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The mathematics department of IISER Pune brings all areas of pure and applied mathematics, statistics and also theoretical computer science under one umbrella.

The new BS-MS curriculum pattern in which students can start opting for electives starting from the second year (instead of the third) will be implemented starting this year. This will allow the math department to offer more courses and an opportunity to the students to go deeper into a subject of their choice. A lot of work has gone into finalising the course work for this new pattern. Faculty members from the mathematics department, notably Anindya Goswami, are also playing important role in devising of curriculum for the upcoming data science department at IISER Pune.

This year we have hosted several workshops and conferences. This includes training programs for PhD students all over the country through the NCM funded AIS/ATM programs, several pedagogical workshops organised in Baskara Lab and last but not the least advanced workshops and conferences in specialised areas : Topology, Bloch Kato Conjecture, Pune Mumbai Number Theory Seminar, Group Theory, Parametrised Algorithms, ACM school on geometric algorithms, etc.

Following are some recent achievements : Two of our PhD students, Pranjal Vishwakarma and Darshan Nashit, have received the prestigious Prime Minister's research fellowship. One of our PhD students, Suraj Yadav has been selected for Fullbright-Nehru research fellowship and will be spending a year in the University of Southern California, USA. Two faculty members, Soumen Maity and Manish Mishra have received the Fullbright-Nehru academic and professional excellence award.

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NUMBER THEORY, REPRESENTATION THEORY AND AUTOMORPHIC FORMS

My group is currently studying the arithmetic properties of special values of automorphic L-functions.

The earliest prototype of a special value of an L-function is the classical formula by Euler which says that the sum $\sum 1/n^2$ of reciprocals of squares of all positive integers is $\pi^2/6$. Generally, if M = {a_n} is a sequence of numbers coming from some interesting data, for example, a_p can be the number of solutions of an equation modulo a prime p, then a guiding principle in modern number theory says that to study the sequence M one should study the L-function L(s, M) = $\sum a_n/n^s$. One can glean much information about M by studying first the analytic properties, and second the arithmetic properties of L(s,M).

The Langlands program bridges different areas of mathematics, like geometry, number theory and representation theory. The central theme making these bridges possible is the notion of an L-function.

Our work uses the results and techniques of the Langlands program to prove theorems about special values of various L-functions. These values encode within them a lot of arithmetic and geometric information of the objects to which the L-functions are attached. In earlier work stemming from my thesis, we have also studied the representation theory and harmonic analysis of *p*-adic groups.

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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

One can describe algebraic geometry as the study of varieties, which are spaces defined by vanishing of polynomial equations. I have been interested in moduli spaces which are special types of varieties which parametrize geometric objects.

In the last couple of decades, people have succeeded in applying ideas from topology, especially homotopy theory, to the study of algebraic varieties. This interplay between homotopy theory and algebraic geometry has been one of my latest fascinations.

Currently, I am working on problems which are sometimes clubbed under the title homotopical algebraic geometry and have applications to K-theory, motivic cohomology and also classical topics like Brauer groups.

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STOCHASTIC CONTROL – GAME THEORY, MATH FINANCE, QUEUING NETWORKS, RENEWAL

I am exploring various topics in Applied Probability. Those include generalization of Black-Sholes-Merton PDE for options in semi-Markov modulated market, Föllmer Schweizer decomposition of an unattainable contingent claim, equilibrium of non-cooperative semi-Markov game under ergodic cost, optimal control under risk sensitive cost, portfolio optimization, large deviation limit, fluid limit in queuing network, PDE techniques in stochastic control and differential games etc.

I use Markov models, filtering techniques, stochastic calculus, infinitesimal generator for semigroup of operators, mild solution technique for parabolic equations, viscosity solution method for HJB/HJI equations, stability analysis of numerical schemes for solving PDE or IE, convergence of value iteration schemes, marginalization technique in rare event simulation for hybrid processes, martingale formulation for Markov processes etc.

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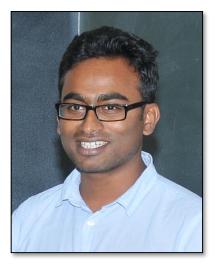
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SHAPE OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS

My research work falls mainly in the following two branches of Mathematics: Partial Differential Equations and Riemannian Geometry. There is a research area involving these two branches of Mathematics called Geometric Analysis. I work on Shape Optimization Problems. A typical shape optimization problem is to find a shape which is optimal in the sense that it minimizes a certain cost functional while satisfying given constraints. In many cases, the functional being minimized depends on the solution of a given partial differential equation defined on a variable domain.

We have solved some shape optimization problems for different classes of doubly connected domains over some Riemannian manifolds. We have considered both the energy minimization and the eigenvalue optimization problems for Dirichlet Boundary Value Problems involving the Laplace Beltrami Operator and also for a nonlinear operator, namely the p-Laplacian for the Euclidean case.

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STOCHASTIC CONTROLS AND QUEUEING THEORY

My broad research area falls under Applied Probability. I am mainly interested in stochastic controls, small noise diffusion, asymptotics of queueing networks and many other related models.

In the last couple of years, I have worked on problems from queueing theory that involves measure-valued process. Such processes have proven powerful in modeling queueing networks with general service and reneging distributions. Another important area of queueing theory is scheduling control where one looks for a policy that optimizes certain cost associated to the model. I also work on such control problems.

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CONJUGACY QUESTIONS AND REPRESENTATION THEORY OF GROUPS

Conjugacy questions in group theory have been of interest for its connection with the representation theory and they have not been understood very well for Algebraic Groups over arbitrary field. Usually groups are difficult objects and one studies them via their representations to get a better understanding.

