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## **Employment**

NISER, Bhubaneswar, India (Nov 2022 - present). Assistant Professor. ICJ, University of Jean Monnet, France (May-Aug 2025). Foreign Researcher. ICJ, University of Jean Monnet, France (May-June 2024). Visiting Professor. University of Edinburgh, UK(2020-2022). Postdoctoral Research Associate. Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn. (2018 - 20). Postdoctoral Fellow. Université Laval, Québec City, Canada (2016-18). Postdoctoral Fellow.

## Education

2011-2016 Integrated PhD in Mathematics, The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, Advisor: Sankaran Viswanath.

Thesis: Demazure flags, Chebyshev polynomials and mock theta functions.

2010-2011 Master of Science in Mathematics, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India.

2006-2010 **Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education**, Regional Institute of Education, Bhubaneswar, India.

## Research Interests

Representation Theory of affine Lie Algebras, Modular forms, Macdonald polynomials.

## **Publications**

## Published/Accepted.

- (1) Rekha Biswal and Ghislain Fourier; *Minuscule Schubert Varieties: Poset Polytopes*, *PBW-degenerated Demazure Modules*, and *Kogan Faces*, Algebras and Representation Theory, **18**, (2015), Issue 6, pages 1481-1503. (https://arxiv.org/abs/1410.1126)
- (2) Rekha Biswal, Vyjayanthi Chari, Lisa Schneider and Sankaran Viswanath; *Demazure Flags, Chebyshev Polynomials, Partial and Mock Theta functions*, Journal of Combinatorial Theory, Series A, 140, (2016), pages 38-75. (https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.05322)
- (3) Rekha Biswal, Vyjayanthi Chari and Deniz Kus; *Demazure Flags*, *q-Fibonacci Polynomials and Hypergeometric Series*, Res. Math. Sci. 5(2018), no.1, Paper No.12, 34 pp. (https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.01069)
- (4) Rekha Biswal and Deniz Kus; *A combinatorial formula for graded multiplicities in excellent filtrations*. Transformation Groups, (2021), Vol. 26, pp. 81-114.(https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.02667.pdf)
- (5) Rekha Biswal and Travis Scrimshaw; Existence of Kirillov-Reshetikhin crystals for multiplicity free nodes (Publ. Res. Inst. Math. Sci., (2020), Volume 56, 761-778)(https://arxiv.org/pdf/1902.00769.pdf).
- (6) Rekha Biswal, Vyjayanthi Chari, Peri Shereen and Jeffrey Wand; Macdonald polynomials and level two Demazure modules for affine sl<sub>n+1</sub> Journal of Algebra, Volume 575, (2021), pages 159-191(https://arxiv.org/pdf/1910.05848.pdf).
- (7) Georgia Benkart, Rekha Biswal, Ellen Kirkmann, Van C Nguyen and Jieru Zhu; *McKay matrices for finite dimensional Hopf algebras* Canad. J. Math. (2021), pp. 1–46 (https://arxiv.org/pdf/2007.05510.pdf)

## publications(continued....)

### Published.

- (8) Rekha Biswal and Travis Scrimshaw; *Kirillov-Reshetikhin crystals* B<sup>7,s</sup> *for type* E<sup>1</sup><sub>7</sub> (Comm. Algebra. (2022) 508-523)(https://arxiv.org/pdf/1901.00182.pdf).
- (9) Rekha Biswal, Abdelkarim Chakhar and Xiao He; Classification of rank two Lie conformal algebras (Journal of Ramanujan Mathematical Society, (2021), 203-219) (https://arxiv.org/pdf/1712.05478.pdf).
- (10) Georgia Benkart, Rekha Biswal, Ellen Kirkmann, Van C Nguyen and Jieru Zhu; *Tensor representations for the Drinfeld double of the Taft algebras* (Journal of Algebra, (2022) 764-797)(https://arxiv.org/pdf/2012.15277.pdf)
- (11) Rekha Biswal and Susan J. Sierra; *Ideals in enveloping algebras of affine Kac-Moody algebras* (To appear in Algebra and Number Theory)(https://arxiv.org/pdf/2112.08334.pdf)

## Submitted/In Preparation.

(12) Rekha Biswal and Stephane Gaussent; Existence of a new family of irreducible components in the tensor product and its applications(Submitted)(https://arxiv.org/pdf/2501.15837)

## Awards and Fellowships/recognition

#### Awards.

 Odisha young scientist award for the year 2022 in the category of "odia scientists working outside the state of Odisha".

