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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Aug 2016 - **Ph.D.**, *Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA)*, India,
Jan 2022 Thesis title: Spectro-timing study of Accretion Disks in Black Hole binaries
Supervisors: Prof. Dipankar Bhattacharya and Prof. Ranjeev Misra
Degree awarded in February, 2022
Aug 2010 - Jul **B.Tech & M.Tech in Energy engineering**, *Indian Institute of Technology Bombay*, Mumbai, India, GPA 8.82/10

Academic Employment

Aug 2022- **Postdoctoral Fellow**, *Tata Institute of Fundamental Research*, Mumbai, India,
current PI: Prof. Sudip Bhattacharyya
Sep. 2015 - **Junior Research Fellow**, *Tata Institute of Fundamental Research*, Mumbai, India, Supervisor:
Jul 2016 Prof. A. R. Rao

Research Interests

High Energy Accretion in compact objects, Black hole binaries, Neutron star binaries, X-ray Novae
Astrophysics

Computing Skills and Experience

Programming languages/tools: Python, Bash, Git
High energy Astrophysics software: HEASoft, XSPEC, GHATS

Fellowships and Awards

2023 K.D. Abhyankar Best thesis presentation award- Honorable mention @ ASI 2023
2022 National Postdoctoral fellowship
2016 Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-University Grants Commission (India) Research Fellowship

Recent Journal articles: published

- 2024 **Probing outbursts of the transient neutron star low mass X-ray binary Aql X-1 with NICER: a study of spectral evolution.**, K. G. Putha, **Yash Bhargava**, and S. Bhattacharyya, MNRAS, in press, <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stae1711>
- 2024 **An IXPE-led X-Ray Spectropolarimetric Campaign on the Soft State of Cygnus X-1: X-Ray Polarimetric Evidence for Strong Gravitational Lensing**, J. Steiner, and others including **Yash Bhargava**, ApJL Volume 969, Issue 2, L30, <https://doi.org/10.3847/2041-8213/ad58e4>
- 2024 **Soft X-ray and FUV observations of Nova Her 2021 with AstroSat**, **Yash Bhargava**, K. P. Singh, G. C. Dewangan and others, MNRAS Volume 528 Issue 1 pp28, <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stad3870>
- 2024 **High hard X-ray polarization in Cygnus X-1 confined to the intermediate hard state: evidence for a variable jet component**, T. Chattopadhyay, A. Kumar, A.R. Rao, **Yash Bhargava**, and others, ApJL Volume 960, Issue 1, L2, <https://doi.org/10.3847/2041-8213/ad118d>
- 2024 **AstroSat and NICER timing view of the Z-type Neutron Star X-ray binary GX 340+0**, M. Pahari S. Suman, **Yash Bhargava**, and others, MNRAS Volume 528, Issue 3 pp 4125, <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stae309>
- 2023 **Probing the soft state evolution of 4U 1543-47 during its 2021 outburst using AstroSat**, N Husain, **Yash Bhargava**, A. Garg et al., MNRAS, Volume 524, Issue 4, pp.5817, <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stad2204>
- 2023 **AstroSat View of the Neutron Star Low-mass X-Ray Binary GX 340+0**, **Yash Bhargava**, S.Bhattacharyya, J. Homan, and M. Pahari, ApJ, Volume 955, Issue 2, pp.102 <https://doi.org/10.3847/1538-4357/acee7a>
- 2022 **Probing the shot behaviour in Cygnus X-1 using simultaneous AstroSat-NICER observation**, **Yash Bhargava**, N. Hazra, A. R. Rao, R. Misra, et al , MNRAS, Volume 512, Issue 4, pp.6067-6077 <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/stac853>
- 2022 **Accreting on the edge: a luminosity-dependent cyclotron line in the Be/X-ray Binary 2S 1553-542 accompanied by accretion regimes transition**, C. Malacaria, **Yash Bhargava**, J. B. Coley, L. Ducci, et al., ApJ, Volume 927, Issue 2, id.194, 8 pp. <https://doi.org/10.3847/1538-4357/ac524f>

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Journal articles: under review

- ApJ **X-ray and Radio campaign of the Z-source GX 340+0: discovery of X-ray polarization and its implications** , **Yash Bhargava**, M Ng, and others, arXiv:2405.19324
- MNRAS **Rapid Mid-Infrared Spectral-Timing with JWST. I. The prototypical black hole X-ray Binary GRS 1915+105 during a MIR-bright and X-ray-obscured state** , P. Gandhi and others including **Yash Bhargava**, arXiv:2406.18637

Peer review

- Oct 2021- current Acted as a reviewer for Monthly Notices of Royal Astronomical Society (MNRAS)

Recent accepted Observation Proposals

- Accepted in Dec 2023 Polarimetric observation of GX 340+0 along the Z-track. *Observatory*: IXPE
- May 2023 Investigating the spectro-polarimetric properties of Cyg X-1 using AstroSat-IXPE coordinated observation *Observatory*: AstroSat
- Jul 2022 Probing rapid variability in the jet of BHB GX 339-4 using multi-wavelength observations *Observatory*: AstroSat

Select Conferences and Seminars

- Jul 2024 COSPAR 2024
Talk: Fast and Furious: Nova Her 2021 caught by *AstroSat* from UV to X-rays
Talk: Evolution along the Z track: spectro-timing observations of GX 340+0 with *AstroSat*
- Jun 2023 X-ray Universe 2023
Poster: Explaining the Z-track of GX 340+0 using wideband observations with *AstroSat*
- Jul 2022 COSPAR 2022
Talk: Peculiar periodicity in V1674 Her 2021 using multi-wavelength observations
Talk: Investigating low reflection in black hole binaries using NuSTAR
- Mar 2022 Astronomical Society of India meeting
Poster: Peculiar periodicity in V1674 Her 2021 using multi-wavelength observations
- Jan 2021 COSPAR 2021, (*attended virtually*)
Talk: Variability in MAXI J1820+070
- Feb 2020 Astronomical Society of India meeting
Talk: Shots of Cyg X-1

Select Schools and Workshops

- Mar 2022 Workshop on Accretion physics, ASI 2022
- Aug 2021 ZTF summer school on Variable stars, (*attended virtually*)
- May 2021 NICER analysis workshop (*attended virtually*)
Talk: Estimating the spin of MAXI J1820+070
- Oct 2020 Chandra Frontiers in Time Domain Science (*attended virtually*)
Talk: Understanding X-ray Shots in Cygnus X-1

Teaching Activities

- Nov 2019 AstroSat Data Analysis in Goa University
- Aug 2019 - Teaching Assistant for the IUCAA Graduate School course Mathematical Methods in Physics
Sep 2019 (Course Instructor: Prof. Dipankar Bhattacharya)
- May 2018 Hands on X-ray data analysis for Summer School participants at IUCAA

References

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