Curriculum Vitae

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Education

CISCE 10th Board in Bangalore, Karnataka
2013–2015 Karnataka Pre University Board (11th and 12th) in Bangalore, Katnataka
2015–Current Integrated BS-MS at Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Kolkata

Ongoing Work

August 2019 - Present August 2019 - Present Sep 2019 - Present Complex Systems in Finance

Past Experience

Summer 2019

Stochastic Amplification of Ecological Systems

Dr. Amos Maritan — University of Padua, Italy

Population Level Models often show different behaviour than Individual Level Models because the PLMs are mean field equivalent of the ILMs. In particular, Lotka Volterra equations in finite size systems do not show cyclic populations (unlike infinite population size model). But in observation, we see many predator prey systems having cycles. This can be explained using tools of stochastic processes (like Fokker Planck Equation, van Kampen Expansion, Langevin Dynamics) which manage to include the finite size effects and stochasticity in the population to qualitatively show cycles in population with finite size. The same tools were also extended to MacArthur Consumer Resource model to show non trivial power spectrum of simulated time series population data.

Summer 2018

Analysis of Template directed Polymerization

Dr. Supratim Sengupta — IISER Kolkata

RNA replication should have preluded DNA replication. But there is evidence to suggest that a pre-RNA world existed where replication occurred due to self replicating polymers, that led later to complex structures like RNA. In such a self replicating polymer, the conditions of template directed polymerization were studied.

Summer 2017

Extreme Events on Complex Networks

Dr. MS Santhanam — IISER Pune

Work here primarily consisted of running simulations of random walks on complex graphs to check for a pattern arising in extreme events i.e, paths with low probability and to see if it would help in prediction of probability of occurrence of paths in the graph.

Summer 2016

Game Theory and Population Dynamics

Dr. Sandeep Krishna — NCBS Bangalore

This was mainly a reading project in Game Theory. The basics of Game Theory was studied and some simulations of three player and five player games (equivalent to Rock Paper Scissors and Rock Paper Scissors Lizard Spock) was done. Towards the later part of the summer, population dynamics model of Cuscuta (a plant that is a parasite of plants) was attempted and prelimnary simulations were run.

Conferences and Workshops

July 2019

Conference on Complex Systems - 2019 — Trento, Italy

Organized by Complex Systems Society, Italy

¹Indian Institute of Science Education and Research

Relevant Courses

Spring 2019

Evolutionary Dynamics

A course on introduction to evolutionary dynamics ideas like fitness landscape, sequence spaces, evolutionary games, finite population games and evolutionary graph theory.

Statistics Laboratory

Introduction, visualization and computation of various statistical tools using MATLAB.

Advanced Statistical Mechanics

An advanced course on statistical mechanics dealing with topics such as mean field theory and renormalization group theory.

Soft Matter Physics

An introductory course on soft matter systems using tools learnt in statistical mechanics. Topics range from broken symmetry to elasticity.

Fall 2018

Non-Linear Dynamics

Introduction to the basic ideas of nonlinear dynamics and chaos in classical systems modelled by ordinary differential equations and iterated maps

Fall 2017

Computational Physics

Course primarily covered introduction to some of the widely used methods of computational physics. Emphasis was on numerical methods of differentiation, integration, solving ODEs and PDEs and Monte Carlo methods. Problems from classical mechanics, quantum mechanics and statistical physics were tackled.

Languages Known

Java | Beginner proficiency

Python Advanced proficiency (packages used: NumPy, matplotlib, SciPy, NetworkX)

LATEX Intermediate proficiency

gnuplot | Intermediate proficiency in graphing software

HTML and CSS | Intermediate proficiency

Extracurricular Activities

Inquivesta | Annual College Fest

2016 | Web development team and Event Organizer (Debate and Oratorial)

Inquivesta | Annual College Fest

2017 Events Coordinator

Aarshi Dramatics Club of IISER Kolkata

2017 Club Treasurer

Aarshi | Annual Drama Production

2017 Part of Cast in full length production

Campus Radio | College Radio Station

2018 | Chief Operations Officer

Lexis | First Literary fest of IISER Kolkata

2018 One of the founding Core Committee Members