## Fellowships.

- Oberwolfach Foundation Fellowship, April 2024.
- o Selected for UGC-CSIR Junior Research Fellowship, July 2013.
- o National Board of Higher Mathematics (NBHM) Ph.D Fellowship, 2011.
- o National Board of Higher Mathematics (NBHM) M.Sc Fellowship, 2010.

## Recognition.

- Employed as visiting professor at ICJ, University of Jean Monnet, France for one month during the period May-June 2024.
- o Hired by CNRS, at the Institute Camile Jordan as a foreign researcher for 3 months on fixed-term contract (May 16-Aug 15, 2025).

# Teaching Experience

Jan-April Taught a course on Topology II (M485) to Int.PhD students at National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.

Aug-Nov Taught a course on Lie Algebras (M476) to masters and PhD students at National 2024 National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.

Jan-April Taught a course on Algebra II(MA602) to PhD students at National Institute of Sci-2024 ence Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.

Aug-Nov Taught a course on Commutative Algebra (M403) to masters and PhD students at National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.

Jan-April Taught a course on Field theory(M307) to third year masters students at National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.

Jan-Feb, Taught a course on representation theory of finite groups to first year PhD students at SMSTC(Scottish Mathematical Sciences Training Center) in Edinburgh.

May 25-29, Taught a short course on Topology to masters students and college teachers 2016 in the summer school at the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India

- Winter 2013 Teaching assistant for Lie Algebra course at the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India
- Summer 2013 Teaching assistant for Algebra course at the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India
- Winter 2012 Tutor for Representation Theory course in Annual Foundation School at Chennai Mathematical Institute, Chennai, India

Apr-May, Worked as a teaching intern at DM School, Bhubaneswar where I taught Physics and Mathematics to students of Std. IX.

## Conferences

- o Representation Theory and Related Geometry: Progress and Prospects (May 27-31,2024), University of Georgia, Athens, GA, USA.
- Oberwolfach Arbeitsgemeinschaft: Geometry and Representation Theory around the P=W Conjecture. (March 31 April 5, 2024), Oberwolfach, Germany.
- o Conference: Taipei conference on representation theory VII(Dec 18-22, 2023), Institute of Mathematics, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan.
- o Conference: Harish Chandra representation theory and Harmonic Analysis (Oct 8-15, 2023), Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad, India.
- o Workshop: Kac-Moody Geometry(July 24-28, 2023), Kiel University, Germany.
- o Conference: Representation Theory in Lyon(June 25- July 1, 2023), University of Lyon, France.
- Workshop: Winter STAR workshop(Jan 29-Feb 3, 2023), Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel.
- o Conference: A day and half with Dixmier and Moeglin(June 30-July 1, 2022), University of Manchester, UK.
- o Workshop: Future directions in algebraic groups and Lie algebras in the UK(April 11-13 2022), University of Birmingham, UK.
- o Introductory Workshop: Higher Categories and Categorification (February 10-14, 2020), MSRI, Berkeley, USA.
- o Connections for Women: Higher Categories and Categorification (February 6-7, 2020), MSRI, Berkeley, USA.
- o Introductory Workshop: Quantum Symmetries(January 27-31, 2020), MSRI, Berkeley, USA.
- o Connections for Women: Quantum Symmetries(January 23-24, 2020), MSRI, Berkeley, USA.
- o Conference on representation theory and integrable systems, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland, August 12-16, 2019.
- o Summer School and workshop on Geometric representation theory and low-dimensional topology, University of Edinburgh, UK, 3 14 June 2019.
- Women in Noncommutative Algebra and Representation Theory, University of Leeds, UK, May 20 – 24, 2019.
- o Taipei Conference on representation theory VI 2019, National Taiwan University, Taiwan, January 7-11, 2019.
- o Nikolaus Conference 2018, RWTH Aachen University, Germany, December 7-8, 2018.
- Conference on Algebraic Groups, Lie Algebras and their Representations, Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany, November 22-24, 2018

