

# R Surya Narayan

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## EDUCATION

National Institute of Technology, Trichy

Bachelor of Technology (Hons.), Mechanical Engineering, CGPA: 9.85/10

DDMS (AMS) P.Obul Reddy Public School, Jubilee Hills | CBSE

Senior Secondary School | Minor in Computer Science, Total: 96.4% | Total (Only sciences): 97.25% | Top 0.1% in Physics, Math

Tiruchirappalli, India

(2018-2022)

Hyderabad, India

(2016-2018)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

- Department Rank 1 of 124 students in Mechanical Engineering (To date)
- Recipient of the SPARK IIT Roorkee Summer Fellowship – 1 in 50 of 10000+ applications each year (May, 2020)
- Recipient of the Summer Research Fellowship Programme, Indian Academy of Sciences (IAS-SRFP) - 1 in 5000+ applicants (May, 2021)
- 4 time nominee and finalist of O.P. Jindal Engineering and Management Scholarship (OPJEMS) amongst 100+ applicants (Aug, 2020)
- Awarded Sri.P L N Murthy Toppers award and Bhattacharya Memorial Award for securing Rank 1 in Science Stream of class XII (Jun, 2019)

## RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS

### ➤ UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, TWIN CITIES (UMN-TC), MINNEAPOLIS, USA | VISITING RESEARCH STUDENT (REMOTE)

Guide: Prof. Suo Yang, Richard and Barbara Nelson Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering

#### DNS OF SUPERCRITICAL TURBULENT COMBUSTION WITH DETAILED CHEMISTRY FOR FUELS WITH LTC

(JULY, 2021 | Present)

- First of its kind Direct Numerical Simulations of DME-Air temporal mixing layers under supercritical pressures using **AMReX-Combustion PeleC**
- Analysing cool/warm flames under supercritical conditions for complex fuels that exhibit Low-temperature chemistry (LTC)
- Developing extensive combustion diagnostic tools to understand high-pressure turbulence-chemistry coupling and local extinction/re-ignition

### ➤ INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE (IISc, BANGALORE) | REMOTE SUMMER INTERNSHIP' 20

Guide: Prof. Konduri Aditya, Department of Computational and Data Sciences

#### MASSIVELY PARALLEL DNS OF CHEMICALLY-REACTING FLOWS

(Oct, 2020 | Present)

- Spearheaded development of AMR-capabilities in the lab by mastering the use of **AMReX-Combustion PeleC and PeleLM** software
- Performed numerous benchmark cases (supersonic/subsonic, reacting/non-reacting, laminar and turbulent) to demonstrate capability
- Instrumental in securing a grant from Royal Dutch Shell for performing reacting-flow simulations in porous media/foam
- On-going research on dual-mode ramjet combustors by performing massively parallel computations for a digital twin of the University of Michigan experimental supersonic combustion facility

### ➤ INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (IIST, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM) | REMOTE SUMMER INTERNSHIP' 20

Guide: Prof. Satheesh, Department of Aerospace Engineering,

#### OPEN-SOURCE JULIA MODULES FOR 1-D RAREFIED GAS DYNAMICS

(APR, 2020 | OCT, 2020)

- Developed **1-D gas-dynamics solvers in Julia** for high-temperature/rarefied gas flows
- Benchmarked them using flows through a rocket nozzle, Prandtl-Meyer Expansion and the reacting shock tube
- Validated the accuracy using the **NASA CEA solver** obtaining **98% match**.
- Developed a characteristics based solution framework for supersonic reacting PDEs.

### ➤ SPARK, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (IIT), ROORKEE | REMOTE SUMMER INTERNSHIP' 20

Guide: Prof. Dr. Abinash Kumar Swain, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, IIT Roorkee

#### HIGH-SPEED SOIL PENETRATION MECHANICS

(MAY, 2020 | JULY, 2020)

- Conducted numerical simulations using **ANSYS Explicit Dynamics (AUTODYN)** and **ABAQUS Explicit**
- Identified analytical, numerical and semi-empirical models for high-speed penetration mechanics
- Developed a generalized soil-penetration solver-cum-analysis tool using MATLAB

### ➤ EXXONMOBIL UPSTREAM RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT | REMOTE SUMMER INTERNSHIP' 21

(MAY, 2021 | JULY, 2021)

Guide: Dr. Kaustubh Shankar Kulkarni, Completions and Well management Team, Bangalore Technology Centre, India

#### DATA ANALYTICS FOR INSIGHTS ON ROD-PUMP PERFORMANCE

- Finished a 6 week project in 4 weeks.
- Obtained incisive insights on pump-performance using RCFA bringing 38% improvement in pump-life and identified critical failure components
- Formulated a methodology to correlate well-failure and chemical treatments in the other 2 weeks

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES:** C++, C, Python, Julia, MATLAB, Linux shell, Git, LaTeX, basic FORTRAN, **AMReX**
- **COMBUSTION SOFTWARE/SCIENTIFIC CODES:** Cantera, AMReX-Combustion PeleC, PeleLM, AMReX, Sandia 3D (S3D)
- **POST-PROCESSING SOFTWARE:** Paraview, Visit, YT, Amrvis, Matplotlib, Julia Plots
- **ENGINEERING SOFTWARE:** Dassault SOLIDWORKS(CSWA), ANSYS Fluent, Structural, Autodyn, CATIAv5, ABAQUS Explicit, XFLR5/XFOIL, FreeCAD

## PROJECT EXPERIENCES

### ➤ COMPUTATIONAL FLUID DYNAMICS SOLVER DEVELOPMENT | OPEN SOURCE MATLAB CODES FOR BASIC PROBLEMS

(MAR'20 | APR'20)

- Developed a solver that solves the 2-D incompressible Navier-stokes equations in MATLAB.
- Achieved 1000+ downloads in MATLAB Central File Exchange over 6 months
- Validated results with ANSYS FLUENT.

