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EDUCATION

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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

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

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| Institut d'astrophysique de Paris (<i>upcoming</i>) | Jan 2024 |
| IISER Pune (<i>upcoming</i>) | 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 |

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| 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

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| Referee Physical Review & Physical Review Letters | Feb 2023 - present |
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MENTORING

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| Manuel Alva (undergrad, Universidad Nacional de Trujillo, Peru) | Nov 2023 - present |
| Tom Colin (Paris Observatory) | Oct 2023-present |
| Rickmoy Samanta (postdoc, ISI Kolkata) worked on Publication (2) | Sep 2021 - Sep 2022 |
| Pranav Kasetty (IISc Bengaluru, undergrad thesis co-advisor) | Oct 2021-Apr 2022 |

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Mathematica, 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 Ghersi. 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](#)