Let G (e.g. GL_n) be an algebraic group defined over a field k. We denote the k points of G by G(k) (e.g. $GL_n(k)$, $SL_n(k)$ etc.). An element t of G (k) is said to be real if it is conjugate to its own inverse in G(k). I have been concerned with finding real elements in algebraic groups. Very interestingly often it relates to finding strongly real elements (the elements which are product of two involutions in G(k)).

Apart from studying structure of real elements in Algebraic Groups over k, I also looked at many examples such as linear groups, orthogonal groups, symplectic groups and the groups of type G_2 to get better understanding of the problem. Finding real elements helps in the understanding of real characters of the group which in turn give information about those complex representations of the group which are either orthogonal or symplectic.

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PUBLIC KEY CRYPTOGRAPHY

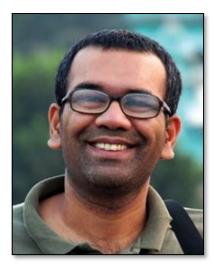
I work at the intersection of pure mathematics (group theory) and public key cryptography. Cryptography, especially public key cryptography, is the backbone of a modern society. It serves us with the required tools for online transactions and trading, *i.e.*, online commerce.

My research aims to find new cryptograhic primitives and to build secure protocols from that. We look for groups in which the discrete logarithm problem is secure. My recent work has shown that the group of non-singular circulant matrices over a finite field has some properties that make them attractive over the discrete logarithm problem on a finite field. This new finding has opened a new avenue in research of public key cryptography.

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MODULAR FORMS AND GALOIS REPRESENTATIONS

My research interests are in Number Theory. A modular form is essentially a function defined on the complex upper half-plane (everything above the real axis) that behaves in a good way under transformations of certain $2x^2$ matrices with integer entries. The expansion at infinity of such a function gives us a power series whose coefficients have interesting arithmetic properties. An important example of numbers that arise in such a way is the Ramanujan Tau function $\tau(n)$. In order to understand these coefficients, it is useful to consider an object attached to it called the *L*-function (these are generalizations of the Riemann zeta function).

A Galois group is a set of permutations of roots of an irreducible polynomial. For example, complex conjugation permutes the roots of x^2+1 . It is possible to represent such permutations by matrices. One of the problems in Number Theory is to try and understand the Galois group by studying its representations. One can also attach *L*-functions to Galois representations and in some cases modular forms and Galois representations are related through their *L*-functions.

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REPRESENTATION THEORY, ANALYSIS & GEOMETRY OF LOCALLY SYMMETRIC SPACES, NUMBER THEORY

Broadly speaking, my recent work is in the following areas in mathematics: (a) Automorphic forms and arithmetic of L-functions and (b) Harmonic Analysis on symmetric spaces and Graphs.

In a recent joint work with Prof. Raghuram, we have proved a theorem on special values for degree 2nautomorphic L-function for Orthogonal group O(2n+2) using techniques like Eisenstein Cohomology and Langlands' theorem on constant term. Our result that the ratios successive critical values of the L-function are 'rational' and Galois equivariant in a suitable sense. My current graduate student Sudipa is working on problems on estimation of cuspidal cohomology on Symmetric power transfer for GL_2.

In another recent work with my graduate student Dr. Ayesha Fatima, we established analogues of Multiplicity one Theorems for periodic graphs. I have also worked on some problems in Spectral Graph Theory with Prof. G. Ambika, Dr. Snehal Shekatkar and Amol Hinge.

Previously, I have proved theorems about L^2-spectrum for discrete subgroups of Lie groups (jointly with Prof. C. S. Rajan, Dr. Supriya Pisolkar). My present fifth year MS thesis student Nazia V. and me are currently working on some other problems related to harmonic analysis on p-adic symmetric spaces.

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TOPOLOGY AND GEOMETRY OF MODULI OF CURVES

The Moduli of Curves parametrizes algebraic curves or Riemann surfaces up to isomorphism. It has been a central topic in mathematical research for several decades and brings various fields of mathematics together, for example Algebraic Geometry, Geometric Group theory and Enumerative geometry. It has important connections with physics as well.

Recently in collaboration with Debargha Banerjee and Diganta Borah we studied aspects of Arakelov geometry of certain moduli spaces of elliptic curves. This work has applications in Number theory, specifically the theory of Modular forms.

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AUTOMORPHIC FORMS AND ARITHMETIC

In arithmetic geometry, we study the integral solutions of polynomial equations. We usually work over nonalgebraically closed fields, and often in fields of non-zero characteristic (like finite fields), and we may even restrict ourselves even to rings that are not a field (like integers). We use the rich theory of modular forms (more generally, automorphic representations) to find these solutions.

Modular/Automorphic forms are generalizations of the periodic functions. The theory of modular forms made major contributions in several important discoveries in modern mathematics, including the uniform boundedness of torsion point of elliptic curves.

I am interested in understanding objects in geometry called "motives" and objects in analysis called automorphic representations. The overarching bridge/conjecture of Langlands connects these two fairly faraway worlds. I am interested in understanding the integral and *p*-adic bridges that connect these two beautiful universes.

In the automorphic universe, I wish to focus on modular symbols and special values of *L*-functions (one of the main objects of study in the Langlands' program). Motives can be described by different cohomology theories. I wish to understand and use different cohomology theories using modular symbols, which in turn give insights into special values of *L*-functions.

