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RESEARCH INTERESTS

To a large extent, my interests revolve around two broad fields; **Quantum Computing** and **Cosmology**.

I am interested in the design and implementation of *Spin Qubits* in solid state quantum systems. So far, my experience in Quantum Computing has been inclined towards instrumentation involved in measurement and data acquisition.

I am also interested in Cosmology, especially *Models of Inflation* trying to explain how the early expansion of the universe led to the formation of structure as well as the homogeneity on large scales.

EDUCATION

 Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay Major: Bachelor of Technology in Engineering Physics with Honors 	(Nov'20-Present) GPA: 9.42/10
 People's Education Society Jr. College XII Grade [Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics & Computer Science] 	(May'18-Jun'20) 95.23 %
D.A.V. Public SchoolX Grade	(Apr'18) 97.6 %

KEY PROJECTS

RF Pulse Engineering (Jun'22-Present)

Guide: Prof. Suddhasatta Mahapatra, IIT Bombay

QCoDeS is an open source Python-based data acquisition framework developed by the **Copenhagen/ Delft/ Sydney/ Microsoft quantum computing** consortium, made to facilitate measurements in nanoelectronics.

- Developing drivers using QCoDeS to control an Arbitrary Waveform Generator, a Vector Signal Generator, and associated equipment to engineer **Radio Frequency pulses** for quantum control of **spin qubits**.
- Studied sensing and measurement techniques used for quantum control of spin qubits in **Quantum-Dots** fabricated in Silicon hetero-structures at the Silicon Quantum Computing (QSi) lab at IIT Bombay.
- Built an Analog circuit using Op-Amps that mimics the current $\{I_{SD}(V_{G1},V_{G2})\}$ map through a **Single Electron Transistor** capacitively coupled to two plunger gates on a larger voltage scale.

Models of Inflation | Research Project

(Nov'21-Present)

Guide: Prof. Vikram Rentala, IIT Bombay

- Research project studying the different **Models of Inflation** which explain how **quantum fluctuations** in the very early, near homogeneous universe grew to form the large scale structure we see today.
- Current focus of the project is on studying Cosmological Inflation and re-deriving results from the **T.A.S.I.** (Theoretical Advanced Study Institute) **lectures on Cosmology** by Daniel Baumann (*Jul 2009*).
- Read up on all relevant topics in **General Relativity** and **Physical Cosmology** with *Spacetime and Geometry* (by Sean Carroll) and *Modern Cosmology* (by Scott Dodelson) as the primary reference books.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant | PH-108 | PH107

(Mar'21-Jul'22) | (Nov'21-Mar'22)

Physics Department, IIT Bombay

Fulfilled the duty of **tutoring**, **solving doubts and grading quizzes** for freshmen year courses. Conducted weekly tutorials to discuss problem sets and provided general course work related guidance.

- Tutored a batch of 45 students for the 1^{st} year course PH-108, Basics of Electricity and Magnetism.
- Tutored a batch of 45 students for the 1^{st} year course PH-107, Quantum Physics and Applications.

Summer of Science Mentor

(May'22-Jul'22)

Maths and Physics Club, IIT Bombay

- Guided students for the research based reading project on the topics of Cosmology and Dark Matter.
- Provided resources for learning basics of Cosmology and helped with topic related doubts whenever required.
- Reviewed the final reports and video explanation about the project submitted by the students.

OTHER PROJECTS

Data Analysis of High Energy p-p Collisions | Course Project

(Sep'21-Nov'21)

Prof. Sadhana Dash, IIT Bombay | PH219: Data Analysis and Interpretation

- Analyzed and interpreted data consisting of 4 million observations of high energy (Center of Mass Energy \sim 13 Tev) proton-proton collisions generated using **PYTHIA 8 Monte Carlo** event generator.
- Studied the relationship between net-charge fluctuation and multiplicity by analyzing and plotting μ (mean), σ (std deviation) and $\frac{\sigma^2}{\mu}$ of net-charge fluctuations using **ROOT Cern** data analysis software.

