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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- **Doctor of Philosophy** in Mechanical Engineering
Thesis Title: Modeling, measurement and analysis of spindle radial errors in miniaturized machine tools
Place of Study: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India.
Guide: Dr.G.L.Samuel, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Madras, Tamil Nadu, India.
Year of completion: 2011
- **Master of Engineering** in Production Engineering, First class with Distinction
Thesis Title: Camera Calibration Techniques for machine vision systems
Place of Study: Thiagarajar College of Engineering, Madurai. Tamil Nadu, India.
Year of completion: 2003
- **Bachelor of Engineering** in Mechanical Engineering, First class
Place of Study: K.L.N. College of Engineering and Technology, Madurai. Tamil Nadu, India.
Year of completion: 1998

AREAS OF RESEARCH

- Soft Computing, Artificial intelligence techniques
- Machine vision and Image processing techniques
- Control of Automotive and Mechatronics systems

ACHEIVEMENTS AND AWARDS

- Received fellowship and funding for developing a mine detection robot project under "Teachers Associateship for Research Excellence" (TARE) scheme from SERB during Nov 2018-Nov 2021.
- Received funding under "Scheme for Young scientist and Technologist Scheme (SYST)" from DST for developing a hybrid human powered vehicle during July 2015-2017.
- Received the "Innovation and Leadership award", for the contribution of development of first indigenous development of egg vending machine, from Central Poultry Development Organization, Chandigarh, India on 12 October 2013.
- Received funding under "Scheme for Fast Track Young Scientist" from DST for developing machine vision system for spindle error evaluation during July 2012-2015.
- Qualified in GATE 2005 with 88.54 Percentile in Production and Industrial Engineering.
- Achieved Second Rank in M.E Production Engineering at Thiagarajar College of Engg, Madurai.

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

- Received an Industry-academia partnership Fund from The Royal Academy of Engineering, U.K to collaborate with Loughborough University and Valeo, Chennai for Design and development of a four-wheeled electric vehicle for research, teaching and outreach in Tamil Nadu, India under Industry Academia Partnership Programme during 2018-19.
- Received a grant of SEK 750,000 from STINT (The Swedish Foundation for International Cooperation in Research and Higher education) for initiating a double degree program on M.Sc. "Manufacturing" and M.Sc. "Robotics" with University West, Sweden during Oct 2015-Nov 2018.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **“Development of novel deep learning, visual servoing approaches for anti-tank mine detection using thermal vision assisted mobile robot”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.18,30,000/-
 - Funding Agency: DST, New Delhi Duration: 3 years (Nov 2018- Nov 2021)
- **“Development of a human powered vehicle for sustainable rural and urban transportation”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.9,43,098/-
 - Funding Agency: DST, New Delhi Duration: 1.5 years (July 2015- Dec 2016)
- **“Development of machine vision approach for evaluating spindle radial errors of a machine tool”.**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.16,60,000/-
 - Funding Agency: DST, New Delhi Duration: 3 years (June 2013-June 2016)
- **“Development of Egg Vending Machine”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.68,200/-
 - Funding agency : CPDO, Chandigarh Duration: 5 months (March 2013-Aug 2013)

INDUSTRY SPONSORED CONSULTANCY PROJECTS

- **“Development of wire extruder for 3D printing applications”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs. 4,74,444
 - Company: Euro Exim Duration: 6 months (June 2019- Dec 2019)
- **“Development of Innovative Techniques for cabin noise reduction in HVAC System”**
 - Role : Co-Principal Investigator Cost: Rs. 4,02,800.00
 - Company: Valeo, Chennai Duration: 6 months (June 2019- Dec 2019)
- **“Machine vision sorting technique and multi extrusion mechanism for batti manufacturing”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.9,43,000/-
 - Company : ITC, Chennai Duration: 6 months (Nov 2018- March 2019)
- **“Household electrical appliances control using mobile phones”**
 - Role : Principal Investigator Cost: Rs.6,00,000/-
 - Company: Tata power Company, Mumbai Duration: 12 months (Nov 2013-Nov 2015)

