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✿ CAREER PROFILE

I am a research fellow at the School of Mathematics and Computer Science, Indian Institute of Technology Goa. My research interests lie at the intersection of automata theory and formal verification. During my PhD, I have focused on the equivalence and learning of one-counter systems.

PUBLICATIONS

• Learning Deterministic One-Counter Automata in Polynomial Time [arXiv Link]	Mar 7, 2025
	LICS 2025 (to appear)
• Learning Real-time One-Counter Automata Using Polynomially Many Queries [Link]	May 1, 2025
Co-authors: Dr. Vincent Penelle, Dr. Sreejith A.V.	TACAS 2025
• Equivalence of Deterministic Weighted Real-time One-Counter Automata [Link]	Feb 3, 2025
Co-authors: Dr. Vincent Penelle, Dr. Prakash Saivasan, Dr. Sreejith A.V.	ICLA 2025
Weighted One-Deterministic-Counter Automata Link	December 12, 2023
Co-authors: Dr. Vincent Penelle, Dr. Prakash Saivasan, Dr. Sreejith A.V.	<i>FSTTCS 2023</i>
• CAP: A Cellular Automata Based Fuzzy Classifier [Link]	February 26, 2022
Co-authors: Dr. Abdul Nizar M Mater	ials Today Proceedings
Optical Music Recognition Using Image Processing and Machine Learning [Link]	August 11, 2018
Co-authors: Rahul Vijayakumar, Aju Tom Kuriakose, Jesmy Sunny, Dr. Ramani Bai V	<i>IJCSE 2018</i>
• Survey on Fuzzy Logic & Fuzzy Classifiers Based on Continuous Cellular Automat	ta August 20, 2016
Co-authors: Dr. Abdul Nizar M	NCTT 2016

EXPERIENCE

• Indian Institute of Technology Goa	January 2025 to present
Junior Research Fellow	January 2024 to July 2024
	February 2018 to December 2018
• Tata Elxsi, Trivandrum	January 2017 to January 2018
Senior Engineer	
Central Polytechnic College, Trivandrum	June 2016 to October 2016
Guest Lecturer	

Important Talks

• Learning Deterministic One-Counter Automata in Polynomial Time, LICS 2025	June 24, 2025
• Learning Real-Time One-Counter Automata Using Polynomially Many Queries, TACAS 2025 [Talk]	May 6, 2025
• Weighted One-Deterministic-Counter Automata (Lightning Talk), ACM ARCS 2025	Feb 27, 2025
• Equivalence of Deterministic Weighted Real-time One-Counter Automata, ICLA 2025	Feb 3, 2025

• Learning Real-Time One-Counter Automata Using Polynomially Many Queries, RHPL 2024 [Talk]	Dec 18, 2024
• Learning one-counter automata using SAT solver, Highlights 2024 [Talk]	Sep 19, 2024
• Weighted one deterministic-counter automata, FSTTCS 2023 [Talk]	July 2023
• One deterministic-counter automata, Highlights 2023 [Talk]	July 2023
• Weighted one-deterministic-counter automata, FM Update Meeting 2023 [Talk]	June 2023

• Other Talks

• Learning Real-Time One-Counter Automata Using Polynomially Many Queries, TIFR Mumbai	April 4, 2025
• Learning One-Counter Automata Using SAT Solver, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium	September 10, 2024
• Learning One-Counter Automata Using SAT Solver, Université de Mons, Belgium	September 9, 2024
• Learning One-Counter Automata Using SAT Solver, RWTH Aachen University, Germany	September 6, 2024
• CAP: A cellular automata-based fuzzy classifier, AIES 2021	December 2021
• Optical music recognition using image processing and machine learning, IJCSE 2018	August 2018

▲ Awards and Recognitions

• Received grant from Google for our work on learning one-counter automata	May 2025
\bullet Received ACM/IARCS travel grant for attending LICS 2025	May 2025
\bullet Selected for scholarship for the Logic Mentoring Workshop at LICS 2025	April 2025
• Successfully defended my Ph.D. dissertation titled "Learning and Equivalence of one-counter systems"	April, 2025
- Awarded with the ETAPS 2025 scholarship for participating in TACAS 2025 $$	April 2025
\bullet Awarded with the ACM/IARCS travel grant for attending TACAS 2025	April 2025
\bullet Received travel grant from ACM India for attending ARCS 2025	March 2025
\bullet Received invitation from ACM India to present our work at ARCS 2025	December 2024
• Received grants from RWTH Aachen University, Germany and University of Antwerp, Belgium for research visits	September 2024

