Aditya Vijaykumar

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Gravitational Wave Astronomy and Astrophysics, Tests of General Relativity and Cosmology, Scientific Reserach

Interests Computing

EDUCATION International Centre for Theoretical Sciences (ICTS-TIFR), Bengaluru

Research Scholar and Graduate Student in Physics

2018 - Present

Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani

M.Sc. (Hons.) Physics and B.E. (Hons.) Mechanical Engineering

2013 - 2018

EMPLOYMENT Graduate Student

International Centre for Theoretical Sciences (ICTS-TIFR), Bengaluru

Mentored by Prof. Parameswaran Ajith

Aug 2018 - Present

Member of the LIGO Scientific Collaboration and the LIGO-India Scientific Collaboration

Summer Research Intern

International Centre for Theoretical Sciences (ICTS-TIFR), Bengaluru

Mentored by Prof. Parameswaran Ajith

May 2018 - July 2018

Topic - Cosmological Large-scale Structure probes using gravitational-wave observations

Visiting Student (Masters Thesis)

Centre for High Energy Physics (CHEP), Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, India

Mentored by Prof. Chethan Krishnan

July 2017 - April 2018

Topic - Complexity in context of Locality, Entanglement and Quantum Gravity

Summer Research Intern

The Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), Pune, India

Mentored by Prof. Raghunathan Srianand

May 2016 - July 2016

Topic - Analysis of Quasar Absorption Lines from SDSS Photometric Data

Summer Research Intern

The National Centre for Radio Astrophysics (NCRA-TIFR), Pune, India

Mentored by Prof. Yashwant Gupta

May 2015 - July 2015

Topic - Testing and Debugging the Transient Detection Pipeline of GMRT

Publications

2. Aditya Vijaykumar, Shasvath J. Kapadia, Parameswaran Ajith

Constraints on the time variation of the gravitational constant using gravitational wave observations of binary neutron stars,

To be submitted to *Physical Review Letters*, arXiv:2003.12832.

1. P. Virtanen et al. (incl. Aditya Vijaykumar as SciPy 1.0 Contributor) SciPy 1.0-Fundamental Algorithms for Scientific Computing in Python, Nat Methods 17, 261272 (2020), arXiv:1907.10121.

SCHOOLS AND Talks

- Conferences, Poster titled Constraints on Black Hole Mimickers using GWTC-1 at ICTS In-house Symposium, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, February 2020
 - Talk titled Probing Large Scale Structure using Binary Black Hole Observations at ICTS In-house Symposium, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, February 2020
 - Participant, Discussion Meeting Astrophysics of Supermassive Black Holes, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, December 2019
 - Invited outreach talk titled The Whats, Whys and Hows of Gravitational-wave Astronomy, BMS College of Engineering, Bengaluru, November 2019
 - Participant, Discussion Meeting Future of Gravitational Wave Astronomy, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, August 2019

- Talk titled Probing Large Scale Structure using Binary Black Hole Observations at The Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), Pune, India, September 2019
- Outreach talk titled Gravitational Waves A New Tool for Cosmology! at Vigyan Samagam, Visvesvaraya Industrial and Technological Museum, Bengaluru, India, August 2019
- Participant and Tutor for the Advanced General Relativity mini-course, ICTS Summer School on Gravitational Wave Astronomy, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, July 2019
- Talk titled *Probing Large Scale Structure using Binary Black Hole Observations* at **GR22 and Amaldi13**, Valencia, Spain, July 2019
- Talk titled Probing Large Scale Structure using Binary Black Hole Observations at Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics, Hannover, Germany, June 2019
- Participant, ICTS Summer School on Gravitational Wave Astronomy, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, July 2018
- Participant, ICTS Summer School on Gravitational Wave Astronomy, ICTS, Bengaluru, India, July 2017
- Talk titled Gravitational Lensing from Orbiting Binary at the Paper Presentation competition of APOGEE 2017, BITS Pilani, India (First runner-up)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages - Python, C, C++, Shell Script Softwares - MATLAB, Mathematica Tools/Frameworks - LATEX, Git

Scores and Awards

- Scored 960/990 on the Subject GRE in Physics, October 2017
- Secured all-India rank 21 in the Joint Entrance Screening Test (JEST), 2018 for admission into Physics PhD programmes in India
- Awarded the ICTS S.N. Bhatt Memorial Excellence Fellowship, 2018
- Selected for the Summer Research Fellowship of the Indian Academy of Sciences in 2016
- Recepient of the INSPIRE-DST Scholarship for Higher Education for the period 2013 to 2018