# Mudit Aggarwal

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## **FDUCATION**

## INDRAPRASTHA INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

**NEW DELHI, INDIA** 

BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY | COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

• Cummulative GPA: 9.18/10

**EXPECTED MAY 2023** 

## PUBLICATIONS AND PREPRINTS

- [1] Mudit Aggarwal and T Aaron Gulliver. A New Self-Shrinking Generator (submitted). 2022. URL: https://www.researchsquare.com/article/rs-2348688/v1,doi:10.21203/rs.3.rs-2348688/v1.
- [2] Mudit Aggarwal and Samrith Ram. Generating Functions for Straight Polyomino Tilings of Narrow Rectangles. J. Integer Seq., 26(1):Art. 23.1.4, 12, 2023. URL: https://cs.uwaterloo.ca/journals/JIS/VOL26/Ram/ram3.pdf.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## **REED SOLOMON CODES AND THEIR VARIANTS** | Undergraduate Thesis

ADVISOR: DR. ANURADHA SHARMA

IIIT DELHI. INDIA

August 2022 - Present

- Working on generalising and finding variants to Reed-Solomon Codes, particularly Twisted RS Codes, that can be used to detect and correct Insertion-Deletion errors during transmission.
- Aiming to use the variants being developed to give error correcting codes for **DNA Sequences**.
- Using techniques from Algebraic Coding Theory, as well as Combinatorics, Finite Fields, Number Theory, Modern Algebra, and Linear Algebra.

#### GENERATING FUNCTIONS FOR TILING RECTANGLES

ADVISOR: DR. SAMRITH RAM

IIIT DELHI, INDIA

May 2021 - November 2022

- Worked on finding multivariate generating functions for the number of ways to tile an  $m \times n$  rectangle with an unlimited number of  $k \times 1$  and  $k \times k$  tiles, allowing for free rotations.
- Also worked on finding the generating functions for the number of tilings with constraints on the number of tiles.
- Using topics and techniques from Combinatorics, Generating Functions, Recurrences, and Number Theory.
- A paper [2] has been published in the Journal of Integer Sequences.

#### SHRINKING GENERATORS FOR CRYPTOGRAPHY | Mitacs Globalink Research Internship University of Victoria, Canada ADVISOR: DR. AARON GULLIVER

May 2022 - November 2022

- Worked on finding new Self-Shrinking Generators for cryptography, while also generalising the notion of LFSRs by introducing non-linearities in them. This ensures better security guarantees in both theory and practice.
- Compared multiple types of such generators like LFSRs, Cellular Automata, Shrinking Generators, Modified Generators, etc. Additionally, analysing the security of these both theoretically as well as practically.
- A paper [1] has been submitted and is currently under review.

## **BOUNDED ARBORICITY GRAPH STREAMING**

ADVISORS: DR. SAKET SAURABH & DR. AKANKSHA AGRAWAL Jan 2021 - May 2021

IMSc Chennai & IIT Madras, India (Remote)

- Worked with Sameep Dahal, Savit Gupta, and Agastya Vibhuti Jha on finding small-space approximation algorithms for graphs with a given bounded arboricity, in the streaming model.
- Proved results and small-space algorithms for Vertex Cover, b-Matching, and Capacitative Matching for weighted graphs under the streaming model, and unweighted graphs under the dynamic model.

#### SUNFLOWER LEMMA AND LIFTING THEOREMS

ADVISOR: DR. SAJIN KOROTH May 2022 - September 2022

University of Victoria, Canada

• Worked on improving the gadget-size guarantees of lifting theorems in communication complexity using the recent improvements in the Erdos-Rado Sunflower Lemma.

• Conversely, also used **randomised lifting theorems** and **decision tree complexity** to further the lower bounds on the size in the sunflower lemma.

## WORKSHOPS

## ALGORITHMS FOR BIG DATA AND ML | ACM WINTER SCHOOL 2020-21

Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai

- The workshop was organised by Dr. Saket Saurabh and Dr. Venkatesh Raman on Streaming Algorithms.
- The main topics covered were: Chernoff bounds, Morris counter, Lower Bounds, AMS estimator, Sparse recovery, Johnson–Lindenstrauss lemma, Graph streaming and PAC learning.

## ALGORITHMS AND LOWER BOUNDS | ACM WINTER SCHOOL 2021-22

IIT Madras and CMI. Chennai

- The workshop was organised by Dr. Akanksha Agrawal and Dr. G. Philip on Algorithmic Lower Bounds.
- The main topics covered were: Fast Fourier Transform, Linear Decision Trees, Polynomial Methods, Complexity Conjectures, and Reductions.

