

Third-Year Ph.D. Candidate, School of Computer and Communication Sciences, EPFL [🔗](#)

Research Interests

Information and coding theory and its applications to **security**, **learning** and **communication**

Education

EPFL, *Ph.D. in Computer and Communication Sciences*

Lausanne, Switzerland

Advisor: Prof. Emre Telatar

Sep. 2022–Present

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, *B.Tech. in Electrical Engineering*

Mumbai, India

With Honors in Electrical Engineering and Minor in Mathematics; CGPA: 9.60/10

Jul. 2018–May 2022

Selected Publications

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Conference proceedings

- F. Z. Faizal, **A. G.**, M. K. Hanawal, and N. Karamchandani, “ICQ: A quantization scheme for best-arm identification over bit-constrained channels,” in *International Symposium on Modeling and Optimization in Mobile, Ad Hoc, and Wireless Networks (WiOpt)*, 2023 [🔗](#)

Workshop papers

- A. G.***, A. Nagle*, M. Bondaschi, M. Gastpar, A. V. Makkuva, and H. Kim, “Fundamental limits of prompt compression: A rate-distortion framework for black-box language models,” in *ICML Workshop on Theoretical Foundations of Foundation Models (TF2M)*, 2024 [🔗](#) [Oral, top 4 of 58]
- A. V. Makkuva*, M. Bondaschi*, C. Ekbote, **A. G.**, A. Nagle, H. Kim, and M. Gastpar, “Local to global: Learning dynamics and effect of initialization for transformers,” in *ICML Workshop on Theoretical Foundations of Foundation Models (TF2M)*, 2024 [🔗](#)

Awards and Academic Achievements

- Grade 6.0 (exceptional performance, over 95%) in five courses at EPFL [2022–present]
- IITB Institute Academic Prize for being the second-best academic performer in the EE department [2020–21]
- IITB Undergraduate Research Award (URA01) for work in radar signal processing [2020]
- AP grades (top 2%) in Digital Communications, Data Analysis at IITB [2021, 2019]
- Urvish Medh Memorial Prize for being the highest-ranked student in the EE department at IITB [2018]
- All-India Ranks of 43 in JEE (Advanced) and 55 in JEE (Main) [2018]
- Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) fellowship from IISc following an All-India Rank of 35 [2016]

Teaching, Mentoring and Service

- Reviewer for conferences and workshops: ICML NCW '23, ISIT '24 [2023–present]
- Teaching Assistant for Principles of Digital Communications, Information Theory and Coding at EPFL [2022–present]
- RAMP Mentor for EPFL PhD applicants, EPIC buddy for admitted PhD students at EPFL [2023–present]
- Summer of Science mentor at IITB for signal processing, coding theory, information theory, probability [2020–24]
- Teaching Assistant for undergraduate calculus and electromagnetism courses at IITB (4 times) [2019–22]
- Institute Student Mentor for first-year undergraduates at IITB [2021–22]
- Class Representative for the 2018–22 B.Tech. in EE batch at IITB [2018–19]