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RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research focuses on the theoretical foundations of computer science, with particular emphasis on **Algebraic Complexity Theory** and **Computational Complexity**.

EMPLOYMENT

IT University of Copenhagen
Postdoctoral Researcher
Theoretical Computer Science Section
Advisor: [Prof Nutan Limaye](#)

Copenhagen, Denmark
2024 -

EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
Doctor of Philosophy
Computer Science and Engineering
Thesis: *Treading the Borders for Explicitness, Circuit Factoring, and Identity Testing* [[pdf](#)]
Advisor: [Prof Nitin Saxena](#)

Kanpur, India
2018 - 2025

KCC Institute of Technology and Management
Bachelor of Technologies
Computer Science and Engineering

Gautam Buddha Nagar, India
2013 - 2017

PUBLICATIONS

[A primer on the closure of algebraic complexity classes under factoring](#)

with C. S. Bhargav and Nitin Saxena

To appear in the proceedings of Recent Trends in Computer Algebra (RTCA), 2025

2025

[Monotone bounded-depth complexity of homomorphism polynomials](#)

with C. S. Bhargav, Shiteng Chen, Radu Curticapean

50th International Symposium on Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science (MFCS), 2025

2024

[Learning the coefficients: A presentable version of border complexity and applications to circuit factoring](#)

with C.S. Bhargav and Nitin Saxena

56th Annual ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC), 2024

2024

[Lower bounds for the sum of small-size algebraic branching programs](#)

with C.S. Bhargav and Nitin Saxena

19th Annual Conference of Theory and Applications of Models of Computation (TAMC), 2024

Invited in the special issue of Theoretical Computer Science (Theor. Comput. Sci.)

2024

[Demystifying the border of depth-3 algebraic circuits](#)

with Pranjali Dutta and Nitin Saxena

62nd Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS)

Invited in the special issue of SIAM Journal on Computing (SICOMP)

2021

Deterministic identity testing paradigms for bounded top-fanin depth-4 circuits

with Pranjal Dutta and Nitin Saxena

36th Computational Complexity Conference (CCC)

The full version is currently under review in Theory of Computing (ToC)

2021

ACADEMIC TALKS AND SEMINARS

Monotone Bounded-Depth Complexity of Homomorphism Polynomials

ARCO, Malmö University, Sweden

2024

Presentable Version of Border Complexity and Applications to Circuit Factoring

- Ulm University, Germany

2024

- Welcome talk at the Theory Group, ITU, and BARC, KU

2024

Treading the Border Complexity and Identity Testing Paradigms

Thesis Defense, IIT Kanpur

2022

Deterministic identity testing paradigms for bounded top-fanin depth 4 circuits.

Invited Talk, CS Theory Seminar at Georgetown University

2021

Deterministic identity testing paradigms for bounded top-fanin depth-4 circuits

- Workshop on Algebra and Computation (WAC), Göteborg

2023

- 7th Workshop on Algebraic Complexity Theory (WACT), Warwick

2023

- CS Theory Seminar at Georgetown University

2021

- Conference Presentation, (CCC)

2021

Information-Theoretic And Algorithmic Thresholds For Group Testing

PhD Comprehensive Evaluation, IIT Kanpur

2020

On Approximative Closure of Algebraic Complexity Classes

SIGTACS, IIT Kanpur

2019

SHORT TERM VISITS

57th Annual ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC)

Prague, Czech Republic

2025

Université Savoie Mont Blanc, France

Host: Prof. Sébastien Tavenas

2025

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai

Host: Prof Mrinal Kumar

2025

Ulm University, Germany

Host: Prof Thomas Thierauf

2024

Algorithmic Research-Cooperation around Oresund (ARCO)

Malmö University, Sweden

2024

Summer of Counting and Algebraic Complexity

IT University of Copenhagen (ITU) in Copenhagen, Denmark

2023

Workshop on Algebra and Computation (WAC)

Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg

2023

7th Workshop on Algebraic Complexity Theory (WACT) <i>The University of Warwick, UK</i>	2023
2nd Swiss Winter School on Theoretical Computer Science <i>Jointly organized by EPFL and ETH Zurich in Zinal</i>	2023
Chennai Mathematical Institute (CMI) <i>Host: Prof Partha Mukhopadhyay</i>	2022
62nd Annual Symposium on Foundations of Computer Science (FOCS) <i>Denver, Colorado - Attended Virtually</i>	2022
36th Computational Complexity Conference (CCC), 2021. <i>Toronto, Ontario, Canada - Attended Virtually</i>	2021
48th International Colloquium on Automata, Languages, and Programming (ICALP) <i>Glasgow, Scotland - Attended Virtually</i>	2021
52nd ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing (STOC) <i>Chicago, US - Attended Virtually</i>	2020
Workshop on Algebraic Complexity Theory <i>ICTS, Bengaluru</i>	2019

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Invited to participate in Summer of Counting and Algebraic Complexity at ITU Copenhagen <i>Full financial support</i>	2023
Selected to attend Swiss Winter School on Theoretical Computer Science <i>Partial financial support</i>	2023
Recipient of financial support from Microsoft Research India and IARCS-ACM India <i>To attend Academic conference</i>	2022
Ranked 23 in Joint Entrance Screening Test (JEST)	2018
Ranked 1179 in Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) Computer Science <i>Among approximately 1,00,000 candidates</i>	2017
Presented Undergraduate project at University level Science and Technology Conference.	2017
Academic Excellence Award <i>KCC ITM, India</i>	2014

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Project, ITU Copenhagen <i>Mentoring Thøger Bro and Emil Andreas Sondum Jointly with Prof Riko Jacob</i>	2025
Head Tutor at CSE, IIT Kanpur <i>Responsible for practical assignments, Lab Exam, and all the course-related logistical support</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data Structures and Algorithms 	2024
Mathematics for Computer Science, IIT Kanpur <i>Adhyayan 2023, Summer School. Jointly with C.S. Bhargav</i>	
Tutor at CSE, IIT Kanpur	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Computing 	2022

- Data Structures and Algorithms 2019

Teaching Assistant at CSE, IIT Kanpur

- Computational Complexity 2021
- Modern Cryptology 2021
- Mathematics for Computer Science 2020
- Data Structures and Algorithms 2018
- Introduction to Computing 2018

Teaching Assistant in Massive Online Courses

- Introduction to Cryptography | eMasters, IIT Kanpur 2022
- Randomized methods in Computational Complexity | NPTEL 2021
- Arithmetic Circuit Complexity | NPTEL 2020
- Modern Algebra | NPTEL 2019

PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Reviewer for Conferences

FOCS 2025, ITCS 2025, STOC 2025, STOC 2024, FSTTCS 2024, FOCS 2023, ISSAC 2023
STOC 2023, CCC 2022, ITCS 2022, SODA 2021, FOCS 2021

Reviewer for journals

SIAM Journal on Computing

Seminar Organizer at CSE, IIT Kanpur

Regularly organise talks and seminars in a department special interest group (SIGTACS)

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name	Prateek Dwivedi (प्रतीक द्विवेदी)
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REFERENCES

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