Huffman Coding | Course Project

(Feb'22-Apr'22)

Prof. Maniraj Mahalingam, IIT Bombay | EE224: Digital Systems

Huffman coding is a **lossless data compression** algorithm that assigns variable length codes to different characters based on the frequency of occurrence as compared to constant length of conventional ASCII.

- Designed an easily extensible **digital circuit** using a collection of both **sequential and combinations** logic elements that can perform compression using Huffman coding for a message consisting of 3 letters.
- Used components like **logic-gates**, **flip-flops**, registers, counters, and memory elements working in sync with a system clock.

Nonlinear Dynamics in Biological Co-evolution | Course Project

(Sep'21-Nov'21)

Prof. Amitabha Nandi, IIT Bombay | PH567: Nonlinear Dynamics

- Analyzed, interpreted, and recreated results of a paper on the application of the **Replicator Equations** in studying nonlinear behaviour and **Bifurcation Theory** for biological co-evolution of three species.
- Simulated the nonlinear **Phase Space** behaviour of the three co-evolving species populations using numerical methods to solve the replicator equations (differential equations) and plotted it using **Python**.

The Gaia Theory | Course Project

(Aug'21-Sep'21)

Prof. Kiran Kondabagil, IIT Bombay | BB647: Introduction to Evolutionary Biology

- Studied the modern version of the **Gaia Theory** and topics from **System Sciences** which are crucial to understand a planet's atmospheric and surface phenomenon, especially those affecting Earth ecosystems.
- Reviewed scientific papers on theories suggesting possible bottlenecks faced for evolution of life on a planet, focusing on the novel **Gaia Bottleneck Hypothesis**, seeking the answer to Fermi's Paradox.

Electronics Projects | Lab Courses

Physics Department, IIT Bombay

• Designed, Simulated and Physically implemented several circuits including Op-Amp based filters, Oscillators, PID Controllers, Amplifiers and Finite State Machine Implementations.

General Theory of Relativity | Reading Project

(May'21-July'21)

Maths and Physics club, IIT Bombay | Summer of Science

• Completed a reading project (and report) on Einstein's **General Theory of Relativity** studying the fundamentals of Riemannian Geometry, Tensor Algebra, Gravitation and exploring Inflationary Cosmology.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

 Currently 	Department rank 6 out	of 66 students	in Engineering Physics batch of 2024.	(Jul'22)
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• Secured All India Rank 612 out of 250,000 candidates in JEE-Advanced 2020. (Oct'20)

• Secured **99.87 Percentile** out of 0.87 million candidates in **JEE-Main 2020**. (Sep'20)

• Selected for Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (**KVPY**) fellowship in SX catagory, provided by IISc, ranking in the **Top 1.36**% out of 0.97 million candidates. (Apr'20)

KEY COURSES UNDERTAKEN

Physics: Basics of Electricity & Magnetism; Classical Mechanics; Quantum Mechanics - I, II*, III*;

Waves, Oscillations and Optics; Non-linear Dynamics; General Relativity; Photonics*; Group Theory*

Data Analysis: Data Analysis and Interpretation

Electronics: Introduction to Electronics; Analog Circuits Lab; Digital Systems; Digit Electronics Lab;

Microprocessors Lab*

Mathematics: Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Complex Analysis, Numerical Analysis

Programming: Computer Programming and Utilization

(*) Courses to be completed by Nov'22

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: C, C++, Python (incl. packages like scipy, einsteinpy, etc.), HTML, QCoDeS Technical Software: MATLAB, Mathematica, ROOT-Cern, 上TFX, Autocad, SolidWorks, Photoshop

Spoken Languages: English, Hindi, Gujarati, Marathi

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- · Regularly play Squash and participated in NSO sports in my freshman year.
- Secured **2nd** position among multiple participating schools from all over Thane, in Inter School Quiz Competition conducted by **Rotary Club** of Thane Lake City (2017-18).
- Taekwondo Poom Black Belt certificate received from the World Taekwondo federation.
 - Participated in several Tournaments winning a Silver in state level S.F.A (2016), Bronze in the 4th Invitational Kudo Championship (2012) among others.
- Secured **A grade** in both the Elementary and Intermediate Examinations conducted by the Art Directorate of the Government of Maharashtra.

(May'21-Present)