Adil Mohammed K Indian Institute of Technology Madras (India)



Education

Program	Institution/Board	%/CGPA	Year
B.Tech (Engineering Design) & M.Tech. (Automotive Engineering)	Indian Institute of Technology Madras Chennai, Tamil Nadu	8.19/10	2019-2024

Professional Experience

1. MITACS Globalink Research Intern - Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

May'23 - Aug'23

Novel IoT cybersecurity methods using Trust and FL models - Guide: Prof. Mohammed Ibnkahla, Cisco Chair, IoT

- Designed a custom IoT framework for a novel Trust Management Module to calculate attack score of IoT devices
- Generated IoT network dataset for Federated Learning-based Intrusion Detection System for edge computing use cases
- Optimised attack detection for low powered devices and Single Board Computers. Submitting to IEEE WCNC '23

2. Product Management Intern - Ather Energy Pvt.Ltd, Bengaluru, India

Dec'22 - May'23

Ather Energy is an Indian EV manufacturer known for its innovative electric scooters and smart mobility solution

- o Developed Proof of Concept which reduced BoM cost of the new 450X dashboard and OTA components by 600%
- Data based deep insights into user behaviour and persona to refine product portfolio and future strategies
- o Analysed scooter mode loyalty for product fine tuning. Obtained five personas to tune scooter performance
- Researched and benchmarked new B2B models for ecosystem; Predicted revenue of Rs 5 Million per year
- 3. Lead Electrical Engineer Team Abhiyaan Centre For Innovation, IIT Madras Chennai India Mar'20 Aug'23
 Building an SAE Level two autonomous EV Institute shuttle and to participate in IGVC Self Drive Challenge
- Golf Cart Control Systems Implemented a novel AnYa based control algorithm, "Self-Evolving Parameter Free Rule-Based Controller" in the Drive-By-Wire system of the autonomous vehicle, which requires no tuning of the parameters and no input parameters regarding the plant. The observed MSE was drastically lower compared to traditional PID
- o Transformed a simple Electric Golf Cart by implementing custom Drive-by-Wire and feedback systems
- Designed PCBs for embedded systems like Battery Monitoring Systems, Voltage Regulator and Xbee communication
- Vehicle Model Developed a linear dynamic bicycle model for the localisation of vehicle using custom encoder design
- Analyzed the transfer function for braking; Used the PID controller for the actuator to achieve optimal braking. **Novel Steering** and **braking assembly design** which concealed the mechanism for a **truly driverless experience**
- 3. Electronics Developer Team BLINK Nirmaan startup, IIT Madras Chennai India Dec'19 Jul'21

Designing refreshable Braille Display and accessible website generator for the blind and physically handicapped

- Ideated and designed the control systems as well as inputs for Refreshable Braille Displays (BLINKER and CUBE).
 Integrated openCV functionalities in the system
- Created a web portal Sulabh that integrates accessibility features such as head tracking, image captioning, voice control, and Text-to-Speech, to existing websites

Publications

- 1. Improved Four Wheel Steering System: NVSD-2023-0473 *Under Review
- 2. Novel Federated Learning based Network Intrusion Detection System *Submitting to IEEE WCNC 2023

Projects

1. Control of Soft Pneumatic Robotic Arms - Masters Thesis*

Prof. Asokan T

- o Researching mechanics of different configurations of soft pneumatic actuators, used for Medical and industrial purposes
- Benchmarking PID and novel fuzzy based control algorithms, using manual and Computer Vision methods
- Manufactured a basic prototype of rotary pneumatic actuator.

