

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Title of Ph.D. thesis:** Gauge theory of gravity with topological invariants

**Field of specialisation :** Classical and quantum gravity, Cosmology

**Academic degrees :** B.Sc. (Physics)  
Presidency College, Calcutta University, India (2004)

M.Sc. (Physics)  
Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur, India (2006)

Ph.D. (Physics)  
IMSc, Chennai, India (2012)

**Postdoctoral experience :** Raman Research Institute, Bangalore, India  
(Nov 2011 - Nov 2014);  
IUCAA, Pune, India  
(Nov 2014 - Current)

### **Academic awards, fellowships :**

- ‘N.R. Sen Young Researcher Award’, 2015, awarded by the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation’ (IAGRG)  
(“Awarded to a young researcher in recognition of outstanding contributions in Gravitational Physics”)
- ‘V.V. Narlikar Best Thesis Award’, 27th IAGRG Meeting of the ‘Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation’ (IAGRG-27), Garhwal University, Srinagar, India, March 7-9, 2013  
(Awarded by the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation for the “best thesis work done in India during the period 2008-2012”)
- UGC-CSIR NET Junior Research Fellowship and Lecturership, 2006  
(Ranked among the top 4 in this All-India exam after the written test for S.P.M. Fellowship following the main exam)
- JEST Junior Research Fellowship, 2006  
(Ranked among the top 25 in this All-India exam)

### **Teaching experience :**

- Project guide, Science Academies’ Summer Research Fellowship Programme, Student name- Galla Chetan Krishna, Visiting student at Raman Research Institute, Registration no.- PHYS745, Project Title: ‘General Relativity’,
- Project guide, Science Academies’ Summer Research Fellowship Programme, 2013
- Lecturer, ‘Constrained Hamiltonian systems’, School on Loop Quantum Gravity, Sept 22-30, 2010, IMSc, Chennai, India
- Teaching assistant, ‘Advanced General Relativity’ semester course (Instructor: Prof. Ghanashyam Date), IMSc, Chennai, India

### **Talks at National and International conferences/visits :**

- ‘N.R. Sen Award Lecture’ in IAGRG-2015, RRI, Bangalore, India, 18-20 March, 2015 (Invited talk; To be presented at the upcoming IAGRG meeting)
- ‘Torsional instantons in quantum gravity’, SINP, Kolkata, India, 2015
- ‘Torsional instanton effects in quantum gravity’, Field Theoretic Aspects of Gravity-FTAG 2014, IISER Mohali, Chandigarh, India, 8-12 Dec, 2014  
(Invited talk)
- ‘Topological parameters in classical and quantum gravity’, IISER Kolkata, India, 2014

- ‘Reconciling asymptotic flatness with discrete quantum geometry’, SINP Kolkata, India, 2014; IACS, Kolkata, 2014
- ‘Topological parameters in gravity’, KU Leuven, Belgium, 2013; Max Planck Institute for Gravitation Physics, Golm, Germany, 2013
- ‘Gravity asymptotics with topological parameters’, Field Theoretic Aspects of Gravity- FTAG 2013, IIT Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 5-8 Sep, 2013 (Invited talk)
- ‘Gauge theory of gravity with topological invariants’, 27th IAGRG Meeting of the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation (IAGRG-27), Garhwal University, Srinagar, India, March 7-9, 2013
- ‘Hamiltonian theory of gravity with three topological parameters’, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, 2012
- ‘Gauge theory of gravity with topological invariants’, IGC, Pennsylvania State University, USA, 2011
- ‘Topological parameters in gravity’, International Conference in quantum gravity: Loops 11, CSIC, Madrid, Spain, 2011
- ‘Quantum realizations of Hilbert-Palatini constraints’, Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad, India, 2010
- ‘Topological interpretation of Barbero-Immirzi parameter’, International Conference in quantum gravity: Loops 09, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China, 2009
- ‘Barbero-Immirzi parameter in gravity theory’, 25th Meeting of the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation (IAGRG-25), Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, India, 2009

