

Partha Niyogi was born July 31, 1967, in Calcutta (Kolkata), India. As a child he lived in Bombay (Mumbai), where he developed a passionate interest in cricket.

He received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology in New Delhi, India, in 1989. His undergraduate thesis on automatic recognition of beats on the tabla led him to the study of perception, recognition and learning, as well as acoustics, music and language. He earned his master's degree in 1992 and his doctorate in 1995 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he interacted with computer scientists, linguists and cognitive scientists.

Partha met Parvati Krishnamurty in 1993, and they were married on November 24, 1995.

He served for a year as a postdoctoral fellow and research associate in MIT's Brain and Cognitive Science Department, and then joined the technical staff at Bell Laboratories in Murray Hill, N.J.

Niyogi joined the UChicago faculty in 2000 and was named the Louis Block Professor in Computer Science in 2009. His research spanned the areas of data analysis, speech recognition, language learning and language evolution.

Partha is survived by his wife Parvati, an economist at the National Opinion Research Center; their twin sons, Nikhil and Kabir Niyogi; his parents, Ranjit and Prabhati Niyogi; and his brother, Siddhartha Niyogi.

## IN MEMORIAM

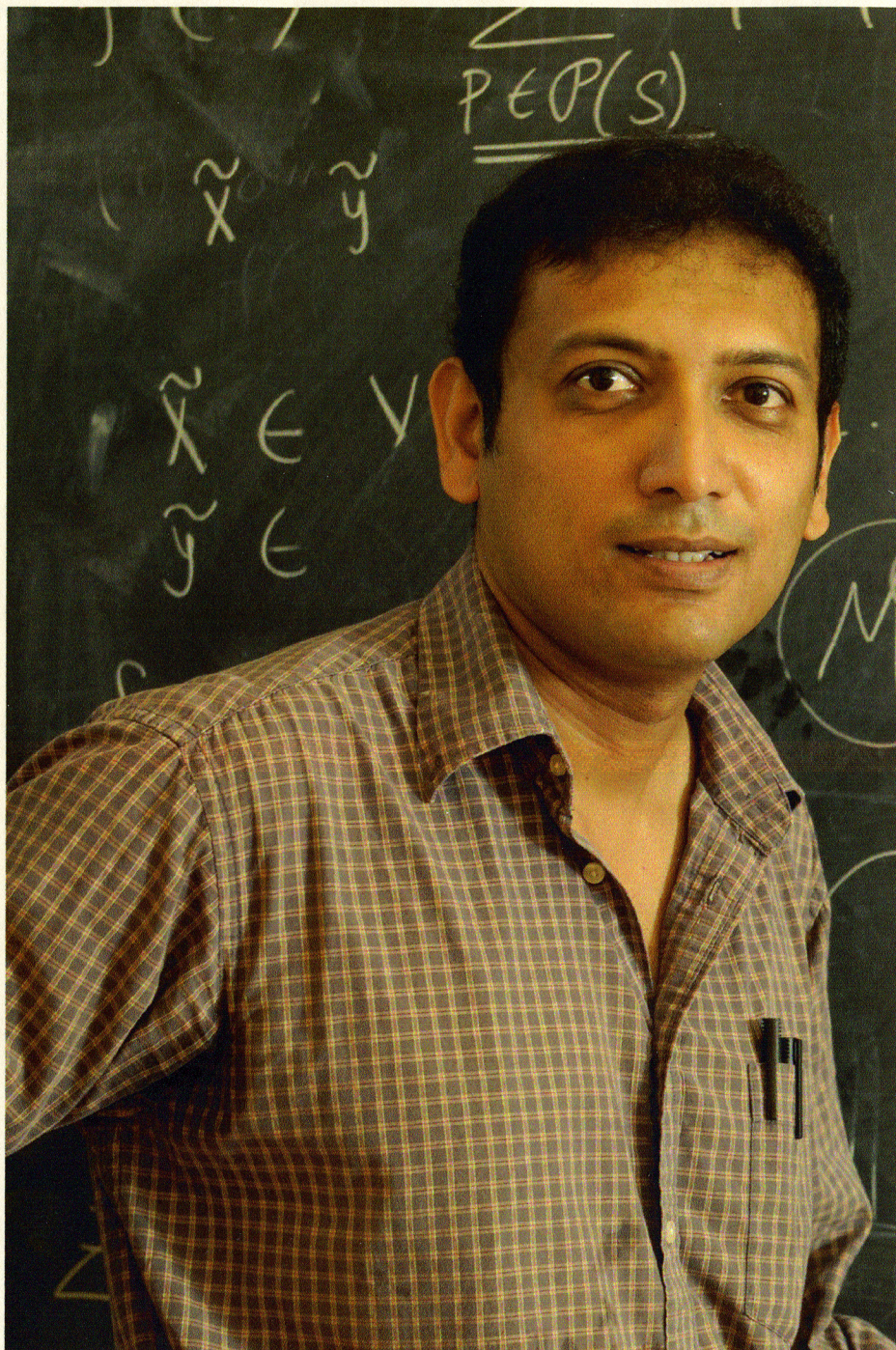


## PARTHA NIYOGI

July 31, 1967 – October 1, 2010

Bond Chapel  
University of Chicago  
October 30, 2010  
2:00 pm





**John Goldsmith**  
*Chairman, Department of Computer Science*

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**Runi Krishnamurty**  
*Friend and Sister-in-Law*

**László Babai**  
*Professor, Dept of Computer Science*

**Ketan Mulmuley**  
*Professor, Department of Computer Science*

**Irena Matveeva**  
*Dieselpoint*

**Parvati Krishnamurty** - Closing Remarks  
 Reception in the Commons Room following the service.