▲ Research Visits

• Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai, India	March 24 to April 4, 2025
• University of Antwerp, Belgium	Sep 9 to 13, 2024
• RWTH Aachen University, Germany	Sep 4 to 6, 2024
• The Institute of Mathematical Sciences, HBNI, India	June 1 to 30, 2022

• Teaching Assistance

• Introduction to Computing	Spring 2020 – 21, Autumn 2023 – 24
• Randomised Algorithms	Spring 2022 – 23
• Software Tools	Spring 2022 – 23
• Data Structures and Algorithms	Autumn 2022 – 23, Sumer 2022, Autumn 2021 – 22, Autumn 2020 – 21
• Automata Theory	Spring 2020 – 21, Spring 2018 – 19
• Logic in Computer Science	$Autumn \ 2019 - 20$
• Advanced Algorithms	Spring 2018 – 19

EDUCATION

• Indian Institute of Technology Goa	January 2019 to December 2024
Ph.D. in Theoretical Computer Science	CPI: 8.45
-Chennai Mathematical Institute, Tamil Nadu Ph.D. Coursework	January 2020 to April 2020
• College of Engineering Trivandrum, Kerala	August 2014 to April 2016
M.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	CGPA: 9.11
• Saintgits Engineering College, Kerala	July 2010 to April 2014
B. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering	CGPA: 7.62
• Don Bosco Higher Secondary School, Kottayam, Kerala	2008 to 2010
Class 12	Aggregate: 86.36 %
• Don Bosco Higher Secondary School, Kottayam, Kerala	2007 to 2008
Class 10	CGPA: 10/10

& OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Reviewed NPTEL transcripts for the course "Theory of Computation" by Prof. Somenath Biswas
- Sub-reviewer for the International Conference on Concurrency Theory (CONCUR), 2023
- Volunteered and contributed towards the successful organisation of FSTTCS 2021 and FSTTCS 2022
- Volunteered in organising FM Update Meeting 2023
- Successfully cleared the UGC NET examination and have met the eligibility criteria for lectureship
- Member of the evaluation team for the national level technical project exhibition SRISHTI 2025
- Passed BEC vantage conducted by University of Cambridge
- Passed grade 5 vocals with merit conducted by Trinity College London
- Passed grade 3 piano with merit conducted by Trinity College London
- Earned the "Rashtrapathi Scout" award

🛎 Projects

• MinOCA

- A tool for active learning of one-counter automata using polynomially many queries
- Tools & technologies used: Python
- This tool is associated with our paper "Learning Real-Time One-Counter Automata Using Polynomially Many Queries" that appeared in TACAS 2025.
 Code: zenodo.org/records/14604419

• MoES - River Width Extraction Project

Web application for MoES for calculating river water discharge from satellite images.

- Tools & technologies used: Python, Django
- This work was done as a part of a joint project with Dr. Sreejith A.V (IIT Goa) and Dr. Gaurav Kumar (IISER Bhopal).

• Skill Center - Tata Elxsi

Web application to manage employee profiles of Tata Elxsi.

- Tools & technologies used: C#, MVC, .NET
- The application manages skills, project allocation, training, funnel management, performance evaluations, and resume creation. It helps assign projects based on employee skills, plan and track training, search for employees, assess performance, and create resumes.

• Fuzzy Classifier using Continuous Cellular Automata [Report][Code]

Continuous cellular automata-based fuzzy classifier in Java using Weka.

- Tools & technologies used: Java, Weka
- Project done as part of Masters degree thesis.

Open Image Transcriptor [Report][Code]

Image processing tool to recognise musical notes from sheet music and convert it into a MIDI file.

- Tools & technologies used: Java, Python
- Project done as part of Undergraduate project.

Jan 2024 to December 2024

February 2018 to December 2018

January 2017 - February 2018

June 2015 - September 2016

June 2013 - June 2014