

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2006    PhD, Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India  
Thesis advisor: Prof. B. J. Cherayil
- 2000    M.Sc. in Chemistry, University of Roorkee (presently Indian Institute of Technology-Roorkee), Roorkee, India
- 1998    B.Sc. in Chemistry, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, India

### POSITIONS HELD

- Mar 2011    Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Indian Institute of  
- Present    Technology Roorkee, Roorkee, India
- 2010    Postdoctoral Fellow with Prof. S. M. Bhattacharjee at Institute of  
- Mar 2011    Physics, Bhubaneswar, India
- Sep 2009    Postdoctoral Research Associate at Max Planck Institute of Col-  
- Dec 2009    loids and Interfaces, Potsdam, Germany
- Mar 2008    Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow  
- Aug 2009    Academic Hosts: Prof. Dr. R. Lipowsky and Prof. Dr. J. Kierfeld  
Host Institute: Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces,  
Potsdam, Germany

Apr 2006      Postdoctoral Research Associate with Prof. M. G. Guenza, Department of Chemistry and Institute of Theoretical Science, University of Oregon, Eugene, United States  
- Jan 2008

## **HONOURS AND DISTINCTIONS**

2008-2009      Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellowship  
Academic Hosts: Prof. Dr. R. Lipowsky and Prof. Dr. J. Kierfeld  
Host Institute: Max Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces, Potsdam, Germany

2002-2005      Senior Research Fellow  
Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, India

2000-2002      Junior Research Fellow  
Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, India

## **STUDENT SUPERVISION**

PhD      Sapna  
Thesis Title: Computational studies of optical Properties of some silicon nanostructures  
Status: Defended and Provisional degree awarded December, 2018  
Supervisors: Prof. P. P. Thankachan and Prof. Pallavi Debnath

Rupam Borah  
Thesis Title: A Few problems in polymer dynamics  
Status: Degree Awarded 2017

Varun  
Thesis Title: Theoretical investigations on non-linear optical properties of selected organic molecules  
Status: Degree Awarded 2017  
My role: Caretaker supervisor

Nabi Ahamad  
Area of Research: Cooperative Dynamics in Polymer Melts  
Status: Ongoing

Prakhar Shukla  
Area of Research: Theoretical Chemistry  
Status: Ongoing

Neha Pathak  
Area of Research: Polymer Dynamics  
Status: Ongoing

Garima  
Area of Research: Statistical Mechanics of Polymers  
Status: Ongoing

M.Sc. Priyanka Yadav  
Project Title (tentative): Path Integral calculations in polymers  
Status: Ongoing

Kunwar Avinash  
Project Title: Analytic Treatment of the Dynamics in Model Polymer Systems  
Status: Submitted in Apr. 2018

Anurag Singh  
Project Title: Robust implementation of algorithms to characterize topology in DNA  
Status: Submitted in Apr. 2017

Rahul Kumar  
Project Title: Algorithms of topological invariants for  $3_1$  and  $5_2$  knots  
Status: Submitted in Apr. 2016

Swati Verma  
Project Area: Modelling Polymer under Tension  
Status: Submitted in Apr. 2016

Nidhi  
Project Title: Characterization of DNA Topology By Topological invariants  
Status: Submitted in Apr. 2015

Sourabh Kumar

Project Title: Study of knots and links in polymers

Status: Submitted Apr. 2014

Manasi Roy

Project Title: Electronic structure calculations of sulphur nitrides

Status: Submitted Apr. 2012

M.Tech. Shivam Gupta

Project Title (Tentative): Dynamics in model polymer systems

Status: Ongoing

Avnish Kumar

Project Title: Synthesis, characterization and catalytic activity of iron oxides

Status: Submitted in Jun. 2013

Subodh Kumar

Project Title: Rupture dynamics in polymers with interconnecting bonds

Status: Submitted in Jun. 2012

## **LIST OF PUBLICATIONS**

Submitted    **Theory of dynamics in polymer liquids: Analytical formulation based on diffusion of Rouse modes in crowded environment**

N. Ahamad and P. Debnath

Peer—  
Reviewed    **Structural, electronic and optical properties of model silicon quantum dots: A computational study**

S. Bondwal, P. Debnath and P. P. Thankachan

Physica E: Low-dimensional Systems and Nanostructures, **103**, 194 (2018)

**Investigation of Dynamical Heterogeneities in Polymer Melts**

R. Borah, N. Ahamad and P. Debnath

Current science, **113**, 1974 (2017)

**Rupture dynamics in model polymer systems**

R. Borah and P. Debnath  
Soft Matter, **12**, 4406 (2016)

**Cooperative dynamics in polymer melts from the unentangled to the entangled regime**

P. Debnath and M. G. Guenza  
Phil. Mag. **88**, 4131 (2008)

**Multiple time scale fluctuations in a semiflexible polymer: a one dimensional generalized Langevin equation treatment**

P. Debnath, W. Min, X. S. Xie, and B. J. Cherayil  
J. Chem. Phys. **123**, 204903 (2005)

**Dynamics of chain closure: Approximate treatment of non-local interactions**

P. Debnath and B. J. Cherayil  
J. Chem. Phys. **120**, 2482 (2004)

**Semiflexible random A–B block copolymers under tension**

P. Debnath and B. J. Cherayil  
J. Chem. Phys. **118**, 1970 (2003)

**Conformational properties of randomly flexible heteropolymers**

P. Debnath and B. J. Cherayil  
J. Chem. Phys. **116**, 4330 (2002)

**CONTRIBUTED TALKS**

**1. Contributory Talk**

Conference on DNA Physics, BITS Pilani, India  
March 9-11, 2017

**2. Invited Talk**

15th Indian Theoretical Chemistry Symposium, Hyderabad, India  
December 14-17, 2016

**3. Few Problems in Polymer Dynamics**

Indian Physics Association, Roorkee Chapter, Lecture Series  
April 11, 2014

4. **Polymer Friction: A many-body interaction problem**  
Internal workshop, Theory Division, Max-Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces, Potsdam, Germany  
November 16-19, 2009
5. **Polymer Friction by bond rupture**  
Departmental Retreat, Department of Theory and Bio-Systems, Max-Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces, Schloss Ringberg, Germany  
March 1-6, 2009
6. **Theory of Sliding Polymer Friction**  
Internal workshop, Theory Division, Max-Planck Institute of Colloids and Interfaces, Potsdam, Germany  
November 2008
7. **Statistical mechanical models of structure and dynamics of macromolecules**  
Thesis Colloquium, Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India  
October 2005

## **POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Theory of Single Polymer Friction**  
Humboldt Network Meeting, Berlin, Germany  
April 23-25, 2008
2. **Heterogeneous Dynamics in Entangled and Unentangled Polymer Melts**  
Gordon Research Conference on Liquids, Chemistry and Physics Of, Holderness School, Holderness, NH, United States  
July 29 - August 3, 2007
3. **Heterogeneous Dynamics in Polymer Melts**  
Graduate Visitation Weekend poster session, Department of Chemistry, University of Oregon, OR, United States  
March 2, 2007
4. **Multiple time scale dynamics of distance fluctuations in a semiflexible polymer**  
Gordon Research Conference on Polymer Physics  
Connecticut College, New London, CT, United States  
July 23-29, 2006