ONGOING DOCTORAL RESEARCH WORKS

- Development of artificial intelligent techniques for vision based control of robotic manipulator
(Scholar Name: M. Praveen Kumar)
- Development of artificial intelligent techniques for a pipe inspection robot.
(Scholar Name: Ms. Nagapriya)
- Development of artificial intelligent techniques for control of an electro hydraulic system
(Scholar Name: S. Ramesh)
- Development of soft robotic manipulator for precise handling of objects of varying shapes
(Scholar Name: M. Thileepan)
- Development of Cyber Physical System modeling approach for monitoring rolling element bearings.
(Scholar Name: M. Sandesh)

ONGOING DOCTORAL RESEARCH WORKS

- Development of new control strategies for improving yaw stability control using active front steering of a vehicle
(Scholar Name: S. KRISHNA)
- A Machine vision Approach and image processing techniques for Spindle Radial Error Evaluation in machine tools
(Scholar Name : C. KAVITHA)
- Development of control approaches for Electronic Throttle Control in a Motorcycle Engine
(Scholar Name B. ASHOK)
- Development of fuzzy logic and neural network techniques for the generation of road feel in a steer by wire system
(Scholar Name R.JAYACHANDRAN)
- Investigations on monitoring approaches for friction stir welding of aluminum alloy AA6063-T6
(Scholar Name S. SENTHIL KUMAR)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Life member-Soft Computing Research Society, India
- Associate Editor of Engineering Journal (<http://engj.org/>)

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS-INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

1. Kavitha C, **Ashok SD**. A New Approach to Spindle Radial Error Evaluation Using a Machine Vision System. *Metrology and Measurement Systems*. 2017 Mar 1;24(1):201-19.
2. Manish R, **Ashok SD**. Energy-Efficient Illumination Control Using Image Parameters in a Machine Vision Environment for Optimum Surface Texture Identification. In *Advances in Systems, Control and Automation 2018* (pp. 165-179). Springer, Singapore.
3. Ramesh S, **Ashok SD**, Naulakha NK, Adithyakumar CR, Reddy ML, Reddy SK. Energy Efficient Hydraulic Clamping System using Variable Frequency Drive in a CNC Machine. In *IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering 2018 Jun* (Vol. 376, No. 1, p. 012124). IOP Publishing.
4. Kavitha C, Shankar SA, Ashok B, **Ashok SD**, Ahmed H, Kaisan MU. Adaptive suspension strategy for a double wishbone suspension through camber and toe optimization. *Engineering science and technology, an international journal*. 2018 Feb 1;21(1):149-58.
5. Ramesh S, **Ashok SD**, Nagaraj S, Reddy ML, Naulakha NK, Adithyakumar CR. Energy conservation strategy in Hydraulic Power Packs using Variable Frequency Drive IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering. In *IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering 2018 Feb* (Vol. 310, No. 1, p. 012041). IOP Publishing.
6. Ramesh S, **Ashok SD**, Nagaraj S, Adithyakumar CR, Reddy ML, Naulakha NK. Design of An Energy Efficient Hydraulic Regenerative circuit. In *IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering 2018 Feb* (Vol. 310, No. 1, p. 012042). IOP Publishing.
7. Banerjee N, Kumar A, Mohan N, Ashok B, Kavitha C, **Ashok SD**. Estimation of position of electromechanical actuator valve using Kalman filter. In *Power and Advanced Computing Technologies (i-PACT), 2017 Innovations in* 2017 Apr 21 (pp. 1-6). IEEE.
8. Kavitha C, Shankar SA, Karthika K, Ashok B, **Ashok SD**. Active camber and toe control strategy for the double wishbone suspension system. *Journal of King Saud University-Engineering Sciences*. 2018 Jan 31.
9. Ramesh S, **Ashok SD**, Nagaraj S, Adithyakumar CR, Reddy ML, Naulakha NK. Design of An Energy Efficient Hydraulic Regenerative circuit. In *IOP Conference Series: Materials Science and Engineering 2018 Feb* (Vol. 310, No. 1, p. 012042). IOP Publishing.
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11. B Ashok, **S Denis Ashok**, C Ramesh Kumar, Trends and future perspectives of electronic throttle control system in a spark ignition engine, *Annual Reviews in Control*, Volume 44, 2017, Pages 97-115.
12. K Nanth Gopal, B Ashok, K Senthil Kumar, R Thundil Karuppa Raj, **S Denis Ashok**, Vignesh Varatharajan, Vivek Anand, Performance analysis and emissions profile of cottonseed oil biodiesel-ethanol blends in a CI engine, Pages 1-8, *Journal of Bio fuels*, 2017
13. Kanish T C, Narayanan S, Kuppan P, **Denis Ashok S (2017)** Investigations on the finishing forces in Magnetic Field Assisted Abrasive Finishing of SS316L, *Procedia Engineering* 174 (2017) 611 – 620
14. Ashok B., **Denis Ashok S.**, Ramesh Kumar C. (2017) An Integrated Pedal Follower and Torque Based Approach for Electronic Throttle Control in a Motorcycle Engine, *Engineering Journal*, Vol.21, No:1, ISSN:0125-8281
15. R.Jayachandran, **S.Denis Ashok (2016)** Neural network based approach for the generation of road feel in a steer by wire system, *Engineering Journal*, Vol.20, No:5, ISSN:0125-8281
16. B Ashok, **S Denis Ashok**, C Ramesh Kumar (2016) A review on control system architecture of a SI engine management system, *Annual Reviews in Control*, Vol.41, 94-118.
17. Abhijith, V., Antony Richard, M., Ravi, R., **Denis, Ashok, S.**, Ashok, M. (2015). Fuzzy Logic Based Fuel Flow Control System in a Dual-Fuel Diesel Engine. *Indian Journal of Science and Technology*, Vol.8 (S2), 96-100
18. B. Ashok, **S. Denis Ashok**, C. Ramesh Kumar (2015) LPG diesel dual fuel engine – A critical review, *Alexandria Engineering journal*, Volume 54, Issue 2, June 2015, Pages 105–126
19. S. Krishna, S. Narayanan, **S. Denis Ashok (2014)** Fuzzy logic based yaw stability control for active front steering of a vehicle, *Journal of Mechanical Science and Technology*, December 2014, Volume 28, Issue 12, pp 5169-5174.
20. T.C. Kanish, P. Kuppan, S. Narayanan and S.Denis Ashok (2015), Experimental investigations and parametric analysis of magnetic field assisted abrasive finishing of SS316L, *International Journal of Manufacturing Technology and Management*, Vol. 29, Nos. 1/2, 2014, 78-95.
21. Narrendar.R.C, **S.Denis Ashok (2014)** Dynamic Modelling and Obstacle Avoidance for Cable Maneuvering Robot - In application to Transmission line Inspection robots, *International Journal of Engineering Development and Research*, ISSN:2321-9939, Vol.2, Issue 4, pp.3372-3376, Dec 2014

