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## Academic Qualifications

Year	Degree/Certificate	Institute	CPI/%
2019 - Present	B.Tech	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur	7.0/10.0
2019	Class XII (CBSE)	MM Public School Pitampura, Delhi	93.8%
2017	Class X (CBSE)	SD Vidya Mandir, Panipat	10/10

## Key Projects & Workshops

### Modeling Subsurface Mine Detonation | Research Project - SURGE 2021

May'21 - Present

Mentor: **Professor Ishan Sharma**, Dep. of Mechanical Engineering | **Students-Undergraduate Research Graduate Excellence Program**

<b>Aim</b>	• Modeling a <b>flail system</b> to <b>trigger</b> and <b>detonate</b> mines wherever buried
<b>Tasks</b>	• Analyzing the <b>transfer of stresses</b> from the <b>point of impact of the flail</b> to the location of the <b>buried mine</b> • Performing <b>simulations</b> using <b>LAMMPS</b> and <b>OVITO</b> to study how <b>waves travel through discrete media</b> like soils • To simulate a <b>granular bed</b> , <b>impact</b> it with a <b>flail</b> & analyse the <b>stress transfer</b> through the bed
<b>Progress</b>	• Conducted <b>Literature Review</b> on design of flails and force transmission below the surface of soil • <b>Constructed</b> a <b>granular bed</b> of <b>5000 atoms</b> using <b>LAMMPS</b> input script, <b>simulated settling of atoms</b> under the effect of <b>gravity</b> and currently assessing the <b>Total Kinetic Energy Analysis</b> of the <b>system of atoms</b>

### 3D Shape Completion for Autonomous Vehicles | Robotics Club IITK

May'21 - Present

- **Aim:** Building a model which **predicts the shape of objects**, detected through **LiDAR data** and **RGB images**
- Implemented **semantic segmentation** for **KITTI semantic dataset** using **UNET architecture** to mask cars only
- Achieved a final **precision** of **0.9407** on **training** and **0.9429** on **validation** after **training the UNET model** for **25 epochs**
- Currently doing **Literature Review** on **Deep Generative Modeling**, and implementation of **Variational Autoencoders (VAEs)**

### Facial Expression Recognition using ML | Brain and Cognitive Society IITK

May'20 - Jul'20

- Replicated a paper on CNN study **FER** with **Convolutional Neural Network** via a **new face cropping & rotation strategy**
- Employed **data augmentation**, **image cropping** and **CNN** while working in a team of **9 members**
- Achieved a final accuracy of **93.46%** and **90.54%** on **JAFFE** and **CK+ dataset** respectively for 7 classes
- Conducted **Literature Review** on the current methods of Facial Expression Recognition

## Work Experience

### Sybylline Robotics Private Limited IC IITP | Summer Intern

May'21 - Present

- Comprehended various basics of **ROS2** (Robot Operating System 2), **Client Libraries** and **URDF** (Unified Robot Description Format)
- Brainstormed on **simulations** in **Gazebo**, **Rviz** using **Nav2** library to perform navigation related actions
- Currently working on **simulations** and **navigation** analysis of **floor disinfecting** and **medical delivery robot** using **Gazebo** and **Rviz**

### UnchAI | JEE Mentor

Sep'20 - Oct'20

- Tutored in UnchaAI, a **tech-ed startup** by **IITK** and **NITP** alumni, which provides a **mentorship platform** to **JEE aspirants**
- Mentored JEE aspirants with their **PCM** doubts, designed a **customized time table & metric** to track their performance **periodically**

## Positions of Responsibility

### Manager Research Wing | Academics and Career Council IITK

Apr'21 - Present

<b>Leadership</b>	• Led a team of <b>12 secretaries</b> working towards promoting research culture amongst the students • <b>Guided the team</b> to work as a unit aimed at assisting the <b>Research Community</b> in fulfilling it's needs
<b>Initiative</b>	• Introduced <b>Student Spotlight</b> to create more awareness about <b>remote research</b> amidst the <b>global pandemic</b> • Guided a team of <b>3 secretaries</b> to edit blogs for Student Spotlight on <b>Research Wing's</b> website
<b>Impact</b>	• Conducted sessions targeted for <b>UG community</b> to increase interaction with <b>alumni</b> in <b>research community</b> • Successfully hosted <b>InVar sessions</b> (Industry vs Research) to help students <b>explore various career prospects</b>

### Secretary Research Wing | Academics and Career Council IITK

Apr'20 - Mar'21

- Approached **15+ startups** for **internship positions** in the field of **E-vehicle R&D** to help students get internship during lockdown
- Interacted with **IITK alumni** and documented their **research experience** in the form of **AnC Blogs**

### Student Guide | Counselling Service IITK

Oct'20 - Jul'21

- Provided **guidance** and **emotional support** to a group of **six freshers** by helping them adjust to college life
- Helped in organizing **Orientation (Y20)** for **1000+** freshers

### Academic Mentor MTH101/102 | Counselling Service IITK

Sep'20 - Jul'21

- **Mentored students** who have faced difficulty in their freshman year **mathematics courses**
- Taken academic classes and **hall-level doubt clearing sessions** for first years

## Relevant Coursework

Introduction to Economics	Real Analysis and Multivariable Calculus	Linear Algebra & Ordinary DE
Thermodynamics	Nature & Properties of Materials	Manufacturing Processes
Engineering Graphics and Design	Introduction to Electrical Engineering	Fluid Dynamics

## Technical Skills

- **Languages/Libraries:** C, C++, JavaScript, Python, Java, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, Matplotlib, Pandas, OpenCV, Scipy, Seaborn
- **Software & Robotics:** Fusion 360, MATLAB, AutoCAD, LAMMPS, OVITO, ROS2, Gazebo, Rviz, Nav2

## Extra-Curricular Activities

- **Volunteer, Raktarpan IITK** (Blood Donation Awareness CLub) May'20 - Mar'21
  - Volunteered in spreading awareness and busting misconceptions regarding **Blood Donation** and related topics
  - Collaborated with **Fine Arts Club, IITK** and **organized an art competition** to promote Blood Donation
- Maintained an art-blog of **digital art illustrations** made on **Procreate**; collaborated with **Music Club IITK** to create artistic covers
- Ranked among the **Top 16 players** in **IITK Scrabble League**; participated in **Inter IIT Scrabble League 2020**