Sayak Chakrabarti

EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur

2017-2022 (expected)

Integrated B. Tech- M. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering

CPI: 8.8/10.0

South Point High School, Kolkata

2017

All India Senior School Certificate Examination, CBSE Board

Score: 93.2 %

PUBLICATIONS

- Aditya Gulati, **Sayak Chakrabarti**, Rajat Mittal, On algorithms to find p-ordering, to appear in 7th Annual International Conference on Algorithms and Discrete Applied Mathematics, 2021
- Soumendu Sundar Mukherjee, Sayak Chakrabarti, Graphon Estimation from Partially Observed Network data, arXiv preprint arXiv:1906.00494

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2020 **Research Fellowship** at Max Planck Institute of Software Systems
- 2017 Secured All India Rank of 181 in Joint Entrance Exam, Advanced among 200,000 candidates
- 2017 Secured All India Rank of 287 in Joint Entrance Exam, Main among 1.2 million candidates
- 2017 Secured Rank 10 in West Bengal Joint Entrance Examination among 150,000 candidates
- 2017 Qualified Indian National Physics Olympiad (INPhO), among 34 students to be selected from India, and attended Orientation cum Selection Camp (OCSC Physics)
- 2016 Qualified Indian National Mathematical Olympiad (INMO), among 30 students to be selected from India
- 2015 Secured All India Rank 115 in Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) among 100,000 candidates

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Root Finding of Polynomials

Aug 2020 – Present

Prof. Nitin Saxena, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur

 $Kanpur,\ India$

- Studied algebraic geometry and the complexity of Hilbert's Nullstellensatz
- Reviewed literature on algorithms to factorize polynomials in fields and upto modulo p^4 , and calculate basic irreducible factors modulo prime powers
- Currently working on finding a **root of a system of bivariate polynomials** modulo primes using algebraic and algebraic geometric techniques

Root Sets, p-ordering and Factorization

Aug 2019 – Present

Prof. Rajat Mittal, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur

Kanpur, India

- Learnt about Root sets of polynomials modulo prime powers, their behaviours and some properties
- Studied the work done on factorization modulo primes and lifting these to modulo prime powers
- Attempted to find a method of factorization of polynomials using **representative roots** such that the factorization gives maximum linear factors modulo a prime power
- Solved this problem upto degree 3 and attempted to lift to higher degree polynomials
- Discovered algorithms to find p-ordering of subsets of integers, also represented in succinct form

Continuous Skolem Problem for arbitrary dimensions

May 2020 - July 2020

Prof. Jöel Ouaknine, Max Planck Institute of Software Systems

Saarbrücken, Germany

- Remotely worked on the **continuous Skolem problem** for higher dimensions in Prof. Ouaknine's research group under the supervision of Dr. Eike Neumann and Dr. Engel Lefaucheux
- Learnt about Real Algebraic Geometry with an emphasis on Semi-algebraic sets and their decomposition
- Studied the work done upto dimension 8 and attempted to extend it to arbitrary dimensions using **Schanuel's** conjecture and **Leon Ehrenpreis'** conjecture
- Attempted to prove the decidability of zeroes of exponential polynomials for low codimension cases
- Devised a parameterization of a semi-algebraic set which contains the zeroes of the given function

• Extended a proposition from "Real Algebraic Geometry" by Bochnak, Coste and Roy to show that the parameterized semialgebraic set can be extended to $\bar{0}$

Graphon Estimation

Dec 2018 - Present

Prof. Soumendu Sundar Mukherjee, Interdisciplinary Statistical Research Unit, ISI Kolkata

Kolkata, India

- Learnt about Graphons that are symmetric measurable function $f:[0,1]^2 \to [0,1]$ used to denote network edge probability of a dense graph
- Learnt about **graphon estimation methods** including Universal Singular Value Thresholding, Stochastic Blockmodel Approximation, Matrix Completion, Neighbourhood Smoothing etc.
- Extended the **Neighbourhood Smoothing** technique for graphon estimation proposed in "Estimation of Network Edge Probabilities by Neighbourhood Smoothing" by Zhang et al.
- Used the **extended Neighbourhood Smoothing** algorithm on partially revealed graphs to estimate the underlying graphon with high accuracy, both on simulated networks from standard graphon functions and real networks
- Estimated graphons using various existing alternative methods and compared those against the proposed algorithm

Selected Projects

Linear Cryptanalysis on Logic Locking

May 2019 - Oct 2019

Prof. Pramod Subramanyan, Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur

- Learnt about various Logic Locking techniques
- Reviewed literature on SAT-attack on Logic Lockings
- Attempted to break logic locking encryption by using Linear Cryptanalysis
- Used Genetic algorithm and MaxSAT solvers to improve linear approximation of for encrypted circuits
- Tested proposed attack on various benchmark circuits

Breaking Cryptosystems | Course Project, Modern Cryptology

Jan 2019 – Apr 2019

Instructor: Prof. Manindra Agarwal, Dept of Computer Science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur

- Solved a Dungeon and Dragons based game where in each stage a cryptosystem was to be broken to advance to next stage
- Broke Substitute cipher, Block Substitution Cipher, Substitution Permutation Cipher, DES Cryptosystem (using Differential Cryptanalysis), SASAS Cipher (AES-like cryptosystem), RSA Cyptosystem (with low public exponent, using Coppersmith's attack)

Relevant Coursework

Algebraic Number Theory, Computational Number Theory and Algebra, Geometric Topology, Modern Cryptology, Discrete Mathematics, Data Structures & Algorithms, Algorithms II, Theory of Computation, Randomized Methods in Computational Complexity*, Arithmetic Geometry*

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, C/C++, R, Haskell, Verilog, PHP

Libraries: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, OpenCV

Tools: LATEX, Bash, Git, MySQL

Extra-Curricular Activities

Volunteer | Shiksha Sopan

Aug 2019 - Mar 2020

• Volunteered to teach English at a school under Shiksha Sopan, an NGO providing education to underprivileged children

Project Mentor | Association for Computing Activities

Jan 2019 – Apr 2019

• Guided a group of first year students in topics of Theoretical Computer Science

Academic Mentor | Counselling Services

Aug 2018 – Apr 2019

• Helped students facing academic problems by conducting doubt clearing sessions and one-to-one mentorship regarding courses on Mathematics

Stuident Guide | Counselling Services

Jul 2018 - Apr 2019

• Helped 4 freshmen students get used to campus life and quickly adjust to college environment