22. S. Senthil Kumar, **S. Denis Ashok (2014)** Development of Acoustic Emission and Motor Current Based Fuzzy Logic Model for Monitoring Weld Strength and Nugget Hardness of FSW Joints *Procedia Engineering*, Proceedings of 12th Global congress on manufacturing and management, Volume 97, 2014, Pages 909–917.
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26. Senthilkumar Subramaniam, Narayanan S and **Denis Ashok S, (2013)** Acoustic emission–based monitoring approach for friction stir welding of aluminum alloy AA6063-T6 with different tool pin profiles, *Proc IMechE Part B: J Engineering Manufacture*, 227(3) 407–416.
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29. **Denis Ashok, S. and Samuel, G. L. (2012)** Harmonic analysis based method for separation of form error during evaluation of high speed spindle radial errors, *Proceedings of Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Part B : Journal of Engineering Manufacture*, May 2012 vol. 226 No. 5 837-852
30. **Denis Ashok, S. and Samuel, G. L. (2012)** Modeling, Measurement and evaluation of spindle radial errors in a miniaturized machine tool, *International Journal of Advanced Manufacturing Technology*, Vol.59, Issue.5, pp.445-461.
31. Anabik shome and **S.Denis Ashok, (2012)** Fuzzy logic approach for boiler temperature & water level control, *International Journal of Scientific & Engineering Research*, Volume 3, Issue 6, ISSN 2229-5518.
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34. **Denis Ashok, S. and Samuel, G. L. (2010)** Regression method for identifying spindle radial errors of a miniaturized machine tool, *Journal of Studies on Manufacturing*, Vol.1, pp. 26-33.

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- **S. Denis Ashok, R. Manish (2018)** Energy-Efficient Illumination Control Using Image Parameters in a Machine Vision Environment for Optimum Surface Texture Identification, *Advances in Systems, Control and Automation: ETAEERE-2016*, edited by Avinash Konkani, Rabindranath Bera, Samrat Paul, Springer, Singapore.