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Self intersection numbers of minimal regular models of modular curves $X_0(p^2)$ over rational numbers, joint with Diganta Borah and Chitrabhanu Chaudhuri, to appear in the journal Mathematische Zeitschrift



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SEVERAL COMPLEX VARIABLES

My research interests are in complex analysis, more specifically in several complex variables. Several complex variables is the study of holomorphic functions defined on domains in \mathbb{C}^n , or more generally on complex manifolds. The subject established itself as a new independent area of research in the early twentieth century when F. Hartogs discovered a surprising extension phenomenon in the theory of functions of several complex variables which is absent in the theory in one variable. In the complex plane, every domain is a domain of holomorphy, i.e., there exists a holomorphic function on the domain which has no holomorphic extension to a strictly larger domain. Hartogs showed that this is no longer true in higher dimension. Another astonishing feature of several complex variables is the absence of the Riemann mapping theorem which was discovered by Poincare around the same time by showing that the unit ball and the unit polydisc in \mathbb{C}^n , $n \geq 2$, are not biholomorphic though both of them are simply connected.

In the past, I investigated several questions related to the Robin metric on bounded pseudoconvex domains in \mathbb{C}^n , capacity metric on planar domains, and the multidimensional Suita conjecture. Some of my current projects are to understand a class of weighted Bergman metrics, the volume elements of Carathéodory and Kobayashi-Eisenman, and various aspects of the squeezing function and its dual Fridman invariant.

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ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY, HARMONIC ANALYSIS AND ARITHMETIC GEOMETRY

My primary research interests are number theory and arithmetic geometry. One of my primary goals is to investigate statistical phenomena in the distribution of sequences that arise from the theory of modular forms, zeta functions of curves over finite fields and eigenvalues of adjacency matrices of certain kinds of graphs.

Take an irrational number T, look at its multiples T, 2T, 3T, etc. and record the sequence of its decimal parts. Weyl discovered that each and every part of the interval [0,1) gets its fair share of elements from the sequence. That is, this sequence is equidistributed in the interval [0,1). In showing this, Weyl discovered and outlined a beautiful technique that was capable of answering generalizations of this question in a wider paradigm. This technique relates the phenomenon of equidistribution to that of studying what are called exponential sums in number theory and places this phenomenon in a wider landscape of harmonic analysis.

Many sequences arising in number theory follow a distribution pattern that can be defined by elegant functions. One of the major breakthroughs in recent times is the discovery that certain sequences arising from the Fourier coefficients of modular forms (certain complex-analytic functions with rich inner symmetries and growth conditions) follow the Sato-Tate law.

My primary research work focuses on equidistribution of various such families and sequences arising in the context of modular forms, arithmetic geometry and graph theory. I am investigating deeper statistical phenomena associated with such families, for example fluctuations in the distribution and pair correlation.

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CODING THEORY AND COMBINATORICS

My research in recent years focuses on some fundamental open problems in the theory of Error Correcting Codes (Coding Theory). One such problem is the resolution of the MDS conjecture in finite algebraic geometry. Another problem is to establish the analytical properties like convexity and differentiability for the asymptotic information rate function for codes, as well as to improve on the best known upper and lower bounds for this function.

To motivate the MDS conjecture, consider k by n matrices over a finite field with q elements (say q is odd) such that all k by k minors of this matrix are nonzero. let us call such a matrix MDS.

Question: What can we say about 3 by q+1 MDS matrices?

Beniamino Segre showed that any such matrix is row equivalent to a matrix whose columns lie on the conic $y^2 = xz$.

Question: Do there exist k by q+2 MDS matrices when k $\leq q$?

The negative answer to this question is the MDS conjecture.

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GEOMETRY AND TOPOLOGY

I work mainly at the interface of complex algebraic geometry, symplectic geometry and differential topology. A significant part of my work is devoted to the impact of symmetries on geometric invariants. Often these invariants are of quantum type like Floer homology or Chen-Ruan cohomology. My recent work focuses on (equivariant) vector and principal bundles. I have also become very interested in generalized complex geometry.

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LOCAL LANGLANDS PROGRAM, REPRESENTATION THEORY OF REDUCTIVE GROUPS OVER LOCAL FIELDS

One way of defining number theory is that it is the study of the existence of rational solutions of polynomials equations defined over integers. This amounts to studying the absolute Galois group Γ of the field of rational numbers. The group Γ is very large and is difficult even to write down particular elements of it. One studies it by studying its action on linear spaces, i.e., by studying its space of representations. The Langlands program is a scheme of organizing this vast information. It relates Galois representations with certain, more concretely defined, analytic objects called automorphic representations from which arithmetic information can be extracted. Important applications of the Langlands program to some of the famous problems in number theory include the Artin's conjecture on L-functions, Fermat's Last Theorem, the Sato-Tate conjecture, and the behavior of Hasse-Weil zeta functions.

The conjectures within the Langlands program are quite precise and technical. My current research is about the local Langlands program. The projects I am working on are about/related to – study of Hecke algebras associated to Bernstein blocks and the centers of these blocks, describing Langlands-Shelstad transfer via Hecke algebra morphisms, ABPS conjecture and the stable Bernstein center conjecture.

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ELLIPTIC PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

My research interest includes local and nonlocal type semilinear and quasilinear elliptic partial differential equations and system of equations arising from geometry and physics. I study existence/nonexistence of positive/sign-changing solutions, qualitative properties of solutions, various estimates of solutions and asymptotic analysis of the profile of solutions using the techniques from nonlinear analysis. Another important area of my research is studying elliptic equations (local and nonlocal type) with measure data and generalized boundary trace.

