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## **Personal Profile**

Date of Birth: 25/10/1994 Marital status: Unmarried

Nationality: Indian Gender: Male

Hobbies: Swimming, Lawn Tennis, Travel

#### **Research Interests**

Dense matter, Equation of State, Gravitational Waves, Compact objects, Pulsars

# **Employment History**

June 2023 – till date	<b>Assistant Professor-I,</b> Department of Physics, Bhawanipur Anchalik College, Assam, India
September 2022 – January 2023	<b>Doctoral Research Associate,</b> Department of Fizică Nuclear, Horia Hulubei National Institute of Physics and Nuclear Engineering (IFIN-HH), Bucharest, Romănia
September 2020 – August 2022	<b>Senior Research Fellow,</b> Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India
August 2018 – August 2020	<b>Junior Research Fellow,</b> Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India
May 2017 – July 2017	<b>Summer Research Fellow,</b> Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India

#### **Education**

2018 – 2022 **Ph.D.,** Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India

(CGPA - Course work: 9.5; % of marks: 95)

Thesis title: Probing dense matter equation of state in light of neutron star observable con-

straints.

Supervisor: Dr. Monika Sinha

# Education (continued)

2016 – 2018	M.Sc. Physics, specialization: Astrophysics, Tezpur University, Assam, India (CGPA: 8.57; % of marks: 85.7) Thesis title: Probing the diffuse infrared emission in the Small Magellanic Cloud. Supervisor: Dr. Rupjyoti Gogoi
2013 – 2016	<b>B.Sc. Physics (Honours),</b> Cotton University, Assam, India (CGPA: 9.0; % of marks: 90)
2011 – 2013	<b>Intermediate</b> +2 (Science), Assam Higher Secondary Education Council, India (% of marks: 90)
2011	<b>Matriculation,</b> Secondary Education Board of Assam, India (% of marks: 85)

# **Awards and Achievements**

2011	Anundoram Borooah Merit Award, Government of Assam
2013	Alfarid Sazad Merit Award, Government of Assam
2013 – 2018	<b>DST-INSPIRE Scholarship for Higher Education</b> , Department of Science & Technology, Government of India
2016	Silver Medalist (First Class with Distinction) in Bachelor's degree, Cotton University
2017	<b>Focus Area Science</b> & <b>Technology – Summer Fellowship [FAST-SF]</b> , Indian Academy of Sciences, Bengaluru, India
2018	Silver Medalist (First Class with Distinction) in Master's degree, Tezpur University
2018 – 2022	MoE Doctoral Research Fellowship, Government of India
2022	Selected for <b>National Postdoctoral Fellowship</b> , Science and Engineering Research Board, Government of India

# Skills

Languages	Reading, writing and speaking competencies for English, Assamese, Hindi, Nepali
Coding	Python, Fortran, C++, LaTEX
Misc.	Academic research, teaching, LaTeX typesetting

# Schools, Workshops & Conferences

# Attended

Introductory Workshop on Relativistic Astrophysics, Gauhati University, India
Summer School on Radio Astronomy, Cotton University, India
North-East Meet of Astronomers-2 (NEMA-2), Tezpur University, India
Winter School on Astronomy (Star Clusters), Western University, Canada & Birla Science Centre, Hyderabad, India
ASTROSAT Data Analysis Workshop, IUCAA & Tezpur University, India
DST-SERB School on Observational Astronomy, Tezpur University, India
North-East Meet of Astronomers-3 (NEMA-3), Assam Don Bosco University, India
<b>Introductory workshop in Astronomy and Astrophysics</b> , University of Kashmir (Leh campus), India

## Schools, Workshops & Conferences (continued)

- Virtual Meeting on Compact Stars and QCD, ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India. (online)

  Michigan Cosmology Summer School, University of Michigan, U.S.A. (online)

  XXIV DAE-BRNS HEP Symposium, NISER, Odisha, India. (online)
- International Workshop on Emerging Trends in Gravitation and Cosmology, Presidency University, Kolkata, India. (online)
- School on Physics of the Early Universe, ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India.
   21<sup>st</sup> National Space Science Symposium, IISER-Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (online)
   National Seminar on Recent Trends in Physics Research, Manipur University, Manipur, India. (online)

1-day conference on **Emerging Trends in High Energy Astrophysics (ETHEAP)**, Tezpur University, Assam, India. (online)

**40**<sup>th</sup> **Meeting of the Astronomical Society of India**, IIT-Roorkee, Uttarakhand, India. **ICTS Summer School on Gravitational-Wave Astronomy**, ICTS-TIFR, Bengaluru, India. (online)

