloo
- 2017 **Aditya Birla Scholarship Programme**, Shortlisted among 30 students from various IITs for 2017-18 Awards
- 2017 **All India Rank - 348**, JEE Advanced, administered by Indian Institutes of Technology
- 2017 **All India Rank - 231**, JEE Main, taken by more than a million students.
- 2017 **All India Rank - 114**, KVPY, administered by Indian Institute of Science.

Grants & Fundings

- 2020 **Unitary Fund**, Granted funding for developing open source Quantum Machine Learning teaching material.

Skills

Programming Languages	Python, MATLAB, C++, Q#, JAVA, C
Packages and Environments	Qiskit, IBMQ Simulator, Django, Android Studio, SQL, Numpy
Utilities	Git, Linux Shell, Vim
Relevant Courses (online)	Quantum Information Science, Quantum Cryptography, Quantum Machine Learning
Relevant Courses (offline)	Mathematics-I (Linear Algebra and Calculus), Optimisation Techniques, Quantum Computing, Discrete Structures, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Theory of Computation, Machine Learning

Extracurricular Activity

Quantum Computing Group, IIT Roorkee

Roorkee, India

FOUNDER AND CORE MEMBER

2020 - PRESENT

- Formed the Quantum Computing reading group under ACM Student Chapter, IIT Roorkee.
- Conducted QC discussions on various topics from the basics.

Geek Gazette

EDITOR AND PRESIDENT FOR THE TERM 2019-20

- Official Tech Magazine based in IIT Roorkee.
- Managed a group of 80 'geeky' people divided into four diversely functional cells - Editorial, Design, Finance and Web.
- Written and edited articles and interviews for 6 issues of the magazine and the *website*.

Roorkee, India

2017 - PRESENT

Student Mentorship Programme

MENTOR

- Personally mentored five freshmen from the CS Department.
- Individually guided them through personal and academic problems for the entire year.

Roorkee, India

2019 - 2020

Dramatics Section, IIT Roorkee

DRAMATIST

- Performed one Stage Play and acted as non cast member for three stage and street plays.

Roorkee, India

2017 - 2018

Programming and Algorithms Group

PROGRAMMER

- Member of the Competitive Coding club based in IIT Roorkee.

Roorkee, India

2017 - 2018

References

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