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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a Ph. D. student in Physics at Banaras Hindu University, specializing in quantum optics, quantum metrology, and non-linear optics. My research focuses on enhancing the sensitivity of interferometric measurements using quantum states of light. I have collaborated with leading research groups at the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Light and the University of Hamburg, gaining expertise in theoretical quantum optics and a basic understanding of experimental aspects in the interferometric field. I aim to contribute to cutting-edge research in quantum technologies and mentor the next generation of scientists.

EDUCATION

- **Ph. D. in Physics** 2019 to present
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-221005, India [Thesis is submitted and completion is expected by mid-2025]
- **Master of Science (Physics)** Percentage: 78.85
University of Allahabad, Prayagraj-211002, India 2018
- **Bachelor of Science (Physics, Mathematics)** Percentage: 64.72
VBS Purvanchal University (TDPG College), Jaunpur-222003, India 2016

KEY PUBLICATIONS

- D. Yadav, **G. Shukla**, P. Sharma, and D. K. Mishra, “Quantum-enhanced super-sensitivity of Mach-Zehnder interferometer using squeezed Kerr state”, [APL Quantum](#) **1** (1) 016104 (2024).
- **G. Shukla**, K. M. Mishra, A. K. Pandey, T. Kumar, H. Pandey and D. K. Mishra, “Improvement in phase-sensitivity of a Mach-Zehnder interferometer with the superposition of Schrödinger’s cat-like state with vacuum state as an input under parity measurement”, [Opt. Quant. Electron.](#) **55**, 460 (2023).
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- P. Sharma, A. Kumar, **Gaurav Shukla**, D. K. Mishra, “Optimizing phase sensitivity of Mach-Zehnder interferometer having superposition of coherent state with single-photon-added coherent state”, [Physics Letters A](#), **543**, 130459 (2025).
- T. Kumar, **G. Shukla**, and D. K. Mishra, “Enhancement in Sensitivity of Coherent Anti-Stokes Raman Spectroscopy via $SU(1,1)$ Interferometry”, [Appl. Phys. B](#) **131**, 25 (2025).
- P. Sharma, A. K. Pandey, **G. Shukla**, and D. K. Mishra, “Enhancement in phase sensitivity of $SU(1,1)$ interferometer with Kerr state seeding”, [Optics Communications](#), **573**, 131028 (2024).
- D. Yadav, **G. Shukla**, P. Sharma, and D. K. Mishra, “Quantum-enhanced super-sensitivity of Mach-Zehnder interferometer using squeezed Kerr state”, [APL Quantum](#) **1** (1) 016104 (2024).
- **G. Shukla**, D. Yadav, A. Kumar, and D. K. Mishra, “Quantum sub-phase sensitivity of a Mach-Zehnder interferometer with the superposition of Schrödinger’s cat-like state with vacuum state as an input under product detection measurement”, [Physics Open](#) **18**, 100200 (2024).
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- D. Yadav, K. K. Mishra, **G. Shukla**, and D. K. Mishra, “Enhancement of amplitude-squared squeezing of light with the $SU(3)$ multiport beam splitters”, *Opt. Quant. Electron.* **53**, 133 (2021).
- K. K. Mishra, D. Yadav, **G. Shukla**, and D. K. Mishra, “Non-classicalities exhibited by the superposition of Schrödinger’s cat state with the vacuum of the optical field”, *Physica Scripta* **96**, 045102 (2021).
- K. K. Mishra, **G. Shukla**, D. Yadav, and D. K. Mishra, “Generation of sum- and difference-squeezing by the beam splitter having third-order nonlinear material”, *Opt. Quant. Electron.* **52**, 186 (2020).

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Max-Planck Institute for the Science of Light, Staudtstr. 2, D-91058** December 1st to 22nd, 2019
Visited as a Ph. D. student in the laboratory of Dr. Maria Chekhova Erlangen, Germany
- **Max-Planck Institute for the Science of Light, Staudtstr. 2, D-91058** January 7th to February 14th, 2022
Visited as a Ph. D. student in the laboratory of Dr. Maria Chekhova Erlangen, Germany
- **University of Hamburg, Luruper Chaussee 149, D-22761** August 1st, 2023 to January 31st, 2024
Visited as a Ph. D. student in the Dr. Frank Schlawin’s group Hamburg, Germany

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python

Software: Mathematica, MATLAB, LaTeX

ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS

- **GATE-19 (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering-19)** qualified in PHYSICS with GATE score 387 conducted by Indian Institute of Technology Madras, India in 2019.
- **Rs. 84000/- Incentive to the Research Scholars** (August 2022 and April 2024) for publishing research papers in Q1/Q2 journals. Initiated by the Institutes of Eminence (IoE) cell, Banaras Hindu University.
- **First prize** in the poster competition in “7th Institute Day Celebration” held at the Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi on December 14, 2022.
- **International Visiting Student Program** (6 months fellowship amount \$1800/- (USD) per month). Initiated by the Institutes of Eminence (IoE) cell, Banaras Hindu University.

REFERENCES

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