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Born: November 26, 1979, Calcutta, India.

Citizenship: India

Immigration status: Permanent Resident in the US

Employment

Sept 2013 onwards	Professor of Mathematics and Statistics, Stanford University.
Sept 2009 - Aug 2013	Associate Professor of Mathematics, Courant Institute, NYU.
July 2009 - June 2011	Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics, UC Berkeley. (On leave.)
July 2006 - June 2009	Assistant Professor of Statistics, UC Berkeley.
July 2005 - June 2006	Visiting Neyman Assistant Professor of Statistics, UC Berkeley.

Education

June 2005	Ph.D. in Statistics, Stanford University. Advisor: Persi Diaconis.
May 2002	Master of Statistics, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata.
May 2000	Bachelor of Statistics, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata.

Awards and honors

- 1. 2024 Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.
- 2. 2023 Fellow of the Royal Society.
- 3. 2020 Infosys Prize in Mathematical Sciences.
- 4. 2018 Fellow of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics.
- 5. 2014 Invited Talk at the International Congress of Mathematicians.
- 6. 2013 Line and Michel Loève International Prize in Probability.
- 7. 2013 Young Researcher Award from the International Indian Statistical Association.
- 8. 2012 IMS Medallion Lecture.
- 9. 2012 First recipient of the Doeblin Prize in Probability.
- 10. 2010 Rollo Davidson Prize, awarded by the Rollo Davidson Trustees, University of Cambridge.
- 11. 2008 Tweedie New Researcher Award, from the Institute of Mathematical Statistics.
- 12. 2007 Sloan Research Fellowship in Mathematics.

Professional services

- 1. Member of the IMS Council, 2023 2026.
- 2. Member of the Scientific Research Board of the American Institute of Mathematics, 2022 2025.
- 3. Member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Simons Laufer Mathematical Sciences Institute (formerly Mathematical Sciences Research Institute), 2022 2026.

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- 4. Associate editor for the Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society, 2023 onwards.
- 5. Associate editor for the Annals of Applied Probability, 2022 onwards.
- 6. Associate editor for the Communications in Mathematical Physics, 2019 onwards.
- 7. Associate editor for Sankhyā, Series A, 2012 2015.
- 8. Associate editor for Probability Theory and Related Fields, 2011 2015.
- 9. Associate editor for the Annals of Probability, 2009 2014.
- 10. Associate editor for the Annales de l'Institut Henri Poincaré (B), 2008 2013.

Visiting positions

Academic year 2023-2024 Member at the School of Mathematics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.

Sept 2012 – Aug 2013 Visiting Associate Professor of Mathematics and Statistics, Stanford University.

May 2008 Visiting Professor of Mathematics at Université de Toulouse, France.

Books

- 1. Large Deviations for Random Graphs. (Lecture notes for the 45th Saint Flour Probability Summer School, 2015.) Springer, Berlin-Heidelberg, 2017.
- 2. Superconcentration and Related Topics. Springer Monographs in Mathematics. Springer, Berlin-Heidelberg, 2014.

Recent preprints

- 1. Non-identifiability distinguishes Neural Networks among Parametric Models. (with Timothy Sudijono)
- 2. Rigorous results for timelike Liouville field theory.
- 3. Univariate-Guided Sparse Regression. (with Trevor Hastie and Robert Tibshirani)
- 4. On the stability of solutions to random optimization problems under small perturbations. (with Souvik Ray)
- 5. Neural Networks Generalize on Low Complexity Data. (with Timothy Sudijono)
- 6. A Vershik-Kerov theorem for wreath products. (with Persi Diaconis)
- 7. A scaling limit of SU(2) lattice Yang-Mills-Higgs theory.
- 8. Spin glass phase at zero temperature in the Edwards-Anderson model.
- 9. Convergence of gradient descent for deep neural networks.

Published or accepted papers

- 1. Spectral gap of nonreversible Markov chains. To appear in Ann. App. Probab.
- 2. Estimating large causal polytrees from small samples. (with Mathukumalli Vidyasagar) To appear in *Indian J. Pure Appl. Math.*, special issue in honor of K. R. Parthasarathy.
- 3. Liouville Theory: An Introduction to Rigorous Approaches. (with Edward Witten) *J. High Energy Phys.*, **2025**, article no. 153, 2025.
- 4. An invariance principle for the 1D KPZ equation. (with Arka Adhikari) *Ann. Probab.*, **52** No. 6, 2019–2050, 2024.
- 5. A survey of some recent developments in measures of association. In *Probability and Stochastic Processes (Volume in Honour of Rajeeva L. Karandikar)*. Athreya, S., Bhatt, A. G., Rao, B. V. (eds). Springer, Singapore, 2024.
- 6. Enumerative Theory for the Tsetlin Library. (with Persi Diaconis and Gene Kim) *J. Algebra*, **655**, 139–162, 2024.

