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# **Research Interests**

Network science · science of science · social and information networks · machine learning

## Education

**University of Notre Dame** 

Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D. in Computer Science & Engineering

2017 - 2022

Adviser: Tim Weninger

Thesis: Scalable and Interpretable Graph Modeling with Graph Grammars

Committee: David Chiang, Peter Kogge, and Danai Koutra

**Heritage Institute of Technology** 

Kolkata, India

B.Tech. in Computer Science & Engineering

2013 - 2017

Advisers: Partha Basuchowdhuri and Subhashis Majumder

Thesis: Learning Models for Influence Maximization

# **Honors and Awards**

**Teaching Award**: Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award 2022

Student Award: Best Student Award for Academic Excellence – Class of 2017

Travel Award: ACM WSDM 2022

Travel Award: ACM IKDD Conference on Data Science 2016

# **Research Experience**

Indiana University Bloomington, IN

Postdoctoral Fellow, Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, & Engineering

Jan 2022 –

Adviser: Santo Fortunato

Investigated collaboration and citation networks to model the scientific enterprise.

Snap Inc. Remote

Research Intern, Computational Social Science Team

May - Aug 2020

Mentors: Neil Shah and Leonardo Neves

Modeled large attributed social network graphs.

University of Notre Dame Graduate Research Assistant Notre Dame, IN

May 2018 – Dec 2021

**Adviser**: Tim Weninger

Proposed scalable and interpretable graph generative models using graph grammars.

**Heritage Institute of Technology** 

Kolkata, India Apr 2015 – Jul 2017

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Advisers: Partha Basuchowdhuri and Subhashis Majumder

Implemented novel graph community detection algorithms.

# **Publications**

(\* equal contribution

AR acceptance rate

IF impact factor)

## Journal Articles.....

- [J4] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, and S. Fortunato, "Collaboration and topic switches in science," Scientific Reports, 2024, [IF:4.6].
- [J3] Ş. Erkol, **S. Sikdar**, F. Radicchi, and S. Fortunato, "Consistency Pays off in Science," Quantitative Science Studies (QSS), 2023.
- [J2] **S. Sikdar**, D. G. Cedre, T. W. Ford, and T. Weninger, "The Infinity Mirror Test for Graph Models," *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)*, 2022, [IF:8.9].
- [J1] P. Basuchowdhuri, **S. Sikdar**, V. Nagarajan, K. Mishra, S. Gupta, and S. Majumder, "Fast Detection of Community Structures using Graph Traversal in Social Networks," Knowledge and Information Systems (KAIS), 2018, [IF:2.7].

# Conference Papers.....

- [C6] **S. Sikdar**, N. Shah, and T. Weninger, "Attributed Graph Modeling with Vertex Replacement Grammars," ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM), 2022, [AR:18%].
- [C5] J. I. Hibshman, D. G. Cedre, **S. Sikdar**, and T. Weninger, "Joint Subgraph-to-Subgraph Transitions: Generalizing Triadic Closure for Powerful and Interpretable Graph Modeling," ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM), 2021, [AR:18%].
- [C4] J. I. Hibshman, **S. Sikdar**, and T. Weninger, "Towards Interpretable Graph Modeling with Vertex Replacement Grammars," IEEE International Conference on Big Data (BigData), 2019, [AR:19%].
- [C3] **S. Sikdar**, J. Hibshman, and T. Weninger, "Modeling Graphs with Vertex Replacement Grammars," *IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM)*, 2019, [AR:9%].
- [C2] C. Pennycuff, **S. Sikdar**, C. Vajiac, D. Chiang, and T. Weninger, "Synchronous Hyperedge Replacement Graph Grammars," International Conference on Graph Transformation (ICGT), 2018.
- [C1] P. Basuchowdhuri, **S. Sikdar**, S. Shreshtha, and S. Majumder, "Detecting Community Structures in Social Networks by Graph Sparsification," ACM IKDD Conference on Data Science (CODS), 2016, [AR:5%].

#### Peer-reviewed Abstracts.....

- [A5] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, M. L. Charpignon, S. Kumar, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, S. Fortunato, and M. S. Majumder, "*The COVID-19 Research Outbreak: How the Pandemic Culminated in a Surge of New Researchers*," International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC<sup>2</sup>S<sup>2</sup>), Contributed Talk, 2023, [AR:31%].
- [A4] S. Sikdar\*, S. Venturini\*, M. L. Charpignon, S. Kumar, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, S. Fortunato, and M. S. Majumder, "The COVID-19 Research Outbreak: How the Pandemic Culminated in a Surge of New Researchers," International Conference on Science of Science and Innvoation (ICSSI), Contributed Talk, 2023.
- [A3] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, and S. Fortunato, "Collaboration and Topic Switches in Science," International Conference on Computational Social Science (IC<sup>2</sup>S<sup>2</sup>), Plenary Talk, 2023, [AR:1.75%].
- [A2] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, and S. Fortunato, "Collaboration and Topic Switches in Science," International Conference on Science of Science and Innvoation (ICSSI), Contributed Talk, 2023.
- [A1] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, and S. Fortunato, "Collaboration and Topic Switches in Science," International Conference on Network Science (NetSci), Contributed Talk, 2023.

