

## **Prof. Ajit Balram**

### **Bio:**

I grew up and did all my school education in Delhi. Then, I moved to Pune in 2006 for my undergraduate studies, enrolling in the 5-year Integrated BS-MS program at the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune. After that, I moved to the US to pursue a Ph.D. in physics at the Pennsylvania State University, from which I graduated in 2016. After a 3-year postdoctoral stint at the Niels Bohr International Academy and the Center for Quantum Devices, Niels Bohr Institute, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, I joined the faculty at the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai in 2019, and I have been ever since. My main research interests are in the physics of the fractional quantum Hall effect and topological insulators.