- 7. Features of a spin glass in the random field Ising model. *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **405**, article no. 93, 2024.
- 8. A state space for 3D Euclidean Yang–Mills theories. (with Sky Cao) Comm. Math. Phys., 405, article no. 3, 2024.
- 9. The Yang–Mills heat flow with random distributional initial data. (with Sky Cao) *Comm. Partial Diff. Eq.*, **48** no. 2, 209–251, 2023.
- Existence of stationary ballistic deposition on the infinite lattice. Random Structures and Algorithms, 62 no. 3, 600–622, 2023.
- 11. Weak convergence of directed polymers to deterministic KPZ at high temperature. *Ann. de l'Institut Henri Poincaré Probab. Stat.*, **59** no. 2, 774–794, 2023.
- 12. Superconcentration in surface growth. Random Structures and Algorithms, 62, 304–334, 2023.
- 13. Isomorphisms between random graphs. (with Persi Diaconis) *J. Combin. Theory, Ser. B.*, **160**, 144–162, 2023.
- A random walk on the Rado graph. (with Persi Diaconis and Laurent Miclo) In *Toeplitz Operators* and Random Matrices, in honor of Harold Widom. Edited by E. Basor, A. Böttcher, T. Ehrhardt, and C. A. Tracy. Springer Nature, Switzerland, 2022.
- 15. Local KPZ behavior under arbitrary scaling limits. *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **396** no. 3, 1277–1304, 2022.
- 16. Matrix completion with data-dependent missingness probabilities. (with Sohom Bhattacharya) *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory.*, **68** no. 10, 6762–6773, 2022.
- 17. Convergence of deterministic growth models. (with Panagiotis E. Souganidis) *Arch. Rational Mech. Anal.*, **245** no. 2, 863–898, 2022.
- 18. A phase transition for repeated averages. (with Persi Diaconis, Allan Sly and Lingfu Zhang) *Ann. Probab.*, **50** no. 1, 1–17, 2022.
- 19. A new coefficient of correlation. J. Amer. Statist. Assoc., 116 no. 536, 2009-2022, 2021.
- 20. A simple measure of conditional dependence. (with Mona Azadkia) *Ann. Statist.*, **49** no. 6, 3070–3102, 2021.
- 21. A probabilistic mechanism for quark confinement. Comm. Math. Phys. 385, 1007–1039, 2021.
- 22. Average Gromov hyperbolicity and the Parisi ansatz. (with Leila Sloman) Adv. Math., 376, 107417, 2021.
- 23. A deterministic theory of low rank matrix completion. *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, **66** no. 12, 8046–8055, 2020.
- 24. Speeding up Markov chains with deterministic jumps. (with Persi Diaconis) *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, (special issue in honor of Harry Kesten) 178 no. 3, 1193–1214, 2020.
- 25. Fluctuation lower bounds in planar random growth models. (with Erik Bates) *Ann. de l'Inst. Henri Poincaré Probab. Stat.*, **56** no. 4, 2406–2427, 2020.
- 26. Localization in Gaussian disordered systems at low temperature. (with Erik Bates) *Ann. Probab.*, 48 no. 6, 2755–2806, 2020.
- 27. Wilson loops in Ising lattice gauge theory. Comm. Math. Phys., 377, 307-340, 2020.
- 28. Constructing a solution of the (2+1)-dimensional KPZ equation. (with Alexander Dunlap) Ann. Probab., 48 no. 2, 1014–1055, 2020.
- 29. The endpoint distribution of directed polymers. (with Erik Bates) *Ann. Probab.*, **48** no. 2, 817–871, 2020.
- 30. Localization in random geometric graphs with too many edges. (with Matan Harel) Ann. Probab., 48 no. 2, 574–621, 2020.

