Saksham Rathi

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2022 - 2026 Indian Institute of Technology Bombay Bachelor's of Technology

Pursuing majors in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) along with honors and minor in Machine Intelligence and Data Science (CPI - 9.6/10)

2020 - 2022 **Disha Delphi Public School, Kota** Senior Secondary Education Secured 99.0% in CBSE Class 12th Board Examination

2008-2020 **Delhi Public School, Kota** *Primary and Secondary Education* Secured 98.6% in CBSE Class 10th Board Examination

Research Experience and Internships

Current Software Engineering Internship

Citadel, London

2024 Applied Scientist Internship

Amazon, Bangalore

- (a) Worked on Amazon's Large Language Model Olympus and improved its instruction following ability
- (b) Implemented Classifier-free Guidance method to enhance focus on key parts of user queries and system prompts, optimizing the balance between conditional and unconditional probabilities using a hyper-parameter
- (c) Evaluated the performance of Olympus and some open source models on various single and multi-turn datasets

2024-25 Compressive Lognormal Regression

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay. Guide: Prof. Ajit Rajwade.

- (a) Improving on the current viral load estimators used in compressed sensing pool testing methods for RT-PCR
- $(b) \ \ Utilizing \ Bayesian \ inference \ to \ estimate \ distributions \ of \ infected \ samples \ and \ errors \ in \ their \ testing \ parameters$
- (c) Using combinatorial group testing and compressed sensing to improve upon algorithms for deconvoluting pooled tests

Academic Achievements

- 2022 Secured All India Rank 18 in Joint Entrance Examination Advanced among 250,000 selected students
- 2023 Secured Department Rank 12 in a batch of 174 students, in Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Bombay
- 2023 Awarded the Institute Academic Prize for being among the top 20 out of 1400 students in first year
- 2023 Achieved 10 Semester Performance Index (SPI) by scoring a perfect grade in the Spring Semester of first year
- 2020 Awarded the NTSE Scholarship after a two-tier merit-based procedure by NCERT, Government of India
- 2021, 2022 Recipient of the **Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana**, a coveted fellowship by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India by securing **All India Ranks 24** and **33** in the SX and the SA streams
 - 2022 Secured All India Rank 321 in Joint Entrance Examination Main among 900,000 students

Olympiads and Competitions

- 2022 Among the **top 26** students to clear the Indian National Astronomy Olympiad (INAO) and selected to attend the **Orientation-Cum-Selection Camp** for **International Astronomy Olympiad** (IOAA)
- 2024, 2025 Was among the **top 50** at Limestone Data Challenge conducted by **Tower Research Capital**, India in collaboration with the Finance Club, IIT Bombay amongst 200+ participating candidates across all academic years
 - 2020 Selected among the **top 40** students to clear the Indian National Junior Science Olympiad (INJSO) and selected to attend the **Orientation-Cum-Selection Camp** for **International Junior Science Olympiad** (IJSO)
 - 2022 Among the top 300 students selected for the Indian National Physics Olympiad conducted by HBCSE
 - 2018 Selected among the top 300 students for the Indian National Mathematics Olympiad, HBCSE

Key Projects

Other Projects

Positions of Responsibility

2025 $\$ **Teaching Assistant** | Discrete Structures, IIT Bombay

Instructor: Prof. Akshay S

2025 **Teaching Assistant** | Operating Systems, IIT Bombay

Instructor: Prof. Mythili Vutukuru

Collaborated with the professor in creating labs, exams and autograders

DAMP Mentor | Department Academic Mentorship Programme, IIT Bombay CSE 2024-25

Selected via a rigorous procedure of SoP, Peer Reviews, and Interviews to be part of a team of 37 out of 90

Guiding sophomores on academic and extra-curricular decisions and helping them navigate their curriculum

2024 **Teaching Assistant** | Data Analysis and Interpretation, IIT Bombay

Instructor: Prof. Sunita Sarawagi

Instructed sophomore students, offering guidance and support both during tutorials and doubt solving sessions Collaborated with the professor in creating weekly quizzes, exams, assignments, practice problems, tutorial notes and grading

2024 **Teaching Assistant** | Software Systems Lab, IIT Bombay

Instructor: Prof. Kameswari Chebrolu

Instructed a cohort of 50 freshman students, offering guidance and support both during tutorial and lab hours Collaborated with the professor in creating labs, exams, autograders, quizzes, practice problems and tutorial

2024 **Mentor** | Seasons of Code, IIT Bombay

Web and Coding Club

Instructed a group of 25 students for Competitive Programming and provided them the appropriate resources and problems for Dynamic Programming, Sorting, Greedy, Graphs, Trees, Range and String Algorithms

2023 **Teaching Assistant** | Calculus, IIT Bombay

Instructor: Prof. Ravi Raghunathan

Guided and instructed a group of 40 freshmen students enrolled in a semester-long calculus course Actively collaborated with the professors to ensure the seamless and effective execution of the course

2023 Mentor | Winter in Data Science, IIT Bombay

Analytics Club

Provided mentorship to a team of 10 students for a data analysis project involving Python and MATLAB, guiding them in presenting results on a personal website through HTML, JavaScript, and CSS integration

Coursework

Computer Data Structures and Algorithms§, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Digital Logic Design and Computer Architecture§, Computer Science Networks§, Programming Paradigms§, Implementation of Programming Languages§, Database and Information Systems§, Logic and theory for Computation, Operating Systems§, Software Systems Lab§, Computer Programming and Utilization§, Computing and Science§, Applied Algorithms, Game Theory and Algorithmic Mechanism Design, Blockchains, Cryptocurrencies and Smart Contracts

Matematics

Discrete Structures, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Mathematical Structures for Control

Data Science Data Analysis and Interpretation, Optimization, Medical Image Computing, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning§, Digital Image Processing, Advanced Image Processing, Advanced Machine Learning

Others

Organic and Inorganic Chemistry§, Physical Chemistry§, Classical and Quantum Physics, Makerspace, Management, Philosophy, Biology, Economics, Design Thinking for Innovation, Development of Mathematics in India, Physiology, Environmental Studies, Entrepreneurship

§ along with a lab component

Technical Skills

Languages

Programming C++, Python, HTML, CSS, Git, JavaScript, VHDL, MIPS, Sed, Awk, Shell, Bash

Software LATEX, Qiskit, GitHub, Autodesk Fusion 360, Arduino, Pygame

Tools

Data Science Matplotlib, MATLAB, NumPy, Keras, TensorFlow, PyTorch, SciPy, Pandas

Verbal Debate, Group Discussion

Extracurriculars

2024 Received the Excellence in CSE Teaching Assistantship Award for the Software Systems Lab course

2023 Engineered a manually controlled robot, imbued with the ability to navigate through a diverse array of obstacles while participating in the prestigious XLR8 Competition, the Robotics Club of IIT Bombay

2019 Secured third rank in Rajmata Gayatri Devi National Inter-School Verbattle Debate Competition

- 2019 Appointed as the **Prime Minister** during a **Model United Nations** session, which serves as a platform aimed at fostering political discourse and encouraging the exchange of thoughtful ideas of international affairs
- 2023 Completed a one-year course in Weightlifting under National Sports Organization, IIT Bombay
- 2019 Secured First Rank in Science Quiz organised by Defence Laboratory, Jodhpur on National Science Day
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