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education

2012–2016	Bachelor of Science Biology Major with Mathematics Minor	Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
2012	12th Grade Science Stream	KVN Naik College, Nashik
2010	10th Grade Matriculation	JDC Bytco High School, Nashik

major achievements

2012	Silver Medal at International Biology Olympiad	Singapore, Singapore
2011	Silver Medal at International Biology Olympiad	Taipei, Taiwan
2010	Silver Medal at International Astronomy Olympiad	Crimea, Ukraine

research experience

2015 – 2016	Bachelors thesis: Making a realistic model CA1 Pyramidal Neuron in MOOSE	NCBS, Bangalore
	Guide : Prof. Upinder S Bhalla, NCBS, Bangalore	
	Coming up with a distribution ion channels for the CA1 Pyramidal neurons which has realistic behavior for different morphologies. All coding in MOOSE	
2014	Finding network topologies which show adaptation response	NCBS, Bangalore
	Guide : Dr. Sandeep Krishna, NCBS, Bangalore	
	Modelled a general three node gene/protein network using a system of differential equations and simulated it. The aim was to find the topologies which show the adaptation response.	
2013	Modelling of High Energy Cosmic Ray Spectrum	HBCSE, Mumbai
	Guide : Prof. Mayank Vahia, TIFR, Mumbai	
	Explored the effect of magnetic field on cosmic rays produced inside galaxies and proposed an explanation the features of cosmic ray spectrum. Tried to explain galactic X-Ray halos using these cosmic rays.	
2013	Lab techniques for isolation and purification of proteins	IISc Bangalore
	Guide : Prof. V. Nagaraja, IISc, Bangalore	
	Learned various lab techniques like PAGE, various types of chromatography and Genereal techniques in microbiology.	
2012	Constraining Dark Energy Parameters using Supernova-1a data	IISER, Mohali
	Guide : Prof H.K. Jassal, IISER Mohali	
	Understood standard cosmology, obtained constraints on dark energy parameters of the standard model and evaluated different cosmological models by comparing with SN1A data(Union Supernova Project).	
2012	Karyotyping for screening of chromosomal abnormalities	Genetic Health & Research Centre, Nasik
	Guide : Dr. Dnyandeo Chopade, Genetic Health & Research Centre, Nasik	
	Mastered the basics of Karyotyping. Learned to make karyotypes from blood and from chorionic villi. Apprenticed for detection of defects in chromosomes in the karyotypes.	
2011	A stacking analysis of radio properties of photometrically selected quasars	NCRA, Pune
	Guide : Dr. Yogesh Wadadekar, NCRA, Pune	
	Analysed the radio properties of 1 million quasars found by SDSS photometrically. Correlated the optical data to radio data and did statistics on radio image stacks of quasars.	

- 2010 **Effect of metallicity on the evolution of stellar populations** NCRA, Pune
 Guide : Dr. Yogesh Wadadekar, NCRA, Pune
 Studied the effects of changes in metallicity of a nebula upon the evolution of clusters of stars within it.
- 2009 **Study of Irregularities in the Spiral Structure of M101** HBCSE, Mumbai
 Guide : Prof. Mayank Vahia, TIFR, Mumbai
 Analysed the spiral structure of M101 Pinwheel galaxy, examined the irregularities and proposed explanations for them.