Nuclear Physics in Astrophysics-X conference, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland. (online)

Bridging the Gaps: Interdisciplinary Collaborations in Constraining the Physics of Finite Nuclei, Neutron Stars and Dark Matter, NIT-Rourkela, Odisha, India. (online)

National conference **SPARK-2023 (Symposium on Physics: Advances in Research and Knowledge)**, North Lakhimpur University, Assam, India

North-East Meet of Astronomers-9 (NEMA-9), Mizoram University, Mizoram, India 67th DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics, Indian Institute of Technology Indore, Madhya Pradesh, India

**42**<sup>nd</sup> **Meeting of the Astronomical Society of India**, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India.

**International Conference on Frontiers in Physics and Applied Physics**, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya, India.

#### **Presented**

- Oral presentation entitled "Investigation on the Radio Properties of Narrow-Line Seyfert Type-I Galaxies" at **North-East Meet of Astronomers-3 (NEMA-3)**, Assam Don Bosco University, India.
- Oral presentation entitled "Dense matter equation of state in strong magnetic field model with density-dependent parameterization" at **XXIV DAE-BRNS HEP Symposium**, NISER, Odisha, India. (online)
- Poster presentation entitled "Exotic dense matter in view of astrophysical observations" at 21<sup>st</sup> National Space Science Symposium, IISER-Kolkata, West Bengal, India. (online)

  Oral presentation entitled "Constraining exotic dense matter equation of states in view of gravitational-wave observations" at National Seminar on Recent Trends in Physics

Poster presentation entitled "Dense baryonic matter in light of recent astrophysical observations" at **40th Meeting of the Astronomical Society of India**, IIT-Roorkee, Uttarakhand, India.

Research, Manipur University, Manipur, India. (online)

# Schools, Workshops & Conferences (continued)

Poster presentation entitled "Tension between implications from PREX-2 data and gravitational tidal response on dense matter equation of state" at **Nuclear Physics in Astrophysics-X conference**, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland. (online)

Oral presentation entitled "Potentiality of (anti)kaon condensation in dense matter" at **66th DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics**, Cotton University, Assam, India.

Oral presentation entitled "Nuclear symmetry energy slope and its impact on exotic magnetized matter" at SPARK-2023 (Symposium on Physics: Advances in Research and Knowledge), North Lakhimpur University, Assam, India.

Oral presentation entitled "Influence of hot and cold dense matter on quasinormal oscillation modes of compact stars" at **North-East Meet of Astronomers-9 (NEMA-9)**, Mizoram University, Mizoram, India.

Oral presentation entitled "Implications of symmetry energy on neutron star cooling" at **67th DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics**, Indian Institute of Technology Indore, Madhya Pradesh, India.

Poster presentation entitled "Contribution of neutron star core superfluidity in pulsar glitches" at **42nd Meeting of the Astronomical Society of India**, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India.

Oral presentation entitled "Investigating Universal Relations in Neutron stars featuring exotic dense matter" at **International Conference on Frontiers in Physics and Applied Physics**, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya, India.

#### **Invited Talks**

Departmental Student Seminar series talk on "Astrophysical observables as a tool to probe dense matter physics" at IIT Jodhpur, India.

Invited talk entitled "Neutron stars: Astrophysical laboratories to probe dense matter" at Department of Physics, Debraj Roy College, Golaghat, Assam, India.

Invited talk entitled "Exotic cold dense matter in light of gravitational-wave observations" at RIKEN-iTHEMS, Tokyo, Japan. (online)

Invited talk entitled "Cold dense matter in light of neutron star astrophysical constraints" at Department of Nuclear Physics, Horia Hulubei National Institute of Physics and Nuclear Engineering (IFIN-HH), Bucharest, Romania.

Invited talk entitled "Investigation of exotic particle spectrum in cold compact stars" at Institute of Theoretical Physics, University of Wrocław, Poland.