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CLASSICAL ALGEBRAIC K-THEORY

My work is based on problems in classical K-theory which are related to Serre's problem on projective modules. This famous theorem says that finitely generated projective modules over a polynomial ring over field are free. This involves problems in lower K-theory, in particular study of the Whitehead group K1 due to Hyman Bass, which generalizes the group of units of a ring. Initially, these problems were studied for the general linear groups. Then people started generalizing those results for other classical groups and also for the relative cases. At present, I am working on similar problems for the general quadratic and the general Hermitian groups introduced by Anthony Bak. In addition, I am also trying to study few such problems for the higher K-groups.

Recently, I have developed my interest in a very newly developed subject, viz. Leavitt path algebras (LPA), which is making a bridge between algebra and functional analysis. In the future, I would like to work on the algebraic and K-theoretic aspects of LPA.

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LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY

Quantum topology is one of the emerging research areas. Many knot invariants naturally arise through nice matrix algebra representation of interesting quantum groups. They have been related to several models in statistical mechanics. I would like to explore some models that are related to Singular knot theory.

I am also interested in classical knot invariants and their application in mathematics and biological sciences. My joint work with Prof Louis Kauffman on *nodal parity invariants of knotted rigid vertex graphs* discusses the application of this invariant on protein folding classification. I am currently focusing on the following projects dealing with knots and links:

- 1) Represent knots by rational functions using least possible degree
- 2) Compute some of the quantum invariants such as Khovanov Homology and Colored Jones polynomials and their categorifications for as many families of knot as possible either by using simple techniques by hand or write effective programs that can perform the computations.
- 3) Develop some models for DNA as well as RNA/Proteins that can explain folding phenomenon and find a way to design drugs.

For (1) and (2), we use the tools from Real algebraic geometry and+ Representation Theory. For (3) besides understanding both the subjects knot theory and biology, we need some interaction with experimental biologists who can show us how to use electron microscopy so that we can observe knots in concrete situations.

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DISCRETE MATHEMATICS AND ALGORITHMS

Many problems we want to solve are often NP-hard or worse, but somehow, they need to get solved. What can we do? Over the years multiple paradigms for coping with NP-hardness have been introduced: for instance, approximation algorithms, average-case analysis, and randomized algorithms were all borne out of a desire to solve hard problems by relaxing the problem or strengthening the model.

Within the last 20 years, a new paradigm has been introduced, where one measures the time complexity of an algorithm not just in terms of the *input length* but also a small side *parameter*. A priori, the parameter can be anything, but the interesting case is when complex instances of the problem still have relatively small parameter values.

The overall goal is to identify interesting parameterizations of hard problems where we can design algorithms running in time polynomial in the input length but possibly exponential (or worse) in the small parameter. Such an algorithm is called "**fixed-parameter tractable**" and it is the gold standard for parameterized algorithms. We work on the parametrized complexity of fair feedback vertex set problem, the minimum neighbourhood problem, alliances on graphs problem, and satisfactory partition problems.

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SPIN STRUCTURES ON REPRESENTATIONS

A representation of a group on a vector space gives rise to a vector bundle. When does this vector bundle have a spin structure? My research group has answered this question for symmetric groups, for connected compact Lie groups, and for general linear groups over finite fields of odd characteristic. The relevant invariants here are the first and second Stiefel-Whitney classes in the mod 2 group cohomology. Currently, we are extending our results to related groups, and determining higher SW classes.

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NUMBER THEORY, GALOIS COHOMOLOGY, ARITHMETIC ASPECTS OF SYMMETRIC SPACES

Broadly speaking, my area of research is number theory and I have been working on problems mostly related to local fields. My thesis deals with questions having a common theme of understanding behavior of norm maps in Galois extensions of local fields. As an application, I computed the Chow group of Zero-cycles of degree zero on Châtelet surfaces over local fields. This work relies on the work of Bloch, Swinnerton-Dyer, Colliot-Téllène, Sansuc.

In joint work with Dr A Hogadi, we proved a conjecture of Hesselholt which predicts the vanishing of the cohomology group $H^1(G(L/K), W(O_L))$ for a Galois extension of local fields L/K. This can be seen as an analogue of Hilbert theorem-90. In the future, I would like to work on generalizations of this result.

Over the last couple of years, I have also been fascinated by arithmetic aspects of locally symmetric spaces which are special type of manifolds. The theory of locally symmetric spaces is a beautiful amalgamation of theory of Lie groups, algebraic groups, analysis, differential geometry, representation theory. In a joint work with Prof CS Rajan and Dr C Bhagwat we have studied questions related to commensurability type problems of these spaces.

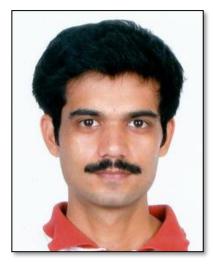
Currently, I am interested in understanding the work of Gopal Prasad and Rapinchuk which establishes a connection between arithmetic and geometric aspects of these spaces, giving rise to series of questions in this area.

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LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY

My area of research is low-dimensional topology. This is a very active area of research with several longstanding conjectures proved fairly recently, like Thurston's Geometrization conjecture (which implies the Poincare conjecture) and the Virtual Fibering conjecture. Within low-dimensional topology I focus mainly on foliations, triangulations and Heegaard splittings of 3-dimensional manifolds.

A closed book looks like a solid 3-dimensional object, but on closer analysis is observed to consist of 2dimensional pages stacked tightly together. Similarly, every 3-manifold can be built by stacking 2-dimensional surfaces tightly together into what is called a foliation. I am studying a special class of foliations called taut foliations which tell us useful topological properties of the 3-manifold.

On cutting open a 3-manifold along a special embedded surface, called the Heegaard-splitting surface, we end up with two simple pieces called handlebodies. Every closed 3-manifold has such a splitting surface which may not be unique. I am currently working on a structure for these splitting surfaces when a 3-manifold has infinitely many of them.

