

# Subhobrata Chatterjee

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## Research interests

Quantization of manifolds/supermanifolds, geometric quantization, deformation quantization, quantum Darboux theorems

## Education

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| 2019 – Present | <b>University of California</b> – Davis, United States<br>PhD in Physics<br>Advisor: Andrew Waldron.   |
| 2014 – 2019    | <b>National Institute of Science Education and Research</b> – Jatni, India<br>Integrated Masters (BSc+MSc) in Physics<br>Advisor: Loganayagam R. |

## Honors and scholarships

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| 2022 | UC Davis Departmental summer fellowship  |
| 2019 | Best master's thesis award (NISER, India)<br><i>Computed and characterized novel non-local divergences arising in renormalization of non-unitary open quantum field theories.</i>      |
| 2018 | S N Bhatt Fellow (International Center for Theoretical Sciences, Bengaluru)<br><i>Worked on triangle loops in open quantum field theory under the guidance of Dr. Loganayagam R.</i>   |
| 2017 | Indian Academy of Sciences Summer Student Research Fellow (Delhi University, India)<br><i>Worked on supersymmetric quantum mechanics under the guidance of Dr. Debajyoti Choudhury</i> |
| 2017 | Finished in top 1% at the national level of National Graduate Physics Examination, India   |
| 2015 | Represented India in the 9th Asian Science Camp, Thailand  |

- 2015      Awarded Certificate of Merit for outstanding academic performance in the first semester of undergrad at NISER
- 2014-2019      INSPIRE fellow throughout undergrad (NISER, India)
- 2014      Awarded gold medal for outstanding academic performance in grade 12

## Current Research

### Feb 2022 – **Classical measurement theory and discrete systems**

Present      Mentor: Andrew Waldron (UC Davis).

The goal is to develop a geometric description of classical measurements for discrete state systems like bits on a computer or faces of a coin. While supermanifolds encode discrete degrees of freedom, superfunctions that correspond to states of such systems do not have a natural probabilistic interpretation. We therefore equip our system with geometric data sufficient to construct a positive definite inner product on the space of superfunctions whose positivity is preserved by evolution.

### June 2021 – **Quantization beyond formality**

Present      Mentor: Andrew Waldron (UC Davis).

We want to characterize sufficient conditions for exact solvability of an abelian (Fedosov) connection on the Hilbert bundle/Weyl algebra bundle. Fedosov's deformation quantization procedure only guarantees a formal solution to the quantization problem. There are examples where we can go beyond formality. Lie groups admit Maurer-Cartan frames with Lie algebra structure constants and more generally parallelizable manifolds admit global frames with structure functions. Thus such manifolds more readily admit Maurer-Cartan forms, and in turn, bonafide connections. We want to investigate this phenomenon for more general class of manifolds.

## Undergraduate Research

### June 2018 – **Renormalization of open quantum field theories**

Aug 2019      Mentor: Loganayagam R (ICTS)

Non-unitary open quantum field theories seem to be plagued with novel non-local divergences that do not allow usual Wilsonian renormalization. The goal of this project was to compute and characterize all non-local divergences arising in open scalar field theories. We found interesting geometric interpretations of these divergences reminiscent of the amplitudehedron program.

## Teaching experience

Summer 2022, Winter 2023	<b>Instructor, PHY 7A: Introduction to Physics for bio majors</b>
Spring 2022	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 110B: Electricity and Magnetism</b>
Winter 2022	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 104B: Computational Methods in Physics</b>
Winter 2022	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 155: General Relativity (undergrad)</b>
Fall 2021	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 260: Introduction to General Relativity (grad)</b>
Spring 2021	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 115A: Foundations of Quantum Mechanics</b>
Winter 2020, Spring 2020, Summer 2020, Fall 2020, 2022	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 7A: Introduction to Physics for bio majors</b>
Fall 2019, Winter 2021, Summer 2021	<b>Teaching assistant, PHY 7B: Introduction to Physics for bio majors</b>

## Talks and Seminars

Dec 4, 2023	<b>Supergeometry and Discrete-state dynamics</b> graduate student colloquium in the physics department, UC Davis
May 22, 2023	<b>Supergeometry and Measurement theory of Discrete Dynamics</b> poster presentation at Geometry & Physics (GAP) 2023 on “Homotopy Algebras and Higher Structures” at IHP, Paris
Jan 11, 2023	<b>Quantization and Geometry</b> at the Student-Run Research Seminar at the math department, UC Davis
2021-2022	Internal research group seminars on Fedosov quantization, classical BRST, Sasakian geometry, Batchelor’s theorem

## Mentorship

Oct 2021 – Feb 2022	<b>Directed Reading Program (DRP) Mentor</b> Guided an undergraduate student in a reading project on differential geometry
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## References

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