course projects

- 2015 **Analysis of Dendritic transmission** Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience
 Prof. Rishikesh Narayanan and Prof. SP Arun, IISc Bangalore
 Using a realistic detailed neuronal model, studied dendritic transmission and computation. Using only poisson input and corresponding output spike trains, calculated time for dendritic transmission, and after correcting for this delay, analyzed synaptic processing using K-means clustering and mutual information.
- 2014 **Spatial Dynamics of Sympatric Speciation** Theoretical and Mathematical Ecology
 Prof. Vishweshha Guttal, IISc Bangalore
 Studied spatial dynamics of sympatric speciation due to disruptive selection. Reproduced some of the results in “Speciation along environmental gradients” by Michael Doebeli and Ulf Dieckmann.
- 2014 **Leeches: Animal movements and random walks** Experiment in Ecology
 Dr. Farah Ishtiaq, IISc Bangalore
 Explored how the leeches could be locating their prey in absence of stimulus. Found that the leeches perform a correlated random walk, which emulates a Levy random walk.
- 2014 **Comparing Weiner chaos decomposition and Monte Carlo methods for solving stochastic differential equations.** Introduction to Scientific Computing
 Prof. S. Raha, IISc Bangalore
 Used Weiner Chaos Decomposition and Monte Carlo method to find the solutions of a system of stochastic differential equations numerically. Compared the accuracy of and the time taken by these methods.
- 2014 **Sexual Selection with a Two Locus Model** Theoretical and Mathematical Ecology
 Prof. Vishweshha Guttal, IISc Bangalore
 Modelled the effects of sexual selection on two loci in haploid and diploid systems analytically and other complex cases. Studied the equilibria of the system and determined their stability. Analysed the dynamics of invasion of one genotype by another.

programming and computers

Common programming

C, R, Python, MATLAB, \LaTeX , shell/bash, linux.

Neuroscience related

MOOSE, NEURON, BRIAN

camps and workshops attended

2015	Computational Approaches to Memory and Plasticity	NCBS, Bangalore
	16-day summer school on the theory and simulation of learning, memory and plasticity in the brain.	
2014	Physics of Life, NCBS-Simons Annual Monsoon School	NCBS, Bangalore
	Topics included: biophysics and soft-matter physics; information processing and decision making; stochastic processes in molecules or populations; dynamical systems models of genetic networks or biomechanical systems.	
2011, 2012	Vijyoshi Camp	IISc, Bangalore
	Similar to Lindau Meet with Noble Laureates for students. For top ≈ 600 science students across India	

other notable achievements

2011	Selected as a member of Indian team for International Earth Science Olympiad	Modena, Italy
	One of top 4 from India to get selected.	
2011 – pres	Recipient of KVPY (Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana) Scholarship	
	Awarded to the top 200 science students from India each year.	
2009 – 2011	Recipient of NTSE (National Talent Search Exam) Scholarship	
	Awarded to the top 1000 students from India each year.	
2013	Won MIMAMSA, a national inter-college science quiz	IISER, Pune
	Qualified for the final quiz from amongst more than 100 teams and WON the 14 hours long quiz.	

relevant courses [grad level]

biology

- Topics in Systems Neuroscience
- Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience
- Theoretical and Mathematical Ecology
- Spatial Dynamics in Biology
- Cellular Neurophysiology
- Fundamentals of Systems and Cognitive Neuroscience
- Fundamentals of Molecular and Cellular Neuroscience

mathematics

- Stochastic Processes [martingales and brownian motion]
- Probability Theory [measure theoretic]
- Measure theory
- Algebra
- Topology
- Linear Algebra
- Real Analysis

engineering

- Information Theory
- Pattern Recognition and Neural Networks

relevant introductory courses

- Physics [3 courses]
- Chemistry [3 courses]
- Mathematics [3 courses]
- Biology [3 courses]

relevant courses [undergrad level]

biology

- Introductory Structural Biology
- General Biochemistry
- Introductory Physiology
- Developmental Biology

mathematics

- Multivariable Calculus and Complex Variables
- Elementary Algebra and Number Theory
- Probability and Statistics

engineering

- Introduction to Scientific Computing
- Algorithms and Programming
- Introduction to Electrical and Electronics Engineering
- Introduction to Material Sciences
- Introduction to Environmental Sciences

laboratory courses

- Experiments in Biochemistry and Physiology
- Experiments in Microbiology and Ecology
- Experiments in Molecular Biophysics
- Experiments in Neurobiology