- Workshop on representation theory, combinatorics and geometry, University of Virginia, USA, Oct 19-21, 2018
- o Sage Days, ICERM, Brown University, USA. July 23–28, 2018
- o Southeastern Lie Theory Workshop X , University of Georgia, Athens, GA , USA. June 10–12, 2018
- Conference on Interactions of quantum affine algebras with cluster algebras, current algebras and categorification, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., USA June 2-8, 2018
- School and workshop on Equivariant Combinatorics, Centre de recherches mathematiques (CRM), Montreal, Canada, June 12-23, 2017
- o The 2017 Midwest Combinatorics Conference, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA, May 23-25, 2017.
- Workshop on Mid-Atlantic Algebra, Geometry, and Combinatorics (MAAGC), Drexel University, Philadelphia, USA. May 5-6, 2017.
- o Conference on *Texas-Oklahoma Representations and Automorphic forms VIII*, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, USA. March 31-April 2, 2017.
- o Conference on *Combinatorial Algebra meets Algebraic Combinatorics*, Université du Québec à Montréal, Montréal, Québec , Canada, January 27-29, 2017.
- o Conference on Texas-Oklahoma Representations and Automorphic forms VII, University of North Texas, Denton, TX, USA. April 8-10, 2016.
- o International Conference on Number Theory, SASTRA University, Thanjavur, TN, India. Dec 21-22, 2015.
- o Workshop on *Lie Groups, Lie Algebras and their Representations*, University of California, Riverside, USA. Feb 14-15, 2015.
- o Workshop on *Combinatorial Representation Theory*, The Centre de recherches mathématiques (CRM) in Montréal, Canada. April 21-25, 2014.
- o Workshop on *Hall and Cluster Algebras*, The Centre de recherches mathématiques (CRM) in Montréal, Canada. May 8-12, 2014.
- Lecture series on Modular representations of algebraic groups by Professor Peter Fiebig at The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India. October 6-19, 2013
- Advanced Instructional School on Chevalley Groups, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune, India. July 2013.
- o Lecture series on *Cohomological finite generation* by Professor Wilberd van der Kallen at The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India. June-Aug, 2013.
- Advanced Instructional School on Commutative algebra, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras, India. May 2013.
- o Annual Foundation School III, Harish-Chandra Research Institute (HRI), Allahabad, India. July 2012.
- o Lecture series on *Infinite dimensional Lie algebras* by Professor Vyjayanthi Chari at The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India. August 16-30, 2011.
- o Annual Foundation School II, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India. July 2011.

## Talks

## Conference/Workshop Talks

- o Oberwolfach Arbeitsgemeinschaft: Geometry and Representation Theory around the P=W Conjecture. (March 31 April 5, 2024), Oberwolfach, Germany.
- Inter IISER-NISER Meet(Sept 29-Oct 1, 2023), National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.
- o Workshop on Kac-Moody geometry(July 24-28, 2023), Kiel University, Germany.
- o WInter STAR Workshop(Jan 29- Feb 3, 2023), Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel.
- o Conference on representation theory and integrable systems (Aug 12-16, 2019), ETH, Zurich, Switzerland.
- o Nikolaus Conference 2018 (December 7-8), RWTH Aachen University, Germany.
- o Texas-Oklahama Representations and Automorphic forms VII (April 2016), University of North Texas, Denton, TX, USA.
- o International Conference on Number Theory (December 2015), SASTRA University, Thanjavur, TN, India.

