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## **ICTS Statistical Physics Journal Club Seminar**

**Title** : Quantized Bubble Nucleations

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**Date** : Thursday, 05<sup>th</sup> August 2021

**Time** : 03:00 pm (IST)

**Abstract** : Non-equilibrium dynamics of slow quenches across continuous phase transitions

have been understood very successfully under the unifying theory of the Kibble-Zurek mechanism. However, relatively less attention has been paid to understanding dynamics across first-order quantum phase transitions(FOQPT). In an attempt to mitigate this, here I will talk about the consequences of a slow dynamical ramp across the FOQPT transition line present in the Ising model with both transverse and longitudinal fields. The existence of a potential barrier, quintessential to the FOQPTs, gives rise to metastability in the dynamical state. We find that in the considered model, such metastability wear off by nucleating bubbles of the true ground state driven by fluctuations. Specifically, we identify special resonant regions in the longitudinal field, where the metastable state can easily tunnel to nucleate bubbles of specific sizes (quantized). Further, I will describe our attempt to explain the entire nonadiabatic process under the umbrella of Landau-Zener theories.

**Venue** : Please click on the below link to join the seminar

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