## AWARDS

 Dean's Award for Academic Excellence Awarded for excellent academic performance. IIIT Delhi

OnlyMyHealth HealthCare Heroes Award 2022
 Dainik Jagran
 Awarded by Dainik Jagran to Volunteers.Covihelp, for exemplary social work during the Covid-19 Pandemic, using digital resources to help people.

• SchoolTime Achievement Award

Awarded for exemplary and lasting contribution to The Global Times, a student-run newspaper in the Amity Group of Schools and Universities.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## **TEACHING ASSISTANT | DISCRETE MATHEMATICS**

INSTRUCTOR: DR. SAMRITH RAM September 2021 - December 2021

Monsoon Semester, 2021

- Responsible for a group of ~90 students; my duties included taking weekly recitation/tutorial sessions, clearing doubts, and grading papers (assignments, quizzes, and exams).
- Took recitations, where I taught the students, clarified their doubts regarding course content, and did live problem-solving related to the course.
- Graded papers for all the 90 students, as well as made rubrics for the same.

## TEACHING ASSISTANT | ABSTRACT ALGEBRA I

Instructor: Dr. Anuradha Sharma

January 2022 - May 2022

Winter Semester, 2022

- Responsible for a group of ~20 students; my duties included taking weekly recitation/tutorial sessions, clearing doubts, and grading papers (assignments, quizzes, and exams).
- Took recitations, where I taught the students, clarified their doubts regarding course content, and did live problem-solving related to the course.
- Graded papers for all 80+ students in the course, as well as made rubrics for the same.

## TEACHING ASSISTANT | MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS

INSTRUCTOR: DR. SATISH KUMAR PANDEY

August 2022 - December 2022

Monsoon Semester, 2022

- Responsible for a group of **30** students; my duties included taking weekly recitation/tutorial sessions, clearing doubts, and grading papers (assignments, quizzes, and exams).
- Took recitations, where I taught the students, clarified their doubts regarding course content, and did live problem-solving related to the course.
- Graded papers for all 30 students, as well as made rubrics for the same.

## TEACHING ASSISTANT | COMBINATORICS AND APPLICATIONS

INSTRUCTOR: DR. SAMRITH RAM

January 2022 - May 2022

Winter Semester, 2022

- My duties included clearing doubts and grading papers (assignments, quizzes, and exams).
- Took sessions where I clarified doubts regarding course content, grading, and exams.
- Graded the exams for the course.

#### S-CUBE WORLD | STUDENT MENTOR AND CONTENT CREATOR

July 2020 - August 2020 | IIITD Incubation Center

- Designed quality study material and modules for school students, for a community of the students by the students.
- Created presentations for relevant paths and exams as a student mentor.

## VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

## **VOLUNTEERS.COVIHELP** | Co-Founder

https://www.volunteerscovihelp.org/

- Co-Founded and actively worked for the Volunteers. Covihelp organisation during the second wave of the deadly covid-19 pandemic in India.
- The organisation had **24x7 manned helplines** on Facebook, Instagram, Whatsapp, and Twitter. The helplines provided seekers with self-verified information on leads for oxygen cylinders, blood and plasma donors, RT-PCR tests, hospital beds, medicines, etc.
- The organisation had 300+ volunteers, and successfully resolved 1700+ cases.
- Also raised Rs. 25000+ through multiple fundraiser events to donate to patients and for setting up of OPDs.
- Personally worked on **100+ cases**, trained the volunteers, and helped set up the organisation systems on Discord, Google Forms, Airtable, etc.
- Awarded the HealthCare Heroes Award 2022 in the Digital Healthcare category (Details for the same can be found here)

#### STUDENT MENTOR

#### STUDENT MENTORSHIP PROGRAM, IIIT DELHI

September 2022 - Present

- Selected as a student mentor for the Student Mentorship Program at IIIT Delhi.
- Acting as a mentor for 4 mentees, helping them adjust to college life, and tacking the paradigm shift it accompanies.
- Serving as their first point of contact for any scenario.
- Holding weekly to biweekly meetings discussing their mental health, how they cope with the changes, etc.

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#### PROJECT ROSHNI: BOOK DONATION

IIIT Delhi | Member

- Collected, organised, curated, and purchased books for donation to underprivileged kids in government schools during Diwali 2019.
- Donated and distributed over 500 books in government schools across New Delhi.

