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Indian Institute of Technology, Madras  BTech, Civil Engineering, CGPA: 8.86  Jun, 2026		Kendriya Vidyalaya, I Grade 12, Percentage: 95	5.2 May, 2022
SCHOLASTIC ACH	IEVEMENTS	Grade 10, Percentage: <b>96.0</b> May, 2020	
• Secured 99.46% ile	n JEE(M) among 1M+ students	• Secured AIR 5957 in J	EE(A) among 150K+ students.
• Achieved AIR 1473 in KVPY among 50K+ students			
RELEVANT COURS	SEWORK	BITS Pilani	
• Deep Learning	• DL in Speech*	• Convex Optimization*	• Differential Equations
• ML Foundations	• Linear Optimization	• Probability & Statistics	• Series and Matrices
Experience			*Ongoing

## Fractal AI Research | AI Research Intern

May 2025 - Aug 2025

- Finetuned SigLIP2 using DeepSpeed ZeRO with a novel aesthetics-based dataset for reward modelling.
- Orchastrated cross-attn and CFG-based guidance methods to improve image fidelity of DiTs by  $\approx 10\%$ .
- Curated OCR data to finetune DiT using Florence-2 with GRPO; increased text-gen accuracy by 24.5%.

# Massachusetts Institute of Technology | Student Researcher

Jan 2025 - May 2025

- Built an agentic system to aid memory with AI; submitted to the flagship conference ACM CHI 2026.
- $\bullet$  Built a **novel data pipeline** on Python FastAPI server **reducing the latency by 80%** using concurrency.
- Evaluated transcripts with WER and CER, achieved 4.53% and 1.54%. Used LLMs to flag unsafe outputs.

#### Dirac Labs | ML Associate

Feb 2024 - Dec 2024

- Implemented a SciML-based NN in the Julia language for real-time edge applications at <5ms inference rate.
- Strategised a data pipeline on Google Cloud for the pre-processing, transformation & storage for >5TB of data.
- Built an RF model to detect soil type over ground using hyperspectral satellite data with an accuracy of 95.7%.

#### **PROJECTS**

#### Black Scholes Option Pricing | SciPy, NumPy

Mar 2025

- Calculated price of Call & Put Options using Black Scholes model; tested it with dynamic-delta hedging.
- Used Monte Carlo simulations with GBM to identify stock-path with highest probability for option pricing.

#### **CAPM** and Markowitz Model | yfinance, SciPy, MatPlotLib

Apr 2025

- Built an optimization model with Markowitz's mean-variance framework to maximize the Sharpe Ratio.
- Implemented CAPM with regression analysis to find Beta; evaluated stock's sensitivity to market movements.

#### Credit Card Fraud Detection | Pandas, Scikit-Learn, Optuna

Aug 2024

- $\bullet \ F1 \ score \ of \ \textbf{0.89} \ was \ achieved \ with \ \textbf{CatBoost} \ to \ detect \ fraudulent \ accounts \ using \ data \ from \ \textbf{608K} + \ accounts.$
- Data preprocessing techniques including SMOTE, ANOVA, Chi-Square test, etc. were used before modeling.

## StrInt: Structural Intelligence | LangGraph, LangChain, Streamlit

Aug 2025 - Present

- Built an agentic RAG system leveraging FAISS vectorstore to design structures using Indian Standards.
- Used LLM-as-a-Judge evaluation for each component. Currently building data pipeline for QLoRA finetuning.

# $\textbf{Earthquake Response Spectrum Prediction} \mid \textit{PyTorch, Pandas, MatPlotLib}$

Jan 2024 – May 2024

- $\bullet \ \ \text{Built } \textbf{GenAI models} \ \ \text{like } \textbf{CGAN \& VAE} \ \ \text{to predict Structural Impact of Earthquakes using 6 EQ params}.$
- Implemented a novel-loss function for CGAN in PyTorch. Improved the test-data R<sup>2</sup> value to a SoTA 0.91.
- Used XGBoost, FFNNs and BNNs to predict ground acceleration values to get R<sup>2</sup> values of 0.82, 0.84 & 0.87.

## **COMPETITIONS**

- Secured 1st place in Buildathon; used Flutter to create OCR & SQLite based data digitization application.
- Headed a 5-member team & devised strategy to bag 1st place in Mock Auction among 345 participants.
- Devised innovative AI solutions to win **3rd place pan-India** in **L&T** Smart City Challenge among **180**+ teams.

#### Positions of Responsibility

## Professional Shows, Saarang | Deputy Coordinator

Jun 2023 - Apr 2024

- Managed the main event with 80k+ footfall including artists like Farhan Akhtar and Matisse & Sadko.
- Spearheaded publicity and sales for the online degree section of IIT Madras, comprising of 68K+ students.

#### Corporate Relations: E-Cell | Assistant Manager

Dec 2022 - Mar 2023

- Solely responsible for negotiating a deal in kind worth INR 2.5L from Kokuyo Camlin kits for E-Summit.
- Managed the branding and advertisement of sponsors during E-Summit and chaperoned VIP delegates.