- 31. Rigidity of the three-dimensional hierarchical Coulomb gas. *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **175** no. 3, 1123–1176, 2019.
- 32. Proof of the path localization conjecture for directed polymers. *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **370**, 703–717, 2019.
- 33. A general method for lower bounds on fluctuations of random variables. *Ann. Probab.*, **47** no. 4, 2140–2171, 2019.
- 34. Yang-Mills for probabilists. In *Probability and Analysis in Interacting Physical Systems: In Honor of S. R. S. Varadhan, pp. 1–16*, Springer, Berlin, 2019.
- 35. Central limit theorem for the free energy of the random field Ising model. *J. Stat. Phys.*, **175**, 185–202, 2019.
- 36. Rigorous solution of strongly coupled SO(N) lattice gauge theory in the large N limit. Comm. Math. Phys., 366, 203–268, 2019.
- 37. On the decay of correlations in the random field Ising model. *Comm. Math. Phys.*, **362** no. 1, 253–267, 2018.
- 38. Arbitrarily small perturbations of Dirichlet Laplacians are quantum unique ergodic. (with Jeffrey Galkowski) *J. Spectr. Theory.*, 8 no. 3, 909–947, 2018.
- 39. The sample size required in importance sampling. (with Persi Diaconis) *Ann. App. Probab.*, **28** no. 2, 1099–1135, 2018.
- 40. Discussion of the paper on "Concentration for (regularized) empirical risk minimization" by Sara van de Geer and Martin Wainwright. Sankhya A, 79 no. 2, 208–211, 2017.
- 41. A central limit theorem for a new statistic on permutations. (with Persi Diaconis) *Indian J. Pure App. Math.*, (special issue in honor of Prof. B. V. Rao) 48 no. 4, 561–573, 2017.
- 42. A note about the uniform distribution on the intersection of a simplex and a sphere. *J. Topol. Anal.*, **9** no. 4, 717–738, 2017.
- 43. Minimal spanning trees and Stein's method. (with Sanchayan Sen) *Ann. App. Probab.*, **27** no. 3, 1588–1645, 2017.
- 44. The leading term of the Yang-Mills free energy. J. Funct. Anal., 271, 2944-3005, 2016.
- 45. An introduction to large deviations for random graphs. *Bull. Amer. Math. Soc.*, **53** no. 4, 617–642, 2016.
- 46. Nonlinear large deviations. (with Amir Dembo) Adv. Math., 299, 396–450, 2016.
- 47. Absence of replica symmetry breaking in the random field Ising model. *Commun. Math. Phys.*, **337** no. 1, 93–102, 2015.
- 48. Matrix estimation by Universal Singular Value Thresholding. *Ann. Statist.*, **43** no. 1, 177–214, 2015
- 49. A short survey of Stein's method. Proceedings of ICM 2014, Vol IV, 1-24, 2014.
- 50. A new perspective on least squares under convex constraint. *Ann. Statist.*, **42** no. 6, 2340–2381, 2014.
- 51. Fluctuations of the Bose-Einstein condensate. (with Persi Diaconis) *J. Phys. A: Math. Theor.*, **47**, 085201 (23pp), 2014.
- 52. Invariant measures and the soliton resolution conjecture. *Comm. Pure Appl. Math.*, **67** no. 11, 1737–1842, 2014.
- 53. Central limit theorem for first-passage percolation time across thin cylinders. (with Partha S. Dey) *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **156** nos. 3-4, 613–663, 2013.
- 54. Random Overlap Structures: Properties and Applications to Spin Glasses. (with Louis-Pierre Arguin) *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **156** nos. 1-2, 375–413, 2013.