### ➤ DESIGN OF A MICRO-CLASS BLDC-POWERED AIRCRAFT | SAE AERODESIGN'20

(SEP'19 | OCT'19)

- Lead the design and analysis of a fixed-wing BLDC powered micro-class aircraft used for carrying payloads of 0.5-1 kg
- Analysed structural, aerodynamic and stability aspects of the aircraft and documented a report for the same.
- Secured the second place in the best design report category.

## ➤ **BLADELESS AQUATIC TURBINE | FLUID-STRUCTURE INTERACTION**

(DEC'19 | FEB'20)

- Designed a bladeless aquatic turbine using principles of Fluid-Structure Interactions (Vortex-Induced-Vibration).
- **Qualified 3 rounds of screening** in Sangam, **the annual Intra-Collegiate technical competition of NIT Trichy**

## ➤ **OPEN SOURCE CONTRIBUTOR - [ARRHENIUS.JL](#) | MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

(APR'21 | PRESENT)

- Developed API documentation for the combustion solver of DENG-MIT Lab.

## **RELEVANT COURSEWORK**

- Numerical Techniques
- Transforms and Partial Differential Equations
- Fluid Mechanics
- Computational Fluid Dynamics
- Advanced Internal Combustion Engines
- Compressible Flow and Jet Propulsion
- Engineering Thermodynamics
- Heat and Mass Transfer
- Design and Optimization of Thermal Systems
- Biofuels
- Cryogenic Engineering

## **OTHER MOOCS**

- MATLAB Computational Mathematics- MathWorks
- An Introduction to CFD- Udemy, taught by Dr.Spall, HOD of Utah State University.
- Statistical Thermodynamics specialization -Coursera, University of Colorado Boulder
- Sports and Building Aerodynamics-Coursera, TU Eindhoven
- Fundamentals of Fluid Structure Interaction - Coursera, Ecolé Polytechnique
- Data Analysis with Python – Takenmind Inc.

## **TECHNICAL CLUBS**

### ➤ **DESIGN AND ANALYSIS TEAM | THE THIRD-DIMENSION AEROMODELLING CLUB, NIT TRICHY**

(AUG'19 | MAR'20)

- Contributed to **5 projects in 8 months** and increased **outreach by organizing workshops to freshmen in STEM and innovative R&D**
- Developed extensive **documentation** for all projects done within the club
- Introduced unique **propulsion testing systems** to characterize **thrust delivered by motors**.

## **LEADERSHIP AND VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE**

### ➤ **NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME-NIT TRICHY**

(AUG'18 | AUG'19)

- Organized and managed blood-donation and eye check-up camps under the National Service Scheme of NIT Trichy.
- Participated in extensive plantation activities for a greener college

### ➤ **ILLUMINATE-NIT TRICHY**

(MAR'20)

- Taught basic mathematics and English to under-privileged and the have-nots under Illuminate NIT Trichy

### ➤ **ROTARACT CLUB**

- Was the president of the Rotaract club of my school, spearheading a school-bag donation drive to under-privileged children

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### ➤ **CONTENT MANAGER @ SPORTS-FETE**

(AUG'19 | MAR'20)

- Managed and published creative content to increase fest outreach of the annual inter-departmental sports festival of NIT Trichy.
- Brought out a 2 fold increase in online engagement and fest participation

### ➤ **CONTENT MANAGER @ SYNERGY**

(AUG'19 | MAR'20)

- *Crafted technical articles for the annual departmental symposium of Mechanical Engineering, Synergy*

### ➤ **TECHNO-MANAGERIAL TEAM @ SCIENT NIT TRICHY**

(AUG'19 | MAR'20)

- Managed the use of tools and equipment at the alumni-funded research lab, SCIENT
- Increased outreach and awareness by organizing workshops and interactive sessions

## **REFERENCES**

- [Prof.Konduri Aditya](#), Assistant Professor, Department of Computational and Data Sciences, IISc Bangalore
- [Dr.Kaustubh Shankar Kulkarni](#), Senior Research Engineer, ExxonMobil Upstream Company, BTC, India
- [Prof.Robert Spall](#), Professor emeritus, Head of Department, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Utah State Univ.
- [Prof.Satheesh.K](#), Assistant Professor, Aerospace Engineering, IIST Thiruvananthapuram
- [Weiqi Ji](#), Post-doctoral Scholar, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mechanical Engineering
- [Prof.P.Kaushik](#), Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIT Trichy
- [Prof.S.Suresh](#), Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIT Trichy
- [Prof.M.Uday Kumar](#), Professor HAG, Department of Mechanical Engineering, NIT Trichy