**National and International Schools and Conferences attended :**

- Field Theoretic Aspects of Gravity- FTAG 2014, IISER Mohali, Chandigarh, India, 8-12 Dec, 2014
- Second Erlangen Fall School on Quantum Geometry, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, 7-11 Oct, 2013
- Field Theoretic Aspects of Gravity- FTAG 2013, IIT Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, 5-8 Sep, 2013
- Interface of Numerical Relativity with Gravitational-Wave Astronomy, Neutrino Physics and High-Energy Astrophysics, ICTS Building, IISc Campus, Bangalore, India, 24 June-5 July, 2013,

- US-India Advanced Studies Institute on Thermalization: From Glasses to Black Holes, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, June 10-21, 2013
- 27th IAGRG Meeting of the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation (IAGRG-27), Garhwal University, Srinagar, India, March 7-9, 2013
- Quantum Field Theory 2011, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune, 23-27 February, 2011
- International Conference in Quantum gravity: Loops 11, CSIC, Madrid, Spain, 2011
- School on Loop Quantum Gravity, IISc, Chennai, 2010
- BNU International Summer School and conference in Quantum gravity, Loops '09, Beijing Normal University, China, 2009
- 25th IAGRG Meeting of the Indian Association for General Relativity and Gravitation (IAGRG-25), SINP, Kolkata, India, 2009
- Indian Strings Meeting (ISM), Pondicherry, India, 2008
- International Conference on Gravitation and Cosmology (ICGC), IUCAA, Pune, India, 2007
- AKR school on cosmology and gravitation, SINP, Kolkata, 2005

**International visits:**

- KU Leuven, Belgium, Nov 5-10, 2013
- Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics, Golm, Germany, Oct 12-16, 2013
- Institute for Quantum Gravity, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany, Oct 7-11, 2013
- INFN, Pisa, Italy, Oct 3-6, 2013
- Theory Division, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, Sept 24-Oct 2, 2013
- The Institute for Gravitation and the Cosmos, Pennsylvania State University, August-September, 2011

## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

- [1] ‘A quantum gravitational origin of dark energy’,  
S. Sengupta, arXiv:1501.00779 (2015)
- [2] ‘Torsional instanton effects in quantum gravity’,  
Romesh K. Kaul and Sandipan Sengupta, Phys. Rev. **D 90**, 124081 (2014)
- [3] ‘Asymptotic flatness and quantum geometry’,  
S. Sengupta, Class. Quantum Grav. **31** 085005 (2014)
- [4] ‘Gravity Asymptotics with Topological Parameters’,  
S. Sengupta, Phys. Rev. **D 88**, 024031 (2013)
- [5] ‘Quantum geometry with a nondegenerate vacuum: a toy model’,  
S. Sengupta, Phys. Rev. **D 88**, 064016 (2013)
- [6] ‘SU(2) gauge theory of gravity with topological invariants’,  
S. Sengupta, J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. **360** 012024 (2012)
- [7] ‘Topological parameters in gravity’,  
R. K. Kaul and S. Sengupta, Phys. Rev. **D 85**, 024026 (2012)
- [8] ‘Quantum realizations of Hilbert-Palatini second-class constraints’,  
S. Sengupta, Class. Quantum Grav. **27**, 145008 (2010)
- [9] ‘Canonical supergravity with Barbero-Immirzi parameter’,  
S. Sengupta and R. K. Kaul, Phys. Rev. **D 81**, 024024 (2010)
- [10] ‘Topological interpretation of Barbero-Immirzi parameter’ ,  
G. Date, R. K. Kaul and S. Sengupta, Phys. Rev. **D 79**, 044008 (2009)
- [11] ‘Effective actions from Loop Quantum Cosmology: correspondence  
with higher curvature gravity’,  
G. Date and S. Sengupta, Class. Quant. Grav. **26** : 105002 (2009)