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- EDUCATION**
- **Ph.D. (2020-2025) (Defense Completed on 11/02/2025)**
    - Birla Institute of Technology & Science – Pilani, K.K. Birla Goa Campus, India
    - Thesis Title: *Feasibility of Dark Matter in Neutron Stars: A Quantitative Analysis*
    - Supervisor: **Prof. Tarun Kumar Jha**
    - Advisor: **Dr. Tuhin Malik**
    - Examiner: **Prof. Ritam Mallick (IISER Bhopal)**
    - Thesis Reviewed by: **Prof. Ritam Mallick (IISER Bhopal), Prof. Dr. Odilon Lourenço (Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica, São José dos Campos, SP, Brazil)**
  - **Masters of Science (M.Sc) Physics:**
    - Shoolini University, Solan, India,
    - Year of Completion : 2018
    - Degree Grade Point Average : 7.77/10.00
  - **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc) Physics:**
    - Centre of Excellence, Sanjauli Degree College, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
    - Year of Completion :2015
    - Pass Subjects : Physics(Hons.) Mathematics, Chemistry, English, Hindi
  - **Higher Secondary Exam:**
    - Chapslee School, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
    - Year of Completion: 2011
  - **Secondary Exam:**
    - Chapslee School, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
    - Year of Completion : 2009

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

*My research focuses on neutron stars and their equations of state, particularly their properties, interactions with dark matter, and how these interactions can constrain from astrophysical observations. I aim to understand the internal structure, dynamics, and role of exotic particles in neutron stars. During my PhD, I have had the opportunity to gain expertise in various advanced methodologies and tools that are pivotal for state-of-the-art research in high energy nuclear physics and astrophysics. Specifically, I have developed a strong proficiency in Bayesian Inference, which has been instrumental in my data analysis and modeling efforts. My work with Machine Learning has enabled me to leverage complex algorithms and models to uncover patterns and insights from large datasets. Furthermore, my experience with Big Data Analysis has equipped me with the skills to handle and interpret vast amounts of data efficiently. Additionally, I have become adept at using Mathematica for symbolic computations and analytical derivations, which has greatly enhanced my problem-solving capabilities. My proficiency with the RNS (Rotating Neutron Star) code has allowed me to perform detailed simulations and analyses of neutron star properties, contributing significantly to my research on dense matter physics and dark matter interactions. Currently, and in the foreseeable future, my research aims to explore the internal structure of neutron stars (NS) and investigate the presence of dark matter within them through a phenomenological methodology, in which I am well-versed.*

**RESEARCH VISIT**

- Departamento de Física, University of Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal, from 1st May 2023 - 30th July 2023.
- Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, India, from 13th September 2024 - 30th September 2024.

## PUBLICATIONS

### JOURNALS

#### \* In Communication

##### 1. Feasibility of Dark Matter Admixed Neutron Star Based on Recent Observational Constraints

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, Tuhin Malik, Arpan Das, B.K. Sharma, T.K. Jha, Constança Providência*

**arXiv:** arXiv:2408.03780v1

**In Communication to:** Astronomy & Astrophysics

##### 2. Non-Radial Oscillation Modes in Hybrid Stars with Hyperons and Delta Baryons: Full General Relativity Formalism vs. Cowling Approximation

**Authors:** *Ishfaq Ahmad Rather, Kau D. Marquez, Prashant Thakur, Odilon Lourenço*

**e-Print:** e-Print: 2412.12002 [astro-ph.HE]

**In Communication to:** Physical Review D

**Date:** Dec 16, 2024

##### 4. Supernova Remnants with Mirror Dark Matter and Hyperons

**Authors:** *Adamu Issifu (Espirito Santo U.), Prashant Thakur (Birla Inst. Tech. Sci.), Franciele M. da Silva (Londrina U.), Kau D. Marquez (Espirito Santo U.), Débora P. Menezes (Londrina U.) et al.*

**e-Print:** e-Print: 2412.17946 [hep-ph]

**In Communication to:** Physical Review D

**Date:** Dec 23, 2024

##### 3. Impact of $\sigma$ -cut Potential on Antikaon Condensation in Neutron Stars within the Relativistic Mean Field Model

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, B. K. Sharma, Lakshana Sudarsan, Krishna Kunnampully, T. K. Jha*

**In Communication to:** Physical Review C

#### \* Published

##### 1. Hyperon Bulk Viscosity and r-Modes of Neutron Stars

**Authors:** *O P Jyothilakshmi, P E Sravan Krishnan, Prashant Thakur, V Sreekanth, T.K. Jha*

**DOI:** 10.1093/mnras/stac2360

**Journal:** Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, 516 (2022) 3, 3381-3388

##### 2. Exploring Robust Correlations Between Fermionic Dark Matter Model Parameters and Neutron Star Properties: A Two-Fluid Perspective

