

# ANIRUDDHA PATHAK

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## EDUCATION

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- Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics** Aug 2020 - May 2025(Expected)  
Iowa State University, Ames, IA; CGPA: 3.82/4  
Advisor : Prof. Somak Dutta
- Master of Science in Statistics** Aug 2018 - Jul 2020  
Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India; CGPA: 9.2/10
- Bachelor of Science with Honors in Statistics** Jul 2015 - Jun 2018  
Ramakrishna Mission Residential College, Narendrapur; University of Calcutta, India.  
Honors(Major) Subject Aggregate Marks: 84.25%.  
Minor Subjects: Mathematics, Computer Science.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- Quantitative Analyst Intern, Wells Fargo, Charlotte, NC** Jun 2023 – Aug 2023  
· Worked in the *Retail Credit and PPNR Validation* team in the *Corporate Model Risk* CoE.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Analysis of Yield Data from Multi-Environment Field Trials in the presence of Missing Values**  
*Ph.D. Research Project* Aug 2022 – Present

- **Advisor:** Prof. Somak Dutta, Iowa State University.
- Currently working on modeling genome-environment interaction yield data in the presence of missing values and predicting yield for untested environments.

- Some Nonparametric Tests of Randomness for Rectangular Binary Grids**  
*ISU STAT 680 Course Project under Prof. Ranjan Maitra, ISU* Aug 2021 – Dec 2021

- Hidden messages can be stored in the least-significant-bits (LSBs) of images, called *Steganography*.
- Developed two nonparametric tests based on the counts of  $k_1 \times k_2$  blocks to detect the existence of any hidden structure in the LSBs.
- Assessed the performance of these tests on simulated datasets with empirical power analysis.
- Applied these tests on a set of 1800 digital camera images of different scenes over 18 devices from 5 camera models.

- Parsimonious Classification using Higher Order Markov Chains**  
*Masters Project at IIT Kanpur under Prof. Subhajit Dutta* Jan 2020 – Jun 2020

- Worked on Classification problems with categorical feature variables, which can be found in Biology, Computer Science, Finance, etc.
- Formulated three different classifiers - Maximum likelihood estimates based, Conditional Probability Mixture probability model based, LASSO regularized logistic regression on counting statistics based.
- Applied the classifiers on simulated datasets to assess the performance with their error rates and time efficiency.

## OTHER TERM PROJECTS

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- Analysis and Forecasting of Gold Price Data**  
*Course Project for 'Time Series Analysis' under Prof. Amit Mitra, IIT Kanpur* Aug 2019 – Nov 2019

- Data Preparation including handling missing values, estimation, and elimination of the trend and the seasonal component.
- Tested stationarity of the data, built a suitable model through ARIMA, and analyzed with forecasting.

## Some Exploratory Issues in Statistical Computing

IASc - INSA – NASI Science Academies' Summer Research Fellowship Program 2019    May 2019 - Jul 2019

- **Project Guide:** Prof. Saurabh Ghosh, Human Genetics Unit, Indian Statistical Institute Kolkata
- Reviewed the efficiency of likelihood-based and k-Means clustering in the context of the Iris dataset.
- Studied the application of the EM algorithm for allele proportion estimation in blood type data.
- Applied the methodologies to analyze the dataset on the effect of physical and genetic properties on Coronary Artery Disease.

## A Study on Car Pricing based on Automobile Market Data

Course Project for 'Regression Analysis' under Prof. Sharmishtha Mitra, IIT Kanpur    Jan 2019 - May 2019

- Preparation of raw data by imputing missing values and dummification of categorical variables.
- Used multiple linear regression to model the car prices on specifications
- Checking for multicollinearity and validity of the model assumptions through tests and Visualizations.
- Determination of best possible subset model through variable selection method.
- Using confidence intervals for predicted car prices detection of overpriced cars.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Graduate Teaching Assistant

Aug 2020 - Present

*Iowa State University*

- Worked as a lab instructor for undergraduate level Probability and Statistics courses - STAT 101, STAT 326, STAT 342.
- Worked as a grader for undergraduate and graduate level Probability and Statistics courses - STAT 231, STAT 322, STAT 542, STAT 587, and graduate-level Measure-theoretic Probability course - STAT 642.

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

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### At Iowa State University -

- **Theory :** Measure Theory, Adv. Probability Theory, Adv. Theory of Statistical Inference.
- **Methods :** Linear Models and Design of Experiments, Adv. Statistical Modelling.
- **Other Electives :** Applied Modern Multivariate Statistical Learning, Nonparametric Methods, Adv. Statistical Computing, Mathematical Finance.

### At IIT Kanpur, India -

- **Statistics:** Probability Theory, Sampling Theory, Regression Analysis, Statistical Inference, Analysis of Variance, Time Series Analysis, Stochastic Process, Statistical Simulation and Data Analysis, Probabilistic Theory of Pattern Recognition, Multivariate Analysis, Nonparametric Inference, Bayesian Analysis, Statistical and AI Techniques in Data Mining.
- **Mathematics :** Linear Algebra, Real Analysis, Complex Analysis, Convex Optimization.
- **Computer Science :** Computer Programming and Data Structures.

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Received award for Best Narrative (Statistics) in the 2023 International Cherry Blossom Prediction Competition organized by George Mason University.
- Selected under IASc - INSA – NASI Science Academies' Summer Research Fellowship Program 2019.
- Secured All India Rank 33 in IIT Joint Admission Test for M.Sc. 2018 among 2926 candidates from all across India.
- Recipient of INSPIRE-SHE Scholarship awarded by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, for pursuing an undergraduate degree in sciences at a leading institute.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Programming Languages:** R, RCpp, C++, Python, SQL.

**Other Tools:** L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, JMP, Minitab.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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Member, Statistics for Community(STATCOM), Iowa State University

Oct 2022 - Present