## Seminar Talks

- o seminar talk(Jan 9, 2025) The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India.
- o seminar talk(June 18, 2024) University of Clermont Auvergne, France.
- o seminar talk(June 13, 2024) University of Lyon, France.
- o seminar talk(May 13, 2024) University of Vienna, Austria.
- o seminar talk(Nov 17, 2023) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.
- o seminar talk(June 13, 2023) Uppsala University, Sweden.
- o seminar talk(March 28, 2022) Chennai Mathematical Institute, Chennai, India.
- o seminar talk(March 3, 2022) ICTS, Bangalore, India.
- o seminar talk(Jan 28, 2022) Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad, India.
- o seminar talk(Sep 27, 2021) Indian Statistical Institute, India.
- o seminar talk (Dec 17, 2020) The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India.
- o seminar talk(Nov 19, 2020) Northeastern University, USA.
- o seminar talk(Oct 14, 2020) University of Edinburgh, UK.
- o seminar talk(May 8, 2020) National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar, India.
- o seminar talk(Feb 28,2020) Central Michigan University, USA.
- o Representation theory seminar talk (Feb 21,2020) Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, USA.
- o Integrable systems and Mathematical Physics seminar talk (Feb 20,2020) Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis, USA.
- o seminar talk(Feb 14,2020) University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA.
- o seminar talk(Feb 13,2020) University of Pittsburgh, USA.
- o Combinatorics seminar talk(Feb 5,2020) University of Southern California, Los Angeles, USA.
- o Combinatorics seminar talk (Feb 4,2020) University of California, San Diego, USA.
- o Combinatorics seminar talk (Feb 3,2020) University of California, Berkeley, USA.
- o Combinatorics seminar talk(Jan 31,2020) San Francisco State University, USA.
- o Oberseminar talk(Nov 15, 2019), University of Bonn, Germany.
- o seminar talk(Oct 31,2019) University college Dublin, Ireland.

- o Seminar talk (Sep 19, 2019), Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India.
- o Seminar talk(Sep 18, 2019), Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune, India.
- o Algebra and combinatorics seminar (Sep 16, 2019), Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India.
- o Colloquium talk(Sep 12, 2019), Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, India.
- o Seminar talk (Feb 14, 2019), Max Planck Institute for Mathematics, Bonn, Germany.
- o Algebra seminar (Nov 13, 2018), RWTH Aachen University, Germany
- o Algebra and combinatorics seminar(Oct 22, 2018), North Carolina State University, USA
- o Algebra seminar(Oct 12, 2018), Laval University, Canada.
- o Lie Group/Quantum Mathematics Seminar(Feb 23, 2018), Rutgers University, USA.
- o Algebra seminar (Nov 29, 2017), University of Ottawa, Canada.
- o CAGE seminar (Nov 16, 2017), University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, USA.
- o Algebra seminar (Nov 10, 2017), Rutgers University, USA.
- o Combinatorics/Partitions Seminar(Nov 14, 2017), Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, USA.
- o Combinatorics seminar (Nov 3, 2017), Université du Québec à Montréal, Canada.
- o Algebra seminar (Oct 11, 2017), University of Waterloo, Canada.
- o Algebra and Combinatorics seminar(June 5, 2017), North Carolina State University, Raleigh, USA.
- o Algebra seminar (October 2016), Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, USA.

## Other Contributions and Activities

- Participated in the Indian Women and Mathematics Symposium at The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India (Jan 8-10, 2012).
- o Participated in the Indian Women and Mathematics Symposium at Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune, India (July 26-28, 2013).
- o Participated in Sage Days 60 at The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai, India (August 14-17, 2014).

## Professional activities

- o Journal refereed:
- 1. Communications in Algebra,
- 2. Journal of Algebra,
- 3. Transformation Groups,
- 4. Journal of Algebra and Applications
- 5. Journal of combinatorial Theory Series A