Invited lecture entitled "Understanding ground state of matter in light of neutron stars" on "Lecture series on compact objects" at Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, Uttarakhand, India. (online)

Invited talk entitled "Cold exotic dense matter in light of neutron star astrophysical constraints" at Institute of Nuclear and Particle Physics, School of Physics and Astronomy, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China. (online)

# **Professional Courses/ Programmes**

### **Attended**

**Two Day Induction Training Programme**, Higher Education Department, Government of Assam, Assam Administrative Staff College, Assam, India

**Online Month-long Faculty Induction Programme**, Teaching Learning Centre, Tezpur University, Assam, India

NEP: Orientation and Sensitization Programme (Online), Malaviya Mission Centre of the Astronomy Centre for Educators, IUCAA, India

### **Academic Extensions**

July – December 2015	<b>Basic Radio Astronomy Course,</b> Cotton University, Assam, India. Mentor: Dr. Wasim Raja, Post-doctoral fellow, CSIRO Astronomy & Space Science, Australia
May – July 2017	<b>Summer Research Fellow,</b> Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA), Bengaluru, Karnataka, India. Mentor: Prof. C. S. Stalin, Professor, IIA; Co-mentor: Dr. Suvendu Rakshit, Scientist-C, Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational SciencES (ARIES), India
June – July 2022	<b>Visiting Scholar,</b> Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre (VECC), Kolkata, West Bengal, India.
November 2022	<b>Visitor,</b> Institute of Theoretical Physics, University of Wrocław, pl. M. Borna 9, 50-204 Wrocław, Poland.

# Teaching experience

- 3. Teaching the following courses at Bhawanipur Anchalik College:
  - Academic Session 2023-24:

# (Spring Session)

- iv. Introduction to Natural and Physical Sciences (MDC-2) for UG 2nd Semester
- iii. Electricity and Magnetism (PHY151) for UG 2nd Semester

## (Autumn Session)

- ii. Introduction to Natural and Physical Sciences (MDC-1) for UG 1st Semester
- i. Mathematical Physics-I (PHY101) for B.Sc. 1st Semester
- 2. Assisted in guiding 4 M.Sc. students in their thesis work at IIT Jodhpur.
- Teaching assistant in the following courses at IIT Jodhpur:
  - i. General Theory of Relativity for M.Sc. students
  - ii. Quantum Field Theory for M.Sc. students
  - iii. Introductory Physics Lab for B.Tech. students
  - iv. Introduction to electromagnetic theory for B.Tech. students

### Co-curricular activities

Volunteer in organizing Summer School on Radio Astronomy, Cotton University
 2017 – 2018 Convener of Astronomy Club, Tezpur University

# Co-curricular activities (continued)

- Volunteer in organizing **DST-SERB School on Observational Astronomy**, Tezpur University
- 2022 Core student coordinator in organizing "IITJ Padharo" (Open House)
- Convenor in organizing "Science Fair and Competition", Bhawanipur Anchalik College Convenor in organizing "Science Talk Series-2024", Bhawanipur Anchalik College Convenor in organizing "National Science Day-2024 Celebrations", Bhawanipur Anchalik College

### Administrative roles @ Institute

- 1. Co-ordinator of **Physics Laboratory**, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (June 2023 till date)
- 2. Co-ordinator of **Energy Audit Cell**, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (June 2023 till date)
- 3. Co-ordinator of Green Earth Club, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (June 2023 till date)
- 4. Web-master of **Departmental website (Physics)**, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (June 2023 till date)
- 5. Member, **Institution's Innovation Council**, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (June 2023 till date)
- 6. Member, Institute Purchasing Committee, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (August 2023 till date)
- 7. Co-ordinator of **Science Forum**, Bhawanipur Anchalik College (February 2024 till date)

## **Academic Evaluation Duties**

**External Examiner** for B.Sc. 1st & 5th Semester Physics Practical Examination (AY 2023-24) of Suren Das College, Kamrup (R), Assam

#### **Government Duties/ Trainings**

- Attended "**Training of External Evaluator for Gunotsav-2024 (5th Round)**" with reference to Order No.: SSA/Bpt/Corres/Gunotsav/P-III/690/2023/856 dated 11th December, 2023
- Government Duty "Engagement as External Evaluator for Gunotsav-2024 (5th Round)" with reference to Order No.: SSA/BPT/Gunotsav/letter/786/2023/949 dated 29th December, 2023

  Attented "Training on EVM/ briefing on ECI guidelines" with reference to Order No.: BJEL-01/2024/26 dated 12th March, 2024

## Accepted/Published Journal Articles

- Sarkar, T., **Thapa, V. B.**, & Sinha, M. (2023). Fast neutron star cooling in light of the prex-2 experiment. *Physical Review C*, *108*, 035801. *O* doi:10.1103/PhysRevC.108.035801. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.16449
- Thapa, V. B., Beznogov, M., Raduta, A. R., & Thakur, P. (2023b). Frequencies of f- and p-oscillation modes in cold and hot compact stars. *Physical Review D*, 107, 103054.

