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B.Tech Mechanical Engineering (Minor: EV Technology)

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## SUMMARY

Final-year mechanical engineering student who is passionate about solving problems and understanding how things work, with a specific interest in vehicle design, fluid flow, and how geometry affects performance and stability. My hands-on projects have developed my curiosity, focus, and patience, and I am eager to apply these qualities to real-world innovations in automotive design, research, or simulations. I have a strong foundation in CAD design tools and simulation analysis. My experience includes Python programming and knowledge in automotive concepts like aerodynamics, vehicle dynamics simulation and battery thermal management.

## EDUCATION

### • B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering ( Minor: EV Technology )

National Institute of Technology (NIT), Puducherry

CGPA: 8.34/10

Nov 2022 – Jul 2026

## SKILLS

- **CAD & Design Tools** NX CAD, AutoCAD, Fusion 360, CATIA, SolidWorks
- **Simulation & Analysis** ANSYS (Fluent, APDL), structural Analysis
- **Programming & Productivity Tools** Python (Intermediate), MATLAB/Simulink, MS Word, MS Excel
- **Automotive Domain** Vehicle Dynamics, Aerodynamics, Battery Thermal Management
- **Soft Skills** Curiosity, Problem-Solving, Adaptability, Teamwork

## EXPERIENCE

### • Project Intern – Heavy Vehicles Factory (HVF) Avadi

Ministry of Defence, India

May 2025 – July 2025

- Developed navigation algorithms for the "JetTank" robotic vehicle using Jetson Nano, ROS, and sensors (LiDAR, RGB-D, IMUs); implemented Color path tracking, waypoint navigation and contour-based obstacle avoidance.
- Collaborated with production teams to study armoured vehicle assembly, gaining insight into manufacturing processes (Arjun, T-90, T-72 tanks).

## PROJECTS

### • Thermal Conductivity using TPS 2500S

Lab-Based Project

- Measured thermal conductivity of copper at  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $21^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and  $60^{\circ}\text{C}$  using **TPS 2500S**; achieved mean values up to  $383.76\text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$ .
- Ensured high accuracy with **0.055%** repeatability and **17  $\mu\text{K}$**  sensitivity using a Hot Disk sensor.
- Calibrated the system with a stainless-steel reference and conducted tests across varying sample temperatures and durations.

### • Design-Focused Study of Hydrodynamic Flow Characteristics in Underwater Vehicles

ANSYS Fluent – CFD Simulation

- Modeled conceptual submarine and Titan submersible bodies in **Fusion 360**; simulated external flow in ANSYS Fluent at velocities between 20–60 m/s.
- **Excluded propeller thrust**; focused on how hull shape influences wake formation, eddy zones, and pressure/velocity distributions.
- Analysed drag forces and identified shapes responsible for flow separation; achieved drag coefficients of **0.297 (submarine)** and **0.413 (Titan)** using the k - SST turbulence model.

### • Closed-Loop V/f Control and Dynamic Braking of a 3-Phase Induction Motor

Electrical Motor Drives - Simulink Simulation

- Developed closed-loop V/f speed control for 3-phase induction motor using PID controller and PWM inverter
- Implemented dynamic braking circuit to dissipate regenerated energy during deceleration through resistive load
- Achieved and maintained a stable reference speed of **1500 rpm**, with the system settling after an initial transient dip in **0.4 seconds**.

### • CFD Analysis on Golf Ball

Aerodynamic Design Study

- Modeled a stationary golf ball in NX CAD and simulated in ANSYS Fluent to study airflow interaction and outer flow separation regions.
- Explored drag and lift forces visually (without thrust or pressure analysis), gaining a conceptual understanding of aerodynamics.

## LANGUAGES

English: Fluent

Hindi: Fluent

Tamil: Native