Viral Chitlangia

Education

BS Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Statistics & Data Science

2022 - 2026

• CPI: 9.0/10.0

Honours Track Student

Minor: Department of Computer Science - Machine Learning & Applications

XII Delhi Public School Bangalore East

2022

• Grade: 96%

Scholastic Achievements _____

- Academic Excellence Award, IIT Kanpur For exceptional performance in Academic Session 2022-23 and 2023-24.
- Was part of the team that represented IIT Kanpur in Mimamsa 2024 hosted by IISER Pune, and secured 4th place among more that 1500 participating teams.
- Achieved All India Rank 646 in JEE-ADVANCED 2022
- Achieved All India Rank 1030 in JEE-MAINS 2022

Publications & Pre Prints

 Viral Chitlangia, Mosuk Chow, Sharmishtha Mitra. "Swap Regression Methodology for Predicting Relationship with Historical Bivariate Data." arXiv preprint arXiv:2508.15479
 ☑, August 2025. Aug 2025

Projects

SWAP Regression | Prof. Sharmishta Mitra | IIT Kanpur

Nov '23 - Aug '25

- Analyzed the paper written by Mosuk Chow, Bing Li and Jackie Q. Xue, on ON REGRESSION FOR SAMPLES WITH ALTERNATING PREDICTORS AND ITS APPLI-CATION TO PSYCHROMETRIC CHARTS ☐ and developed models with alternating predictors on Bivariate Data using the method of SWAP Regression.
- Defined a new loss function for the **Swap Regression** model.
- Implemented ALT-OPT to solve the loss function.
- Implemented the model to test on real data as US Public Debt and GDP.
- Applied the model to predict the causality direction of US Public Debt and GDP without prior knowledge.

Digital Intervention for Loneliness | Prof. Suncica Hadzidedic | Durham University

May '24 - Ongoing

- Explored Reddit and Google to find relevant subreddits and apps which target loneliness.
- Scraped **Reddit**, **Google Play**, **Apple Play** and **A Lonely Life**(a loneliness forum), using relevant Python libraries, and Rvest(R), to collect text data on **loneliness**.
- Used **Topic Modelling** on the data collected to **cluster** the data into relevant topics, to realise what people are talking about online, to find out which areas of apps people would like to see an improvement in.

Deep Generative Models for Spatial-Temporal Data | Prof. Swapnil Mishra | NUS

- Working on using the technique to incorporate AggVAE with Population Disaggregation techniques to get good predictions using Low Resolutions data points.
- Implemented the model on **US Covid Data**, segregated by 9 Regions of the country.

Enveloping Techniques for Importance Sampling in MCMC | Prof. Dootika Vats | IIT Kanpur

Aug '25 - Ongoing

May '25 - Ongoing

- Understood the paper by Apartim Shukla, Dootika Vats and Eric C. Chi on MCMC
 Importance Sampling via Moreau-Yosida Envelopes ☑.
- Reading about various enveloping techniques in **optimization**.
- Understanding the properties of various envelopes, and their usability in sampling, especially **Importance Sampling**.

MCMC Machine Unlearning | Course Project | Prof. Dootika Vats | IIT Kanpur

- Jan '25 Apr '25
- Understood and Implemented the paper on Markov chain monte carlo-based machine unlearning: Unlearning what needs to be forgotten ☑ by QP Nguyen et al.
- Compared the algorithm with other prominent MCMC sampling algorithms with **Logistic** and **Negative Binomial** Regression data.

Other Experiences _____

Teaching Assistant | MTH 208 | Prof. Dootika Vats | IIT Kanpur

Aug '24 - Nov'24

- Assisted Professor Dootika Vats in teaching the Undergraduate and Postgraduate students enrolled in MTH 208 the basics of the R language.
- Got a hands on experience of teaching a class of enthusiastic students.

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, R, C, C++, \LaTeX

Softwares and Libraries: Matplotlib, Seaborn, Numpy, Pandas, Tensorflow, Librosa, Numpyro, Rvest, Tidyverse, GG-Plot2, Quarto, Shiny App

Relevant Courses

An Introduction to Bayesian Analysis*	Markov Chain Monte Carlo*
Probability Theory	Time Series Analysis
Introduction to Machine Learning*	Probabilistic Machine Learning
Data Structures & Algorithms	Theory of Statistics*
Elementary Stochastic Processes - I*	Elementary Stochastic Processes - II
Linear Regression & ANOVA*	Techniques in AI & Data Mining*
Multivariate Analysis	Real Analysis*

^{*:} Excellent Performance

Positions of Responsibilities _____

Coordinator, Stamatics Club Executive, Stamatics Club Oct '24 - Aug '25

Nov '23 - Oct '24