  Odi:10.1103/PhysRevD.107.103054. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.11469
- Kumar, A., **Thapa, V. B.**, & Sinha, M. (2023). Hybrid stars are compatible with recent astrophysical observations. *Physical Review D*, **107**, 063024. **6** doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.107.063024. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.06387
- Kundu, D., **Thapa, V. B.**, & Sinha, M. (2023). (Anti)kaon condensation in strongly magnetized dense matter. *Physical Review C*, **107**, 035807. **6** doi:10.1103/PhysRevC.107.035807. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2210.14565
- Thapa, V. B., & Sinha, M. (2022b). Influence of the nuclear symmetry energy slope on observables of compact stars with Δ-admixed hypernuclear matter. *Physical Review C*, 105, 015802.

  Odi:10.1103/PhysRevC.105.015802. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.12629
- 7 **Thapa, V. B.**, Kumar, A., & Sinha, M. (2021). Baryonic dense matter in view of gravitational-wave observations. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, **507**, 2991–3004. 
   Ø doi:10.1093/mnras/stab2327. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.04318
- Thapa, V. B., Sinha, M., Li, J. J., & Sedrakian, A. (2021). Massive Δ-resonance admixed hypernuclear stars with antikaon condensations. *Physical Review D*, 103, 063004.
   Φ doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.103.063004. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.08787
- Thapa, V. B., & Sinha, M. (2020). Dense matter equation of state of a massive neutron star with antikaon condensation. *Physical Review D*, *102*, 123007. Odoi:10.1103/PhysRevD.102.123007. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.06440
- Thapa, V. B., Sinha, M., Li, J. J., & Sedrakian, A. (2020). Equation of state of strongly magnetized matter with hyperons and Δ-resonances. *Particles*, *3*, 660–675. Φ doi:10.3390/particles3040043. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.00981

### **Pre-prints**

- Kumar, A., Ghosh, M. K., Thakur, P., **Thapa, V. B.**, Nath, K. K., & Sinha, M. (2023). *Universal relations in compact stars with exotic degrees of freedom*. arXiv: 2311.15277 [astro-ph.HE]
- Thapa, V. B., & Sinha, M. (2022a). Direct URCA process in light of PREX-2. arXiv: 2203.02272 [astro-ph.HE]

### **Conference Proceedings**

Thapa, V. B., Sarkar, T., & Sinha, M. (2023a). Implications of symmetry energy on neutron star cooling. In *Proceedings of the 67th DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics (ISBN: 978-12-345678-9-7)* (Vol. 67, pp. 783–784). Ø doi:http://www.sympnp.org/proceedings/67/C6

- Thapa, V. B., & Sinha, M. (2023). Tension between implications from PREX-2 data and gravitational tidal response on dense matter equation of state. In *EPJ Web of Conferences* (Vol. 279, p. 10003). 6 doi:10.1051/epjconf/202327910003. eprint: https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.07726
- Thapa, V. B., Sinha, M., Sedrakian, A., & Li, J. J. (2022). Potentiality of antikaon condensation in dense matter. In *Proceedings of the 66th DAE Symposium on Nuclear Physics (ISBN: 978-81-959225-1-2)* (Vol. **66**, pp. 734–735). doi:http://www.sympnp.org/proceedings
- Thapa, V. B., Sinha, M., Li, J. J., & Sedrakian, A. (2022). Dense matter in strong magnetic field: Covariant density functional approach. In *Springer Proceedings in Physics* (Vol. 277, pp. 755–759). 60 doi:10.1007/978-981-19-2354-8\_136

## **Books and Chapters**

Thapa, V. B., Sarkar, T., & Singha, J. (2021). Probing dense matter equation of state in view of neutron star astrophysical observables. In R. Jayakumar & R. R. Duvvuru (Eds.), Research trends in multidisciplinary research (Vol. 29, pp. 41–66). & doi:10.22271/ed.book.1306

## Journal peer-reviewer

Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, Oxford University Press Physical Review & Physical Review Letters, American Physical Society

## Membership(s)

Life member, Physics Academy of the North-East India Life member, Astronomical Society of India

#### **Professional Collaborations**

Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur, India

Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, India

National Institute for Physics and Nuclear Engineering (IFIN-HH), Romania

Institute of Theoretical Physics, University of Wrocław, Poland

Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, Germany

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# **Professional References (continued)**

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# **Declaration**

I hereby declare that the information in this curriculum vitae and additional particulars furnished is correct and true to the best of my knowledge.

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