- 55. The universal relation between scaling exponents in first-passage percolation. *Ann. Math.* (2), 177 no. 2, 663–697, 2013.
- 56. Estimating and Understanding Exponential Random Graph Models. (with Persi Diaconis) *Ann. Statist.*, **41** no. 5, 2428–2461, 2013.
- 57. Probabilistic methods for discrete nonlinear Schrödinger equations. (with Kay Kirkpatrick) *Comm. Pure Appl. Math.* **65** no. 5, 727–757, 2012.
- 58. Large deviations for random matrices. (with S. R. S. Varadhan) *Comm. Stoch. Analysis*, **6** no. 1, 1–13, 2012.
- 59. The missing log in large deviations for triangle counts. *Random Structures and Algorithms*, **40** no. 4, 437–451, 2012.
- 60. A new approach to strong embeddings. Probab. Theory Related Fields, 152, 231–264, 2012.
- 61. Random multiplicative functions in short intervals. (with Kannan Soundararajan) *Int. Math. Res. Not.*, **2012** no. 3, 479–492, 2012.
- 62. A combinatorial analysis of interacting diffusions. (with Soumik Pal) *J. Theoret. Probab.*, **24**, 939–968, 2011.
- 63. Random graphs with a given degree sequence. (with Persi Diaconis and Allan Sly) *Ann. App. Probab.*, **21** no. 4, 1400–1435, 2011.
- 64. Exponential Approximation by Exchangeable Pairs and Spectral Graph Theory. (with Jason Fulman and Adrian Roellin) *ALEA*, **8**, 1–27, 2011.
- 65. Non-normal approximation by Stein's Method of Exchangeable Pairs with Application to the Curie-Weiss Model. (with Qi-Man Shao) *Ann. App. Probab.*, **21** no. 2, 464–483, 2011.
- 66. Spectral clustering and the high-dimensional Stochastic Block Model. (with Karl Rohe and Bin Yu) *Ann. Statist.*, **39** no. 4, 1878–1915, 2011.
- 67. The large deviation principle for the Erdős-Rényi random graph. (with S. R. S. Varadhan) *European J. Comb.*, **32** no. 7, 1000–1017, 2011.
- 68. Phase Transitions in Gravitational Allocation. (with Ron Peled, Yuval Peres and Dan Romik) *Geom. Funct. Anal.*, **20**, 870–917, 2010.
- 69. Applications of Stein's method for concentration inequalities. (with Partha S. Dey) *Ann. Probab.*, **38** no. 6, 2443–2485, 2010.
- 70. Gravitational allocation to Poisson points. (with Ron Peled, Yuval Peres, and Dan Romik) *Ann. Math.* (2), **172** no. 1, 617–671, 2010.
- 71. Spin glasses and Stein's method. *Probab. Theory Related Fields.*, **148** nos. 3–4, 567–600, 2010.
- 72. A phase transition behavior for Brownian motions interacting through their ranks. (with Soumik Pal) *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **147**, 123–159, 2010.
- 73. Fluctuations of eigenvalues and second order Poincaré inequalities. *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **143**, 1–40, 2009.
- 74. Central Limit Theorems for the Energy Density in the Sherrington-Kirkpatrick Model. (with Nicholas Crawford) *J. Statist. Phys.*, **137**, 639–666, 2009.
- An observation about submatrices. (with Michel Ledoux) Elec. Comm. Probab., 14, 495–500, 2009.
- 76. Consistent estimates of deformed Gaussian random fields on the plane. (with Ethan Anderes) *Ann. Statist.*, **37** no. 5A, 2324–2350, 2009.
- 77. A new method of normal approximation. Ann. Probab., 36, no. 4, 1584–1610, 2008.
- 78. Multivariate normal approximation using exchangeable pairs. (with Elizabeth Meckes) *ALEA*, 4 257–283, 2008.

- 79. Stein's method for concentration inequalities. *Probab. Theory Related Fields*, **138**, 305–321, 2007.
- 80. Estimation in spin glasses: A first step. Ann. Statist., 35, no. 5, 1931-1946, 2007.
- 81. Concentration of Haar measures, with an application to random matrices. *J. Funct. Anal.*, **245**, 379–389, 2007.
- 82. A generalization of the Lindeberg principle. Ann. Probab., 34, no. 6, 2061–2076, 2006.
- 83. Concentration inequalities with exchangeable pairs. Ph.D. thesis. Stanford University, 2005.
- 84. Exchangeable pairs and Poisson approximation. (with Persi Diaconis and Elizabeth Meckes) *Probab. Surv.*, **2**, 64–106, 2005.
- 85. A new method for bounding rates of convergence of empirical spectral distributions. (with Arup Bose) *J. Theoret. Probab.*, **17** no. 4, 1003–1019, 2004.
- 86. Limiting spectral distributions of large dimensional random matrices. (with Arup Bose and Sreela Gangyopadhyay) *J. Indian Statist. Assoc.*, **41** no. 2, 221–259, 2003.

Other preprints

- 1. Universality of deterministic KPZ.
- 2. The 1/N expansion for SO(N) lattice gauge theory at strong coupling. (with Jafar Jafarov)
- 3. High dimensional regression and matrix estimation without tuning parameters.
- 4. Prediction error of cross-validated Lasso. (with Jafar Jafarov)
- 5. On level sets of Gaussian fields. (with Amir Dembo and Jian Ding)
- 6. Stochastic solutions of the wave equation.
- 7. Assumptionless consistency of the Lasso.
- 8. Properties of Uniform Doubly Stochastic Matrices. (with Persi Diaconis and Allan Sly)
- 9. Disorder chaos and multiple valleys in spin glasses.
- 10. Chaos, concentration, and multiple valleys.
- 11. The Ghirlanda-Guerra identities without averaging.
- 12. A simple invariance theorem.
- 13. An error bound in the Sudakov-Fernique inequality.