Every 3-manifold can be built by suitably sticking tetraheda together. Normal surfaces are surfaces embedded particularly `nicely' with respect to such a triangulation. I have proved several results using normal surfaces, such as a weak converse of Haken's well-known result about normality of incompressible surfaces with respect to every triangulation of the 3-manifold.

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STATISTICAL INFERENCE AND MODELLING

My research interests are in the areas of inference in stochastic processes, survival analysis reliability theory and statistics in finance. Currently I am working on two problems.

- (i) Modeling and analysis of statistical dependence: for example, in load sharing systems the failure of a component may reduce (increase) the lifetimes of the surviving components resulting in dependence between their lifetimes.
- (ii) Hypothesis testing problems in competing risks with missing causes of failure: the failure of a unit is caused by one of the several risks acting on it. It is of interest to know whether some risk dominates the others but sometimes the actual cause of failure for some units is missing.

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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

My research can be divided into three categories: intersection theory, derived categories, and T-varieties.

Intersection theory

In intersection theory, one defines invariants of algebraically defined geometric spaces in terms of how the spaces lying on the given space intersect each other. One can study those invariants to determine deep geometric properties of the space.

Derived category

Given a variety (a type of algebraically define geometric space), one can define another algebraic object called derived category. It is known that a lot of the geometric properties of the space translate to algebraic properties of the derived category.

T-variety

While studying an object one many times first determine its group of symmetries. The same holds for varieties. When the group of symmetries contain a torus, one can, with some additional hypothesis describe a variety purely in terms of some combinatorial data. Currently I am working on such varieties.

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Currently working on Principal eigenvalue problems and its application to risk-sensitive controls.

PUBLICATIONS

- Arapostathis, A., Biswas, A., and Pradhan, S. `Policy improvement algorithm for ergodic risk-sensitive control,'2019. Preprint
- Ghosh, M. K., Suresh, K., Pal, C. and Pradhan, S. ` Nonzero-Sum Risk-Sensitive Stochastic Differential Game in R^d', 2019. Preprint
- Ghosh, M. K., and Pradhan, S. `Ergodic Risk-Sensitive Stochastic Differential Game with Reflecting Diffusions,' 2019. Preprint
- Ghosh, M. K., and Pradhan, S., `Zero-Sum Risk-Sensitive Stochastic Differential Games with Reflecting Diffusions in Orthant,' 2019. Preprint
- Ghosh, M. K., and Pradhan, S., `A Nonzero-Sum Risk-Sensitive Stochastic Differential Game in Orthant,' 2019. Preprint
- Pradhan, S. `Risk-Sensitive Ergodic Control of Reflected Diffusion Processes in Orthant,' To appear in Applied Mathematics and Optimization. 2019.
- Pal, C., and Pradhan, S. `Risk Sensitive Control of Pure Jump Processes on a General State Space," Stochastics: An International Journal of Probability and Stochastic Processes, 2018, Vol-91, No-2, pp. 155-174.
- Ghosh, M. K., and Pradhan, S. ` Risk-sensitive stochastic differential game with reflecting diffusions,' Stochastic Analysis and Applications. 2018, Vol-36, No-1, pp.1-27.



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRAIC TOPOLOGY

Currently working on Toric principal bundles.

PUBLICATIONS

Cohomology of torus manifold bundles (with Bivas Khan and V. Uma), Math. Slovaca, Vol 69, 2019, No. 3, 685-698. Equivariant K-theory of quasitoric manifolds (with Bivas Khan and V. Uma), Proc. Indian Acad. Sci. Math. Sci., Vol 129(2019), No 5, Art.72, 13pp.

Toric vector bundles on Bott tower (with Bivas Khan), Bulletin des Sciences Mathématiques, 155(2019), 74-91.



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY AND ALGEBRAIC TOPOLOGY

Currently working on classification of toric principal bundles over toric varieties.

PUBLICATIONS

Toric vector bundles on Bott tower (with Jyoti Dasgupta), Bull. Sci. Math., Vol 155, 2019, 74-91, doi:\\ https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bulsci.2019.04.003}{doi.org/10.1016/j.bulsci.2019.04.003}.

Cohomology of torus manifold bundles (with Jyoti Dasgupta and V. Uma), Math. Slovaca, Vol 69, 2019, No. 3, 685 698, doi: https://doi.org/10.1515/ms-2017-0257}{doi.org/10.1515/ms-2017-0257}.

Equivariant K-theory of quasitoric manifolds (with Jyoti Dasgupta and V. Uma), to appear in Proc. Indian Acad. Sci. Math. Sci., available at https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.05147}{arXiv:1805.11373}.



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CATEGORICAL ALGEBRA, COMMUTATIVE ALGEBRA AND ALBEBRAIC GEOMETRY

Currently working on:

- (i) Special classes of morphisms for monoid schemes and blue schemes (with Oliver Lorscheid),
- (ii) Hopf action theory on tensor-triangulated categories (with Vivek Mohan Mallick), and,
- (iii) Topological enrichment of Tropical Nullstellensatz (with J.Jun and J.Tolliver).

PUBLICATIONS

- S. Ray, Closure operations, Continuous valuations on monoids and Spectral spaces, Journal of Algebra and Its Applications (2018), doi: 10.1142/S0219498820500061.
- M.Balodi, A.Banerjee, S.Ray, Cohomology of modules over H-categories and co-H-categories (2019), arXiv:1901.00320 (to appear in Canadian Journal of Mathematics).
- M.Balodi, A.Banerjee, S.Ray, Entwined modules over linear categories (2020), arXiv:1901.00323 (to appear in Israel Journal of Mathematics).