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, Tuhin Malik, Arpan Das, T.K. Jha, Constança Providência*

**DOI:** 10.1103/PhysRevD.109.043030

**Journal:** Physical Review D, 109 (2024) 4, 043030

### 3. Towards Uncovering Dark Matter Effects on Neutron Star Properties: A Machine Learning Approach

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, Tuhin Malik, T.K. Jha*

**DOI:** 10.3390/particles7010005

**Journal:** *Particles*, 7 (2024) 1, 80-95

### 4. Influence of the Symmetry Energy and $\sigma$ -cut Potential on the Properties of Pure Nucleonic and Hyperon-Rich Neutron Star Matter

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, B. K. Sharma, A. Ashika, S. Srivishnu, T.K. Jha*

**DOI:** 10.1103/PhysRevC.109.025805

**Journal:** *Physical Review C*, 109 (2024) 2, 025805

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## Conference Proceedings

### 1. Neutron Stars with Fermionic Dark Matter: A Two-Fluid Approach

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, T.K. Jha*

**Proceedings:** *DAE Symp.Nucl.Phys.*, 66 (2023) 776-777

### 2. Antikaon Condensates with Dark Vector Meson in Neutron Stars

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, T.K. Jha*

**Proceedings:** *DAE Symp.Nucl.Phys.*, 66 (2023) 804-805

### 3. HESSJ1731-347 Supernova Remnant as Possible Dark Matter Admixed Candidate

**Authors:** *Prashant Thakur, T.K. Jha, B.K. Sharma*

**Proceedings:** *DAE Symp.Nucl.Phys.*, 67 (2024) 817-818

### 4. Neutron Stars Anisotropic Nature: A Study of Exotic States of Matter and Cosmic Observations

**Authors:** *Premachand Mahapatra, Prashant Thakur*

**Proceedings:** *DAE Symp.Nucl.Phys.*, 67 (2024) 819-820

### 5. On the Possibility of a $2.6M_{\odot}$ Neutron Star

**Authors:** *Tamanna Iqbal, R. Chandra, B.K. Sharma, Prashant Thakur, T.K. Jha*

**Proceedings:** *DAE Symp.Nucl.Phys.*, 66 (2023) 772-773

#### Conferences & Workshops Attended

- **Gravitational-Wave Astronomy Summer School (Online)**  
Organized by ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India July 5-16, 2021
- **ICTS Summer School on Gravitational-Wave Astronomy 2022**  
Hosted offline at ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India May 30 - June 10, 2022
- **Workshop on Lunar Gravitational-Wave Detection**  
ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India April 17-20, 2023

- **DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics 2022**  
Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam, India  
*Presented Poster* December 1-5, 2022
- **Dark Matter and Stars: Multi-Messenger Probes of Dark Matter and Modified Gravity**  
Centro de Congressos, CENTRA, IST, University of Lisbon, Portugal  
*Presented Poster* May 3-5, 2023
- **DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics 2023**  
IIT Indore, Madhya Pradesh, India  
*Presented Poster* December 9-13, 2023
- **NEOSGrav2024: International Conference on Neutron Star Equation of State and Gravitational Waves**  
Kenilworth Hotel, Goa, India  
*Invited Talk* October 1-4, 2024
- **3rd International Conference on Neutrinos and Dark Matter**  
Cairo, Egypt  
*Invited talk* Dec 11-14, 2024

**TEACHING** • Teaching Assistance (TA) at BITS-Pilani Goa (Mechanics Lab, Electrodynamics and Optics Lab)

## PROGRAMMING & Coding Skills:

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GUAGES/SKILLS

- Python, FORTRAN 90, Linux Shell scripting
- **Software:**
  - Wolfram Mathematica, RNS, LORENE, NMMA, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X
- **Gravitational Wave Analysis:**
  - BILBY
- **Neutron Star Related Codes:**
  - Equation of States (Relativistic Mean Field Theory)
  - Dark Matter Modeling (Fermionic and Bosonic)
  - Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff (TOV) Equation Solver
  - Two-Fluid TOV Solver
  - Non-Radial Oscillations of Neutron Stars (f, p, and g modes) using both Cowling Approximation and Full GR Framework
  - Modified theory of Gravity f(R,T)
  - Anisotropic Neutron Stars

**KNOWN LANGUAGES**

- English, Hindi, Punjabi, Pahadi

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- Name of Father : Mr. HarKrishan Singh (Retired Government officer).
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