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EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Physics)	University of Mississippi	2016-2022
Advisor:	Prof. Leo C. Stein	
Dissertation Title:	Post-Newtonian Dynamics of Eccentric, Spinning Binary Black Holes and the Associated Gravitational Waveforms	
B.Tech. (Mechanical Engineering)	Indian Institute of Technology Ropar	2009-2013

EMPLOYMENT

Postdoctoral Fellow	LUTH, Paris Observatory - PSL University	2023-2025
Adjunct Instructor	University of Mississippi	2022-2023
Teaching and Research Assistant	University of Mississippi	2016-2022
Junior Research Fellow	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai	2013-2015

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Postdoctoral Fellowship, Paris Observatory - PSL University	2023-2025
FGSA Travel Award for Excellence in Graduate Research, APS (\$500)	2022
Graduate School Honors Fellowship, Univ. of Mississippi (\$12,000 in total)	2016-2020
Junior Research Fellowship, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai	2013-2015

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Gravitational waves • Post-Newtonian dynamics of binary black holes • Quasi-normal mode ringdown of black holes • Hamiltonian systems

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Phys 211 Calculus-based Undergrad Physics (course website here) (as adjunct instructor, Univ. of Mississippi)	Summer 2023
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INVITED TALKS & LECTURES

Institut d'astrophysique de Paris (GReCO seminar)	Jan 2024
IISER Pune (Physics Seminar)	Jan 2024
Missouri University of Science and Technology (Department Colloquium)	Aug 2023
Northwestern University	Jul 2023
Univ. of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (lecture workshop; lecture notes here)	Jun 2022
Montana State Univ. (Relativity, Astrophysics and Space Science Seminar)	Apr 2022
Max Planck Inst. for Gravitational Physics Potsdam (ACR Seminar, <i>remote</i>)	Jun 2021
Simon Fraser Univ. (Cosmology Seminar, <i>remote</i>)	Sep 2020

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee Physical Review & Physical Review Letters

Feb 2023-present

MENTORING

Manuel Alva (undergrad, Universidad Nacional de Trujillo, Peru)

Nov 2023-present

Tom Colin (postgrad, Paris Observatory)

Oct 2023-present

Rickmoy Samanta (postdoc, ISI Kolkata) worked on Publication (2)

Sep 2021-Sep 2022

Pranav Kasetty (undergrad thesis co-advisor, IISc Bengaluru)

Oct 2021-Apr 2022

COMPUTER SKILLS

• Mathematica (xAct), C/C++, Python, Fortran, Matlab, Jekyll (web development), Bash • GitHub [profile](#)

OUTREACH & SERVICE

• Invited Public Talk on Astronomy - Univ. of MS (2023) • Judge at The Speaker's Edge Competition 2022 - Univ. of MS • Organized STEM Summer Camp - Univ. of MS (2018, 19) • Organized Spooky Physics Night - Univ. of MS (2016, 17, 18) • YouTube videos on [research](#) and [popular science](#)

PUBLICATIONS

1. **S. Tanay**. Towards a more robust algorithm for computing the Kerr quasinormal mode frequencies, 2022, [arXiv:2210.03657](#) (to be submitted)
2. R. Samanta, **S. Tanay**, and L. C. Stein. Closed-form solutions of spinning, eccentric binary black holes at 1.5 post-Newtonian order. *Phys. Rev. D*, 108(14):124039, 2023, [arXiv:2210.01605](#)
3. **S. Tanay**, G. Cho, and L. C. Stein. Action-angle variables of a binary black hole with arbitrary eccentricity, spins, and masses at 1.5 post-Newtonian order. *Phys. Rev. D*, 107(26):103040, 2021, [arXiv:2110.15351](#)
4. G. Cho, **S. Tanay**, A. Gopakumar, and H. M. Lee. Generalized quasi-Keplerian solution for eccentric, nonspinning compact binaries at 4PN order and the associated inspiral-merger-ringdown waveform. *Phys. Rev. D*, 105(6):064010, 2022, [arXiv: 2110.09608](#)
5. **S. Tanay**, L. C. Stein, and J. T. Gálvez Gherzi. Integrability of eccentric, spinning black hole binaries up to second post-Newtonian order. *Phys. Rev. D*, 103(6):064066, 2021, [arXiv: 2012.06586](#)
6. **S. Tanay**, A. Klein, E. Berti, and A. Nishizawa. Convergence of Fourier-domain templates for inspiraling eccentric compact binaries. *Phys. Rev. D*, 100(6):064006, 2019, [arXiv:1905.08811](#)
7. **S. Tanay**, M. Haney, and A. Gopakumar. Frequency and time domain inspiral templates for comparable mass compact binaries in eccentric orbits. *Phys. Rev. D*, 93(6):064031, 2016, [arXiv:1602.03081](#)

LANGUAGES

Hindi, English, French (elementary)