2. Improved Four-Wheel Steering System

Prof. R Jayaganthan

 Conceived a new mechanism for use in four-wheel steering which can be independently controlled and is cost-effective. Under patent process

- Tested various methods to study effects on **steering maneuvers** at various speeds.
- Reduced the turning radius by 40% and increased lane change stability and control by 60%

3. Control system for heading angle and brakes

Prof. Srikanthan Sridharan

- o Designed a P controller and PI controller for the Electro-Pneumatic Regulator of the brake chamber in Matlab Simulink
- Implemented the **Smith Predictor** technique to address time delay, resulting in improved performance specifications. This method effectively controlled overshoot and steady-state error within predefined limits.
- o Designed unity negative feedback controller for heading angle control based on bicycle model as reference

4. Control system for active suspension system

Prof. Srikanthan Sridharan

- Modeled half car suspension and full car suspension dynamics with MATLAB Simulink
- Analysed performance of open loop and closed loop system for active suspension
- o Benchmarked Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQR) with closed loop active suspension system
- Obtained optimised parameters for best handling and comfort of the vehicle

Technical Skills

- Programming Language: C/C++, Python, MATLAB, JavaScript
- o Tools: ROS, Pandas, Scikit-learn, ReactJS, NodeJS, Docker, MQTT
- Framework: Simulink, SimScape, Fusion 360, AUTOCAD, Altium Designer, EagleCAD, ESP-IDF

Course works

- Fundamentals of Operations Research
- Control of Automotive Systems
- Power Electronics and Motor Drives for EV
- Control Systems
- Microprocessor in Automation
- Geometric Modelling and CAD
- Differential Equations
- Digital Signal Processing for Engineering Design

- Mechatronics System Design
- Fundamentals of Automotive Systems
- Energy Storage Devices and Systems
- Electromagnetic Compatibility for Product Design
- Data Science: Theory and Practice
- Design of Mechanical Systems
- Computational Methods in Design
- Form and Aesthetics in Design

Achievements/Awards

- Spearheaded Team Abhiyaan which achieved Global rank of Three in Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition '23
- Led Team Abhiyaan's incredible victory, earning the ground-breaking distinction of being the first Indian team to win the
 coveted first place in the prestigious International Design and Cyber Challenge held in Michigan, United States
- Triumphantly demonstrated a remarkable 500-meter autonomous course at IIT Madras of a fully driverless EV shuttle.
- National Runner Up in James Dyson Design Awards 2020 out of 60,000 global applicants : Developed a smartphone refreshable Braille Display accessory CUBE with onboard camera and devised business plans for the product
- First Prize in MTX Shaastra Hackolympics 2022: Obtaining an efficiency of 95% during training and for developing a robust UI based on ReactJS, NodeJS for inference on basketball scoring detection from video
- National Grand Finale in Smart India Hackathon 2022 out of 20,000 applicants: Created a web portal Sulabh for accessible technologies
- Bosch Traffic Sign Challenge at Inter IIT Tech Meet 2021: Developed UI that allows users to upload batch images to train the model or augment with weather elements and visualize inference results of a test image.
- Secured the coveted First prize in the Ather Product Nexus, a case study specifically focusing on advancing the stability and comfort features of EV bikes during TechSoc 2023, the interhostel technical competitions of IIT Madras. This remarkable achievement was attained among 25 finalists.

Positions of Responsibility

- Core Member of Team Abhiyaan, Student-run competition team at IIT Madras, managing over 40+ interdisciplinary students, managed budget and recruitment (May'22 Aug'23)
- *Technical Affairs Secretary, Brahmaputra Hostel* Selected and managed 40+ member Tech team for TechSoc (Inter Hostel Tech competitions). Proposed and implemented budgets of Rs 2L+ (Sep'19 Jun'20)
- **Electronics Lead** of **Team Abhiyaan**, Managed team of 10+ members in Electronics module in developing electrical subsystems for IGVC AutoNav, SelfDrive challenges and Institute Shuttle (Jun'21 May'22)
- o Coordinator of Tensors, organised JEE Advanced mock test for IIT aspirants (Nov'19 Apr'20)

Volunteering

- Volunteered in NSS, and took part in project BloodConnect, directed blood donation awareness video; Showcased at IIT Madras Open Air Theatre in 2020
- o Content creator and **counselor** at SQIL Student-run organization for promoting scientific temper among youth in 2021