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- MSc : Central University of Hyderabad (in 2014)
- PhD : TIFR, Mumbai (in 2019)
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NUMBER THEORY AND REPRESENTATION THEORY

Currently working on Reductions of crystalline Galois representations and completed cohomology of Shimura curves.



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CLASSICAL K-THEORY AND PROJECTIVE MODULES

Currently doing a problem on generalizing Local Global Principles on relative quadratic groups and for graded situation.

PUBLICATIONS

On a theorem of Keune, Kuntal Chakraborty, Ravi A. Rao, preprint. A note on relative Vaserstein symbol, Kuntal Chakraborty, preprint.



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- MSc : IIT Madras (in 2014)
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GEOMETRY AND TOPOLOGY

Currently working on finding linking pairs in Sp(n,1) and some other algebraic groups.

PUBLICATIONS

Quaternionic hyperbolic Fenchel-Nielsen coordinates (with Krishnendu Gongopadhyay), Geom. Dedicata. 199 (2019), no. 1, 247–271.

On conjugation orbits of semisimple pairs in rank one (with Krishnendu Gongopadhyay), Forum Math. 31 (2019), no. 5, 1097–1118.



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- BS-MS : IISER Mohali (in 2012)
- PhD : Jointly from Universities of Antwerp, Belgium and Konstanz, Germany (in 2018)
- Post-Doc : IISER Pune (since 2020)

QUADRATIC FORMS AND RELATED OBJECTS

Quadratic forms are homogeneous polynomials of degree two. They are studied for several centuries in particular in the context of problems of representation of numbers by sums of 2, 3 or 4 squares or by other quadratic forms. A famous result in algebraic number theory is the Hasse-Minkowski Theorem which provides a complete solution to the problem of determining whether a given quadratic form over a number field is isotropic (represents zero nontrivially).

Theorems like Hasse-Minkowski are also known as local-global principles. Local-global principles often imply a bound on the u-invariant of the field which is defined as the maximum of dimensions of anisotropic quadratic forms.

I am studying local-global principles in a broader context, namely over fields such as finitely generated extensions of transcendence degree one over certain base fields and their implications on the u-invariant. I am in particular interested in the cases where the base field is a complete discretely valued field or a quasi-finite field. I am also interested in understanding valuations over similar fields.

Other algebraic objects of my research interests are central simple algebras, hermitian forms, linear algebraic groups which can be seen as natural generalizations of quadratic forms.

PUBLICATIONS

A ruled residue theorem for function fields of conics, (with K.J. Becher), Submitted (2019),

https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.00479

Strong linkage for function fields of surfaces, (with K.J. Becher), Submitted (2019), https://arxiv.org/abs/2001.02924

PhD STUDENTS



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

Algebraic Geometry and homotopy theory are the broad areas I am interested in. To be specific I am now studying A¹-homotopy theory. A¹-homotopy theory is an attempt to apply techniques in Topology in Algebraic Geometry.

Publications

Hogadi, A. & Kulkarni, G. (2018). Gabber's presentation lemma for finite fields. Journal für die reine und angewandte Mathematik (Crelles Journal), 2020(759), pp. 265-289. Retrieved 6 Feb. 2020, from doi:10.1515/crelle-2017-0049



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NUMBER THEORY

Mainly study about Langlands' Programme.

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LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY

I work with geometric triangulations of constant curvature manifolds.

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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

My research centers around algebraic stacks. Algebraic Stacks provide a uniform framework to study both groups actions as well as moduli problems and generalize both schemes as well as algebraic spaces. They were first introduced by Deligne and Mumford in their seminal paper "The irreducibility of the space of curves of a given genus" (1969), and later generalised by Artin (1970) to their current form.

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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

I mainly work on Fractional PDE and Variational methods.

Publications

Existence and Multiplicity of positive solutions of certain non-local scalar field equations, (with M. Bhakta and D. Ganguly) (Submitted 2019) (arXiv:1910.07919).

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GROUP THEORY

My object of research is Linear Algebraic groups. More particularly, I am studying Word maps, on Linear Algebraic groups over finite fields.

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AUTOMORPHIC FORMS AND REPRESENTATIONS

I mainly study Automorphic forms and their representations.











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LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY

I'm looking for taut foliations in certain knot complements.

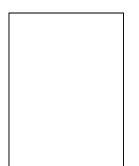


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REPRESENTATION THEORY OF P-ADIC GROUPS

I'm studying Hecke Algebra.



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

I study derived category of coherent sheaves on multi-homogeneous spaces.



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY AND HOMOTOPY THEORY

Currently I am working on problems in Motivic homotopy theory, an area where techniques from Algebraic topology are applied in an Algebraic geometric setting.

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REPRESENTATION THEORY

I am working in the field of representation theory. In particular I am studying the representations of finte groups of lie type.

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STOCHASTIC DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

Stability analysis of Stochastic Differential equation modulated with a semi markov process.

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GROUP THEORY

I work on the Waring type problem.

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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

I am currently studying properties of different eigenvalues for nonlinear operator in unbounded domain. Besides that, I am working on Functional inequalities and Criticality theory for elliptic second order partial differential operator.

Publications

Improved second order Poincare Inequalities on the Hyperbolic space and Model manifolds, (with D. Ganguly, E. Berchio), (In preparation, preprint available on request).

Stochastically completeness, L¹-Lioville and Skew product of second order elliptic operators, (with D. Ganguly), (In preparation, preprint available on request).









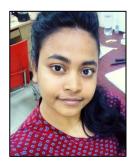


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KNOT THEORY & LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY

I am interested in studying the invariants of knots and 3-manifolds arising from the Jones-Witten theory. I would also like to explore more general perspectives on topological quantum field theories.

