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Education

- 2019 - 2025 **Ph.D Thesis Defended on 20th June 2025. Indian Institute of Science.**
Area: Computational Finance.
Thesis title: *Mitigating Low-Sample Issues in Portfolio Analysis: Applications of Shrinkage and Gaussian Graphical Models*
Description: This work revolves around using Gaussian Graphical methods for developing portfolio optimization, factor modeling and multivariate GARCH models in low-sample regimes.
- 2017 - 2019 **M.A. Financial Economics, Madras School of Economics**
Thesis title: *Information Theoretic Ranking of Extreme Value Estimators.*
- 2014 - 2017 **B.Sc. Economics (H), University of Calcutta**
Thesis title: *Estimating the Environmental Kuznets Curve for the Indian Economy.*

Employment History

- December 2025 - **Quantitative Research Consultant** State Street Investment Management, Bengaluru.
- July 2025 - **Visiting Faculty** Madras School of Economics, Chennai.
- January 2025 - June 2025 **Quantitative Researcher** State Street Global Advisors (SSGA), Bengaluru.
- May 2018 - July 2018 **Analytics Intern** Wells Fargo EGS India, Bengaluru.

Research Publications

Journal Articles





- 1 S. Dutta and S. Jain, "Shrinkage and thresholding approaches for expected utility portfolios: An analysis in terms of predictive ability," *Finance Research Letters*, vol. 64, p. 105-126, 2024 (ABDC - A).
- 2 S. Dutta and P. Kayal, "Robust linear shrinkage estimator for highly volatile times," *Computational Economics*, pp. 1-27, 2025 (ABDC - B).
- 3 S. Dutta, P. Kayal, and G. Balasubramnaian, "Volatility spillover and directionality in cryptocurrency and metal markets," *Journal of Emerging Market Finance*, vol. 22, no. 4, pp. 464-485, 2023 (ABDC - B), Scopus - Q3.
- 4 P. Kayal and S. Dutta, "Regime switching and causal network analysis of cryptocurrency volatility: Evidence from pre-covid and post-covid analysis," *Digital Finance*, pp. 1-22, 2024, Scopus - Q2.
- 5 P. Kayal, S. Dutta, V. Khandelwal, and R. Nigam, "Information theoretic ranking of extreme value returns," *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, vol. 19, no. 1, pp. 1-21, 2021 (ABDC - B).
- 6 S. Dutta and S. Jain, "Enhancing portfolio performance: The efficacy of direct precision matrix estimation in low-sample setting," *Journal of Emerging Market Finance*, 2026, Forthcoming.
- 7 P. Reddy, S. Dutta, and P. Kayal, "Core: A climate and energy integrated risk contribution framework for the oecd and its subgroups," *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*, 2026, Forthcoming. [DOI: 10.1016/j.strueco.2026.04.003](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.strueco.2026.04.003).

- 8 S. Dutta, R. Bhansali, and P. Kayal, "Energy market dynamics and clean energy investments," *Development and Sustainability in Economics and Finance*, p. 100 049, 2025.




Conference Proceedings

- 1 S. Valivati, S. Dutta, S. Jain, and P. B.S, "Pca and mle-based statistical factor models for asset pricing," in *2023 International Conference on Network, Multimedia and Information Technology (NMITCON)*, 2023, pp. 1–7. [DOI: 10.1109/NMITCON58196.2023.10275785](https://doi.org/10.1109/NMITCON58196.2023.10275785).




Skills

- Coding  R, Python.
- Quantitative Skills  Probabilistic Graphical Modeling, Time Series Analysis, Machine Learning, Panel Data Econometrics.
- Skills in Finance  Portfolio Optimization, Volatility Modeling, Asset Pricing, Climate Finance.
- Languages Known  English, Hindi, Bengali and Sanskrit.

Working Papers

- 2024  **Low Sample Statistical Factor Modelling for Asset Pricing** with *Shashi Jain*. **Status** - Submitted.
-  **The DCPM-GARCH Approach for Large Dimensional Inverse Covariance Matrices** with *Shashi Jain*. **Status** - Submitted.
- 2025  **ADMM-based Sparse Index Tracking for Equity Portfolios** with *Alexander Rudin*. **Status** - Writing.

Awards and Achievements

- 2018  **UGC-JRF Fellowship in Economics**, Awarded in December 2018.
- 2020  **Prime Minister's Research Fellowship (PMRF)**, Awarded with the PMRF, a prestigious research fellowship initiated by the Government of India.
- 2024  **Best Paper Award**, International Finance Conference 2024, XLRI.

References

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Dr Prantik Bagchi, Assistant Professor, *Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur*
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