# GANESH PAWAR

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# EDUCATION

## Department of Physics, University of Mumbai, India

Master of Science, Physics

CGPA 7.63/10.00

Aug. 2018 - Oct. 2020

## K. J. Somaiya College of Science and Commerce, Mumbai, India

Bachelor of Science, Physics

CGPA 5.58/7.00

Jul. 2015 - May 2018

#### Appointments

# Visiting Project Student

February, 2021 – June, 2021

Aryabhatta Research Institute of observational sciencES (ARIES)

## Research Experience

# i. Stellar activity of 'B, A and F' type stars.

February, 2021 – Present

ARIES, India

- TESS Lightcurve Data is used to generate clean lightcurves with 5-sigma clipping to remove the jumps and outliers and the LombScargle algorithm were used to find the dominating pulsating frequencies.
- I have reduced the spectroscopic data taken from 2.0-m IUCAA Girawali Observatory by writing a python script to study variations in Equivalent Widths and I am using synthetic spectrum to find projected rotational velocity.

## ii. Observation of Stellar occultations by an Asteroid.

February, 2019 – June, 2020

Akashmitra Mandal, India

As a part of the team, I have observed and reduced the lightcurves of 15 Stellar occultations out of which 9 positive events were reported to International Occultation Timing Association.

# iii. Differential photometry of the Narrow line Seyfert-I galaxy 1H 0323+342

March, 2019

ARIES, India

I have cleaned the data for systemic noise and performed aperture photometry using IRAF. To find the variability, the target's magnitude is subtracted with the reference stars.

# iv. DSLR photometry of a $\delta$ Scuti variable star.

December, 2017

Akashmitra Mandal. India

A High Amplitude  $\delta$  Scuti star, AD CMi was observed for 3 hours using 20 cm aperture reflector telescope and with a standard Canon DSLR camera. The time-series data was submitted to AAVSO and its period was deduce to 2.513 hr.

#### M.Sc. Project

# X-Ray study of Active Galactic Nuclei.

August, 2019 – August, 2020

Department of Physics, University of Mumbai

- I have surveyed the available data for AGN of various classes from Chandra Data Archive.
- I obtained X-ray data from the Chandra Data Archive. I extracted X-ray spectra and pre-processed using Chandra Interactive Analysis of Observations (CIAO) tool. Also, I integrated the work flow by writing a script and corrected them for the red-shift.
- I found common features which are visible from the spectrum and studied the atomic radiative and collisional processes which lead to emission of X-rays in astrophysical sources.

## Observing Runs

Rotational state of the elusive Lucy targets, 2-m Himalayan Chandra Telescope (HCT),

cycle: HCT-2020-C3, as Co-I. PI: Prof. N. M. Ashok.

Stellar occultations by Dwarf Planets, TNOs and Centaurs, 3.6-m Devasthal Optical Telescope (DOT),

cycle: DOT-2020-C2, as Co-I. PI: Prof. N. M. Ashok.

Stellar occultations by Pluto, 3.6-m DOT, 1.3-m Devasthal Fast Optical Telescope & 2-m HCT,

cycle: Director's Discretionary Time-2020, as Co-I. PI: Prof. N. M. Ashok.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Pluto's Atmosphere in Plateau Phase Since 2015 from a Stellar Occultation at Devasthal Sicardy, B., Ashok, N. M., Tej, A., Pawar, G., et al. 2021, ApJL, 923, L31.

LAMOST J045019.27 + 394758.7: with peculiar abundances of N, Na, V, Zn a likely Sculptor dwarf galaxy escapee

Purandardas, M., Goswami, A., Sonamben, M., Pawar, G., et al., MNRAS, submitted with revision.

Measurements of 60 Double Star Systems Using a Small Telescope and Four Different Methods Deshmukh, S., Deshpande, A., Pawar, G., et al. 2019, Journal of Double Star Observations, 15, 1, p. 193.

# Workshops/Schools

CHEOPS Science Workshop-VI, CHEOPS Consortium	January 11-13, 2022
Heidelberg Summer School 2021: Stellar Ecosystems, IMPRS-HD	September 13-17, 2021
TESS Science Conference-II, MIT	August 2-6, 2021
PHysics Of Eclipsing BinariEs Virtual Workshop, PHOEBE	June, 2021
AAVSO Spectroscopy Workshop, AAVSO	November 6-8, 2020
Regional Astronomy Meeting-VI: Opportunities and Challenges, <i>IUCAA</i>	July 9-10, 2020
CHOICE Course: How to use VStar, AAVSO	June, 2020
CHOICE Course: Exoplanet Observing, AAVSO	May, 2020
Gravitational-Wave Open Data Workshop 3, GWOSC	May 26-28, 2020
ARIES Training School in Observational Astronomy(ATSOA), ARIES	March, 2019
IAPT Summer School: Theoretical Physics, IAPT	April, 2017
Certificate Course: Astronomy and Astrophysics, Centre for Extra-Mural Studies	2015

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Bash, C++, Python and ADQL.Operating System: Linux and Windows.Plotting Software: GNUPlot and OriginLab.

Image Overlay software: Aladin, Limovie and SAO Image DS9.

Data reduction software: AstroImageJ, CIAO, IRAF, IRIS, iSpec, PYOTE, TOPCAT and VStar.

Libraries: astropy, astroquery, emcee, lightkurve, matplotlib, numpy, and pandas.

Other:  $\LaTeX$  and Microsoft Office.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Asteroid Search Campaign by IASC: Participated in an asteroid search campaign held by International Astronomical Search Collaboration, 2020.

Volunteer for CERN at Vigyan Samagam: Volunteered for the CERN exhibits during the Vigyan Samagam mega science exhibition in Mumbai, 2019.

Hobbies and Activities: Watching Sci-Fi movies, reading science blogs, travelling, trekking, playing football and member of Akashmitra Mandal, Kalyan (Amateur Astronomers' Organization).

#### References

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