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

## **READING COURSES**

COMBINATORICS AND REPRESENTATION THEORY

Monsoon Semester, 2022

Advisor: Dr. Samrith Ram

- Studied an assortment of topics from **Combinatorics** and **Representation Theory**, using multiple texts.
- Main topics covered were Snake Oil, WZ Pairs, Gosper's Algorithm, Pólya-Redfield Theorem, Cycle Index, Symmetric Functions, Partitions, Weighted Objects, and Tableaux.
- Some texts used were *Generatingfunctionology* by Wilf, A = B by Zeilberger, Wilf, Petkovšek, A Course in Enumeration by Aigner, and Bijective Combinatorics by Loehr.

#### • DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY WITH TOPOLOGY

A Summer Semester, 2021

- Studied **Point-Set Topology** from *Topology* by Munkres.

- Covered sections on **Differential Geometry** from Elementary Differential Geometry by Pressley.
- Also covered the required multivariable calculus and multivariable analysis prerequisites.
- Main topics included: Topology, Basis for topology, Metric Spaces, Connectedness, Compactness, Homeomorphisms, Curves and Surfaces, Manifolds, Orientability of Surfaces, Isometries.
- ADVANCED LINEAR ALGEBRA 

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Advisor: Dr. Shilpak Baneriee

- Studied **Linear Algebra** from *Linear Algebra* by Hoffman & Kunze, and *Linear Algebra Done Right* by Axler.
- Main topics included: Vector Spaces, Basis, Fields, Maxtrix Systems, Dual Spaces, Functionals, Cyclic Decompositions, Jordan Form, Canonical Forms, Inner Product Spaces.

## **GRADUATE COURSES**

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<ul> <li>Introduction to Functional Analysis</li> </ul>	A [CLASS RANK 1]
Instructor: Dr. Satish Kumar Pandey	Winter Semester, 2022
ABSTRACT ALGEBRA II	A
Instructor: Dr. Sneha Chaubey	Winter Semester, 2022
• Calculus on $\mathbb{R}^n$	Α
Instructor: Dr. Kaushik Kalyanaraman	Winter Semester, 2022
<ul> <li>APPROXIMATION ALGORITHMS</li> </ul>	Α
Instructor: Dr. Syamantak Das	Monsoon Semester, 2022
<ul> <li>Theory of Modern Cryptography</li> </ul>	Α
Instructor: Dr. Donghoon Chang	Winter Semester, 2022
Topics in Number Theory	В
Instructor: Dr. Anuradha Sharma	Monsoon Semester, 2022
APPLIED CRYPTOGRAPHY	B-
Instructor: Dr. Subhabrata Samajder	Monsoon Semester, 2021
<ul> <li>Measure and Probability Theory <sup>2</sup></li> </ul>	
Instructor: Dr. Subhajit Ghosechowdhury	Winter Semester, 2023
• Information Theory <sup>2</sup>	
Instructor: Dr. Manuj Mukherjee	Winter Semester, 2023
• LATTICES IN COMPUTER SCIENCE <sup>2</sup>	
Instructor: Dr. Subhabrata Samajder	Winter Semester, 2023
• Introduction to Quantum Computing $^2$	
Instructor: Dr. Debajyoti Bera	Winter Semester, 2023
• Communication Complexity <sup>1</sup>	
Instructor: Dr. Sajin Koroth	Summer Semester, 2022
UNDERGRADUATE COURSES	
DISCRETE MATHEMATICS	A+ [CLASS RANK 1]
Instructor: Dr. Samrith Ram	Monsoon Semester, 2020
REAL ANALYSIS II	A ICLASS RANK 1
Instructor: Dr. Satish Kumar Pandey	Monsoon Semester, 2021
ABSTRACT ALGEBRA I	A
Instructor: Dr. Sneha Chaubey	Winter Semester, 2021
PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS	A
Instructor: Dr. Sanjit K. Kaul	Winter Semester, 2020
DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS	Viliter Semester, 2020 Δ
Instructor: Dr. Ashish Kumar Pandey	Winter Semester, 2021
Theory of Computation	A
Instructor: Dr. Debajyoti Bera	Winter Semester, 2021
Data Structures and Algorithms	A
Instructor: Dr. Subhabrata Samajder	Winter Semester, 2020
DIGITAL CIRCUITS	A
Instructor: Dr. Sneh Saurabh	Monsoon Semester, 2019
LINEAR ALGEBRA	A-
Instructor: Dr. Acushla Saraswat	Monsoon Semester, 2019
REAL ANALYSIS I	A-
Instructor: Dr. Debika Banerjee	Monsoon Semester, 2020
Analysis and Design of Algorithms	A-
Instructor: Dr. Syamantak Das	Winter Semester, 2021
BASIC ELECTRONICS	A-
Instructor: Dr. Vivek Bohara	Winter Semester, 2020
Modern Algorithm Design	Willief Semester, 2020
Instructor: Dr. Syamantak Das	Monsoon Semester, 2021
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• SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS