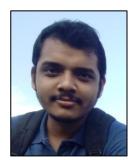


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KNOT THEORY

Right now, I am studying about 2 bridge knots and links and their complements.



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ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY

Study of Modular Forms and the explicit Sato-Tate conjecture and densities.



JISHU DAS

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NUMBER THEORY

I am currently trying to understand basics of Modular forms.

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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

Derived Categories in Algebraic Geometry.

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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

I am interested in questions from graph theory and combinations.

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ANALYSIS

I am currently working on Partial differential equations.

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TOPOLOGY

My research interests lie in Topology and Geometry. More specifically on Algebraic Topology, Differential Topology and Algebraic Geometry. Such studies have led me further afield to areas such as Differential Geometry, Lie Groups and Commutative Algebra etc.

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AUTOMORPHIC FORMS, L-FUNCTIONS AND ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY

Given any sequence of complex number, one can define L series corresponding to sequence. For example, L series corresponds to non-zero constant sequence is Riemann Zeta function. L series associated with Automorphic forms have similar properties as Riemann zeta function. The zeros of such L functions and value of L function at 'some' special points are helpful to study arithmetic of automorphic forms.

iPhD STUDENTS

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SEVERAL COMPLEX VARIABLES

I am studying the boundary behavior of the Robin metric on various class of domains.

Publications

Boundary behaviour of the Caratheodory and Kobayashi-Eisenman volume elements (Accepted for publication in Illinois Journal of Mathematics, 2019)

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REPRESENTATION THEORY

An orthogonal representation (ρ , V) of a finite group G is called spinorial if it can be lifted to Pin(V), where Pin(V) is a non-trivial topological double cover of O(V). Now, the question that we wish to answer is : which of the orthogonal representations of the special linear group of degree 'n' over a finite field (F_{α}), q odd are spinorial?

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ALGORITHMS

In computer science, parameterized complexity is a branch of computational complexity theory that focuses on classifying computational problems according to their inherent difficulty with respect to multiple parameters of the input or output. The complexity of a problem is then measured as a function of those parameters. This allows the classification of NP-hard problems on a finer scale than in the classical setting, where the complexity of a problem is only measured by the number of bits in the input.









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SIEGEL MODULAR FORMS

I am working on Siegel Modular Forms for genus 2.

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BIANCHI MODULAR FORMS

The main work of the project is to extend the study of Eisenstein elements to Bianchi



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ANALYTIC NUMBER THEORY

My project lies at the interface of probabilistic number theory, graph theory and the theory of modular forms. I would like to investigate probabilistic questions about eigenvalues of various families of Ramanujan graphs.



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ALGEBRA

Commutative Algebra, Algebraic Geometry, Algebraic Number theory, Galois theory, Groups, etc.

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APPLIED MATHEMATICS

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ALGEBRAIC NUMBER THEORY AND REPRESENTATION THEORY

Studying the properties of number fields (finite extensions of rational numbers) by embedding it in the restricted direct product of its completions, at every prime ideal in the ring of integers.

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COMBINATORICS, ALGORITHMS AND FOUNDATIONS OF MATHEMATICS

My interests lie in the field of combinatorics and algorithms because the field is full of fun open problems that can be explained to a child but are crazily difficult for example, Prime labelling conjecture, Union closed sets conjecture, P vs. NP problem, Graph isomorphism problem and the list goes on and on. The interest in the field of set theory comes from the progress people have made to PROVE that we cannot PROVE or DISPROVE the Continuum Hypothesis in the ZFC model. It is both beautiful and crazy how someone can prove the decidability of mathematical statements themselves. The way out? Let's figure out.

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Number Theory

Algebraic number theory uses techniques from algebra to answer questions from number theory.my interest lies in knowing about these techniques.

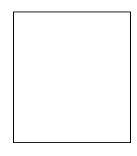
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Stable and fair matching problem.









5th YEAR STUDENTS



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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

I am studying the Laplace operator in various settings such as the graph Laplacian, the Stürm-Liouville operator on compact domains in R and the Laplace (elliptic) operator on bounded domains in $R^{\{n\}}$, Properties such as the asymptotics of the eigenvalues and nodal domains of the eigenfunctions are of particular interest.

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LOW DIMENSIONAL TOPOLOGY AND KNOT THEORY

My Master's thesis is on `Geometric Knot theory'. It discusses the relationship between the geometry and topology of knots. I study the geometric invariants which are invariants arising from geometric properties of the space curve parameterized by some special functions and the topology of spaces of knots represented by specific functions, mainly spaces of polygonal and polynomial knots.

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RESAMPLING MODELS

Resampling is a major area of statistics. Though the idea of re-using the sample dates back to a long time, the area got its major impetus around 1980. Since that time, progress on the theory and applications of resampling has been tremendous. I wish to learn the subject from the basics and work my way towards achieving expertise and finally work on some contemporary problems in both theory and applications on resampling, specially in dependants in high dimensional models.

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TOPOLOGICAL DATA ANALYSIS

Topological data analysis borrows concepts from algebraic topology to extract geometrical features of the data disregarded by standard statistical techniques. Within topological data analysis I specialize in methods like persistent homology and mapper algorithm.

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NUMBER THEORY

I am working on Rigid Analysis for my Master's Thesis. Rigid Analytic Spaces are the non-Archemdean analogues of complex analytic spaces and have gained impetus after Scholze's recent Fields medal winning work.

