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## Education

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Ph.D. Economics, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore	2021-26
Selected Coursework: Microeconomic Theory, Macroeconomic Theory, Econometrics, Applied Econometrics, International Trade, Monetary Economics, Game Theory, Probability & Statistics, Stochastic Models	3.55/4
Committee: Kunal Dasgupta (Chair), Srinivasan Murali, Akhil Ilango	
M.Sc. Management, Nyenrode Business University, Netherlands	2019-20 3.75/4
B.Tech. Mechanical Engg, Indian Institute of Technology (ISM) Dhanbad	2014-18 7.23/10

## Other Coursework

Micromasters - Data, Economics & Development Policy, MITx  
Global Management Program, SP Jain Institute of Management & Research, Mumbai

## Research Interests

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International Trade, Spatial Economics & Macro Development.

## Works in Progress

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### 1. *Trade Costs and Input Usage* (with Kunal Dasgupta)

Abstract: Research has shown that imported intermediate inputs raise firm productivity. Using data from the organized manufacturing sector in India, we document that the usage of such inputs varies widely across space. Compared to firms located close to major international cargo ports, firms that are far away (a) use fewer imported inputs, and (b) spend relatively less on imports. To rationalize these findings, we develop an economic geography model where the cost of imported inputs has both an internal and an external component. Preliminary simulations from the uncalibrated model show that reducing trade costs positively affects the usage of imported inputs, output, and welfare.

### 2. *Trade, Contract labor and Firm Monopsony Power* (with Arpita Chatterjee)

### 3. *Industrial Policies in Production Networks: The Role of Geography*

## Conference, Workshop & Presentation

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IIM Bangalore	Dec 2023
Summer School in International Economics, Oxford University	Jul 2024

## Scholarships & Awards

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Financial Aid, Oxford Economics & Journal of International Economics  
 PhD Fellowship, IIM Bangalore  
 Nyenrode MSc Scholarship (50% Tuition Waiver)  
 Merit Scholarship, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad (50% Tuition Waiver)

## Teaching

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Course	Duties	Level	Year
Applied Econometrics	G	PhD	2023
Math for Managerial Economics	I	MBA <sup>†</sup>	2024
Managerial Economics	GT	MBA	2024
Managerial Economics	GT	Executive MBA	2024
Math Clinic - Calculus	I	Pre-Doc	2024

G - Grading & Assignments, I - Primary Instructor, T - Tutorial  
<sup>†</sup> Prep Course for MBA

## Languages & Skills

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Programming: R, Matlab, Stata, Python  
 Other:  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , QGIS  
 Human: English (fluent), Telugu (native), Hindi (conversational)

## Other Activities

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PhD Student Representative	2021-22
Capital Market Analyst, De Zilveren Rijder (Nyenrode Student Investment Fund)	2019-20