#### Contributed Chapters.....

[R2] **S. Sikdar**, "NetworkX Graph Library," A Survey of Graph Processing Paradigms, P. M. Kogge, Ed., University of Notre Dame, 2019. DOI: 10.7274/r0-z6dc-9c71.

[R1] **S. Sikdar**, "Spectral Community Detection," A Survey of Graph Kernels, P. M. Kogge, Ed., University of Notre Dame, 2019. DOI: 10.7274/r0-e7wb-da60.

# Under Preparation.....

- [P2] **S. Sikdar**\*, A. Ghavasieh\*, M. De Domenico, and S. Fortunato, "Persistent Energy Localization Determines the Mesoscale Functional Organization of Complex Networks," Forthcoming, 2024.
- [P1] **S. Sikdar**\*, S. Venturini\*, M. L. Charpignon, S. Kumar, F. Rinaldi, F. Tudisco, S. Fortunato, and M. S. Majumder, "The COVID-19 Research Outbreak: How the Pandemic Culminated in a Surge of New Researchers," Forthcoming, 2024.

Presentations	(* virtual talk)
Invited Talks	
Heritage Institute of Technology, Kolkata, India	Sep 2022
Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Kolkata, India	Sep 2022
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY	Mar 2022
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, CA*	Apr 2021
University of Illinois, Urbana, IL*	Apr 2021
Missouri State University, Springfield, MO*	Feb 2021
South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD*	Dec 2020
Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Kolkata, India	Oct 2019
Vidyasagar College, Kolkata, India	Jan 2016
Posters	
Consistency Pays off in Science. ICSSI 2023	June 2023
The Infinity Mirror Test for Graph Generators. SIAM NS 2020 🛭	July 2020
Modeling Graphs with Vertex Replacement Grammars. SIAM NS 2019, NetSci 2019 🛭	May 2019
Synchronous Hyperedge Replacement Graph Grammars. MSLD 2018 🚨	May 2018
Other Talks	
Introduction to Support Vector Machines 🖪	Apr 2017
Density Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise 🖟	Feb 2017
Introduction to Decision Trees 🖪	Nov 2016
A Friendly Introduction to Random Networks 🖟	Feb 2016

# Service

International Committee Leader. Postdoc Association Indiana University Bloomington

Jun 2022 -

## *Program Committee Member*

- PAKDD 2024 WSDM 2024 ISSI 2023
- The Web Conference 2024 ICWSM 2024,2023,2022,2020 BigData 2024,2019
- SDM 2024,2023,2022 CIKM 2024,2023,2022,2021 WISE 2019

#### Journal Reviewer

- Quantitave Science Studies
- Scientometrics
- EPJ Data Science
- IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)
- Journal of Combinatorial Optimization
- Physical Review E
- Physical Review Materials

- PLOS ONE
- ACM Transactions on Data Science (TDS)
- Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery (DMKD)
- International Journal Cooperative Information Systems (IJCIS)
- Journal of Logic & Computation

External Reviewer (multiple times). ICDM, CIKM, The Web Conference, WSDM, KDD, AAAI

Volunteer. The Scoop from Grad StudentsDec 2019Panelist. Preparing a Grad School ApplicationDec 2019Member. Notre Dame CSE Graduate Student Board2019 – 2020Volunteer Judge. Northern Indiana Regional Science & Engineering Fair2019, 2020Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary. Heritage Institute of Technology ACM Student Chapter2014 – 2017

Student Member. ACM 2013 –

# **Students Mentored**

(@ indicates co-authorship in papers)

Marie-Laure Charpignon <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, MIT	Aug 2022 –
Sagar Kumar <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, Northeastern	Aug 2022 –
Arsham Ghavasieh <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, University of Trento, Italy	Aug 2022 –
<i>Şirag Erkol</i> <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, IU	Feb – Aug 2022
Daniel Kaiser. Ph.D. student, IU	Feb – Aug 2022
Sara Venturini <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, University of Padova, Italy	Jan 2022 –
Manita Pote. Ph.D. student, IU	Jan – May 2022
Daniel Gonzalez Cedre <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, ND	Dec 2019 – Aug 2020
Catalina Vajiac <sup>®</sup> . B.S. student, ND (now a Ph.D. student at CMU)	Jan – Jul 2019
Justus Hibshman <sup>®</sup> . Ph.D. student, ND	Sep – Dec 2018

# **Computer Skills**

Advanced: Python, NetworkX, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Jupyter, ŁTŁX Intermediate: C++, Boost Graph Library, Pandas, SQL, shell scripting

# **Relevant Coursework**

Scalable Graph Algorithms  $\cdot$  Web Science & Information Retrieval  $\cdot$  Exotic Computing  $\cdot$  Social Networks Complexity & Algorithms  $\cdot$  Pedagogy and Practice in the College Classroom

# References

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