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DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY, GEOMETRIC ANALYSIS AND KAHLER GEOMETRY

The Calabi Conjecture describes existence of Kahler metrics with "nice" curvature properties on some compact complex manifolds. This conjecture was resolved in many cases by Aubin and Yau. The remaining cases are much harder and only recently completed. Through my 5th year I am studying the basics of complex geometry and nonlinear partial differential equations with a view of studying the Calabi Conjecture's proof in the cases studied by Aubin and Yau (namely, c1(M)=0, <0). Also, will look into some applications and a sneak peek into the c1>0 case.

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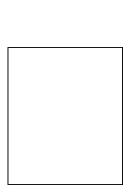
ANALYSIS

Fine properties of measurable functions and it's applications to PDE.











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GEOMETRIC TOPOLOGY

I am studying geometric triangulations of hyperbolic manifolds.



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DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY

I am studying about the Hodge Decomposition Theorem.



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HOMOTOPY TYPE THEORY AND COMPUTABILITY

I am studying basics of dependant and homotopy type theory, and formal verification. I would like to study the relation of computability to the underlying algebraic topology of types.



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NUMBER THEORY

I am currently studying Class Field theory envisaged by the cohomological approach envisaged by Artin and Tate.

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REPRESENTATION THEORY AND NUMBER THEORY

My master's thesis is on 'The local Langlands conjecture for GL(2, F)' where F is a nonarchimedean local field. This is a central theme in modern number theory and is a generalization of local class field theory. Another aim of the project involves the study of adjacency operator of the Bruhat-Tits tree for GL(2, F).

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REPRESENTATION THEORY

Stiefel-Whitney classes of a representation of a finite group are interesting invariants which arise naturally when studying spinoriality of representations. I am studying the Stiefel-Whitney classes of representations of dihedral and symmetric groups.

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CONTACT TOPOLOGY

Understanding relation between Contact structures and Foliations via Open books.

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PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS AND GEOMETRIC ANALYSIS

I am studying Elliptic PDEs and the Variational Method.











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STOCHASTIC PROCESS

I am currently Studying Stochastic Differential Equation and Integration under Semimartingale processes and previously studied math Finance.



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ALGEBRAIC GEOMETRY AND COMMUTATIVE ALGEBRA

I am studying the set theoretic completion of affine n space.



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TOPOLOGICAL DATA ANALYSIS

I study the collection of data analysis methods that find structure in a given data. The methods range from the classical to the more recent ones based on topological and geometrical methods. These include clustering, persistent homology, manifold estimation etc, and the application of some techniques to analyse real data sets.

EXTERNAL TAs

PRASHANT ANANT GITTE

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COMMUTATIVE ALGEBRA

I am highly interested in studying Artin Rings and Noetherian Rings, along with certain local rings



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I have obtained an MSc Degree in mathematics from Savitribai Phule Pune University in 2018. I am highly interested in pursuing the various applicative aspects of mathematics in real life.

VARUN KULKARNI

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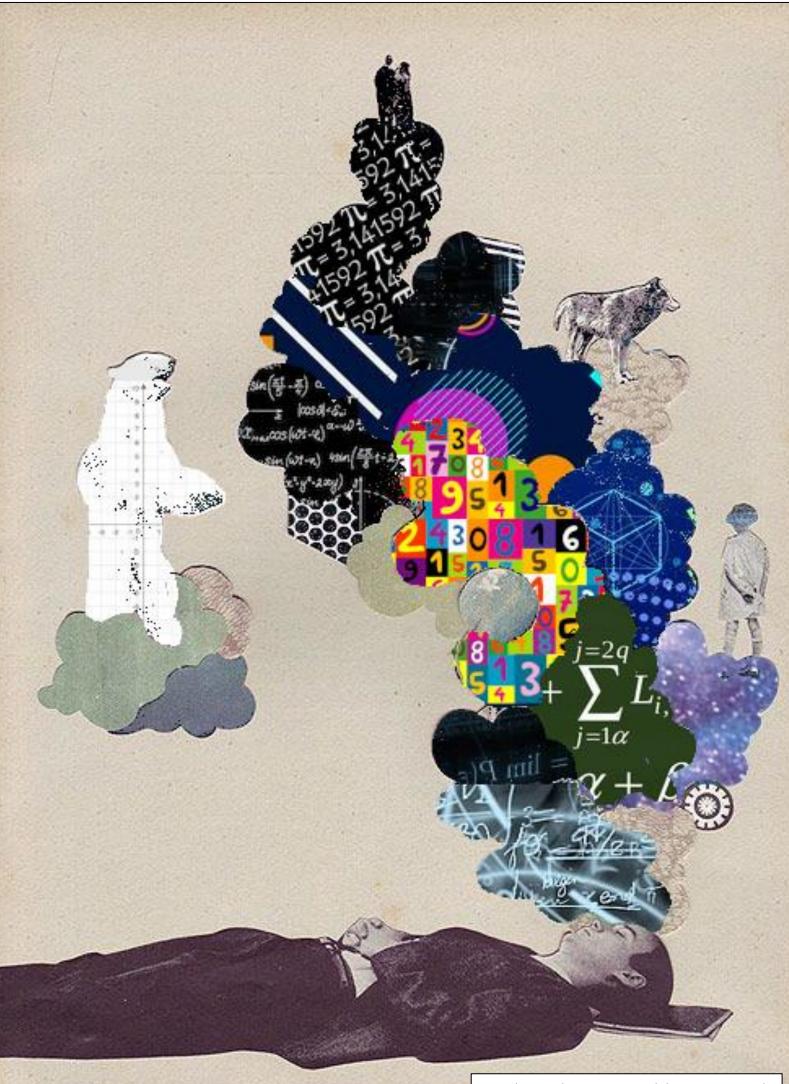
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