Instructor: Dr. Pravesh Biyani Monsoon Semester, 2020

• COMBINATORICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS <sup>1</sup>

Instructor: Dr. Samrith Ram Winter Semester, 2021

MULTIVARIATE CALCULUS <sup>1</sup>

Instructor: Dr. Shilpak Banerjee Monsoon Semester, 2021

• Number Theory <sup>1</sup>

Instructor: Dr. Sneha Chaubey Monsoon Semester, 2020

Footnotes: <sup>1</sup> Course audited with instructor's permission <sup>2</sup> Course ongoing as of writing

## PROGRAMMING PROJECTS

## QUADROTOR DRONE SIMULATOR

CYBORG: ROBOTICS CLUB AT IIITD

April 2020 - June 2020

- Worked with Devansh Gupta to create a quadrotor simulator using **Numpy** and **Matplotlib** in Python.
- It takes quadrotor parameters (size and dynamics) and the way-points for its path from editable text files.
- Uses **Euler-Newtonian** rigid body dynamics, and a multi-loop **PID** controller to simulate the motion of the given quadrotor and give plots for the motion of the same along with the errors.

#### **LINE FOLLOWER**

## **ELECTROHOLICS: ELECTRONICS CLUB AT IIITD**

January 2020 - February 2020

- Worked with Madhur Kumar to create a PID-based Line Following Robot.
- The Robot is built using an Arduino, takes values of the PID constants as inputs, and follows a black line.
- The robot was featured as an entry in the Robotics Competition at Breeze 2020 (at Shiv Nadar University).

#### **COLOUR SWITCH**

ADVANCED PROGRAMMING: COURSE PROJECT

November 2020 - December 2020

Monsoon Semester, 2020

- Worked with Agamdeep Bains to create a **JavaFX** based PC rendition of the popular mobile game **Colour Switch** completely from scratch. Instructor: **Dr. Vivek Kumar**.
- Created the infinite version of the game, with additional functionalities including multiple saves and in-game boosts.

#### **CACHE SIMULATOR**

#### COMPUTER ORGANISATION: COURSE PROJECT

April 2020 - May 2020

Winter Semester, 2020

- Simulated L1 and L2 caches in python, with options for Direct as well as n-Associative mappings, implemented using bit-string operations. Instructor: **Dr. Prabhaker Mateti**.
- The simulator allows for reading and writing to the cache, with hits and misses also reported to the user.

#### **SMART ROOM PROTOTYPE**

PROTOTYPING INTERACTIVE SYSTEMS: COURSE PROJECT

October 2019 - December 2019

Monsoon Semester, 2019

- Worked with Agamdeep Bains and Aryan Behal to create a prototype of a low cost smart room, as an alternative to the current expensive solutions available in the market. Instructor: **Dr. Aman Parnami**.
- Created a **gesture controlled** scaleable prototype, using **Computer Vision** based devices that could be kept in the room. The Computer Vision processes ran on **Raspberry Pi** modules embedded in the devices themselves.

## **PROFICIENT IN:** SageMath ● Julia ● LaTex ● Beamer ● Python ● C++ ● C ● Java

## CO-CURRICULARS

#### **CLUB INVOLVEMENT**

#### As President

- Évariste:
  - Mathematics and Theoretical CS Club of IIIT Delhi.
- · Electroholics:
  - Electronics Club of IIIT Delhi.
- The 65th Square: Chess Club of IIIT Delhi.

#### **SPORTS**

Lawn Tennis

## As Core Member

- Cyborg:
  - Robotics Club of IIIT Delhi.
- LitSoc:
  - Literary/Debating/Pop-Culture Society of IIIT Delhi.
- PhiloSoc:

Philosophy Society of IIIT Delhi.

Played **nationals** in 2016, and also represented the institute in multiple tournaments.

Chess

Played **zonals** multiple times, and also represented the institute in multiple tournaments.

## **WRITING**

• The Global Times

Wrote for The Global Times, a student-run newspaper, for over 8 years in school. Won multiple awards for contribution including awards like **SchoolTime Achievement**, Best Article, etc.

• IIIT Delhi

Contributed articles to **Kaleidoscope**, IIIT Delhi's college magazine. Also organised **Haiku** and **Content Writing** events at Odyssey 2020.