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2021-2024

2018-2021

2015-2018

#### **EDUCATION**

•Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

MSc Physics Percentage: 93.5

•Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, India

MSc Energy Science and Engineering CPI: 9.42

•Loyola College, Chennai, India

BSc Physics CGPA: 9.09

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# •Weizmann Institute of Science (WIS)

October 2022 - April 2024

Masters Project under the supervision of Prof. Yosef Nir

- Studied the implications of Higgs-related measurements at the LHC on various BSM frameworks

### •Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB)

June 2019 - December 2020

Masters Project under the supervision of Prof. Karthik Sasihithlu and Prof. M. P. Gururajan

- Conducted literature survey of near-field heat transfer and studied its mechanism
- Performed molecular dynamics simulation of near-field heat transfer across two nanospheres using LAMMPS

# TECHNICAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages (Proficient): English, Tamil

Languages (Less proficient): German, Telugu

Software: Python, Julia, LAMMPS, Mathematica, LaTeX, Git

Areas of Interest: Theoretical physics (Field theory), Tensor networks, Quantum computing, Deep learning

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. Y. Nir and P. P. Udhayashankar, Lessons from ATLAS and CMS measurements of Higgs boson decays to second generation fermions, JHEP **06** (2024) 049 [arXiv:2404.16545 [hep-ph]]

## ADVANCED COURSES TAKEN

#### •Theoretical Condensed Matter Physics

 $at\ IITB$ 

Instructor: Prof. Hridis Kumar Pal

- Second quantization, Interacting electron gas, Superconductivity, Magnetism

# •Statistical physics 1

 $at\ WIS$ 

Instructor: Prof. Oren Raz

- Equilibrium statistical physics: Phase transitions and critical phenomena, Ising type models; Analytical and numerical methods, renormalization group approach; correlation functions
- Spin Glass physics: mean-field models, the replica trick, replica symmetry breaking

# •Quantum field theory 1

 $at\ WIS$ 

Instructor: Prof. Ofer Aharony

- Perturbation theory and Feynman diagrams from Path Integrals (scalars and fermions), perturbative regularization and renormalization, optical theorem and the LSZ reduction formula, Renormalization group
- QED, gauge fixing and the Faddeev-Popov procedure, Ward Identities, non-Abelian gauge theories
- Non-perturbative field theory: QCD (qualitative). 3d QED, instantons and confinement
- Symmetries in QFT, Goldstone's theorem, renormalization and symmetry, the Higgs mechanism (classical and quantum)

## •Elementary particles 1

at WIS

 $Instructor:\ Prof.\ Yosef\ Nir$ 

- The course followed the book "The Standard Model: From Fundamental Symmetries to Experimental Tests authored by Yuval Grossman and Yossi Nir"

•General relativity at WIS

Instructor: Prof. Ulf Leonhardt

- Mathematics required for GR, Einstein equations, Gravitational waves, Black holes, elementary cosmology

#### •Practical Deep Learning for Science

Instructor: Prof. Eilam Gross

- Convolutional Neural Nets, Graph Neural Nets, Transformer, Diffusion

•Supersymmetry at WIS

Instructor: Prof. Micha Berkooz

- Supersymmetric QM, SUSY algebra and representations, SUSY in 4d, SUSY Gauge theories

# •Quantum field theory 2

at WIS

Instructor: Prof. Adam Schwimmer

- The continuum limit
- Lattice Gauge Theories
- Renormalization of Non-Abelian Gauge Theories, Slavnov-Taylor identities
- Regularization and analyticity
- Polchinski ERG and Callan Symanzik equation

# KEY COURSE PROJECTS

#### Accent modulation using cVAE architecture

at WIS

Course: Practical Deep Learning for Science

1 month

- Learnt various audio processing features like STFT, Mel spectrogram, MFCCs etc.
- Build a cVAE using pytorch modules in python
- Used one hot encoding to switch between accents using audio features like MFCC and time-domain data
- Dataset used: AccentDB Core & Extended

# •Deep Learning with particle collider collision event

at WIS

Course: Experimental Projects

3 weeks

- Understood blocks of code developed by the group of Prof. Eilam Gross
- Modified it to suit the goal of our project, i.e. to determine the fraction of charged and uncharged particles in a collider event

#### Workshop & Schools

# •Tri-Institute Summer School on Elementary Particles

2023

Exposure to various aspects of particle physics. Topics in the summer school ranged from theoretical to experimental/observational aspects of particle physics: Underground experiments, cosmology and gravitational waves, to list a few.

# REFERENCES

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