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### EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

#### • Indian Institute of Technology Indore

- Major: Computer Science & Engineering

- Additional Learning: IoT for Space Applications

Nov. 2021 - July 2025

CGPA: 8.37/10

#### Experience \_\_\_

• Undergraduate Research Intern- Autonomous Underwater Vehicle

under quidance of Prof. Konstantinos Alexis along with Mihir Dharmadhikari, Mohit Singh.

Sept. 2023- Present

ARL - NTNU - Norway

- Developed a ROS wrapper for the HoloOcean Simulator. This is being used for generating datasets in rosbag format and handling the vehicle using existing ros packages Demo1. Demo2.
- Working on Encoding Depth Information using beta-VAEs to be used for Navigation Task.
- Soyabean Leaf Disease Classification under RuTAG- Govt. of India

Jul. 2023 - Sept. 2023

under guidance of Prof.Aruna Tiwari

Certificate - Kaggle - IIT Indore

- Implemented traditional image augmentation techniques: rotations, blurring of different kinds, shadow, flares, and lot more, for 6 diseases + 1 healthy leaf class on existing 770 images to generate x9 times images to be used further.
- Reviewed and tried out GANs for Data Augmentaion, custom as well as models like CycleGAN.
- Quality of Generated images were qualitatively evaluated using perceptual studies.

#### Projects \_\_\_\_\_

#### • IITIHub- Institute App

Jan. 23 - Apr. 23

Software Course Project, under Prof. Puneet Gupta, CSE, IIT Indore, CS258

Github

- Followed principles of Incremental software development process, to develop flutter and firebase-based android application from scratch for IIT Indore community.
- Features: Student-Professor project collaboration, Automatic Email Categorization, Campus news & Campus map.
- Python API for Controlling Drona Aviation's Pluto Drone (Bronze Medal)

Dec. 22 – Feb. 23

Inter IIT TechMeet 11.0, IIT Kanpur

Presentation - Certificate - Github

- Features: Achieved real-time performance using Multithreading and Multiprocessing.(2 simultaneous vision and control processes).
- Developed a system to support simultaneous control of multiple drones.
- Communication using Sockets. Used PID for Trajectory Control.
- 4 Tasks included: Hovering, Rectangular motion, Localisation using OpenCV and ArUco marker, Drone Swarm Control, all using the API we built. Worked in a group of 10 undergraduates.
- Special Appreciation for our waypoint sampling (interpolation of targets) for better trajectory control.

#### • Gesture Go- Gesture Controlled Car

Feb. 23

- 21 Hand landmarks were extracted using Mediapipe's Hand Landmark Detection model.

Github

- Developed a light Neural network using TensorFlow Framework to classify gestures based on 21 key points recognized from Mediapipe's inferences, achieved an fps of 30.
- Commands were sent to ESP<sub>32</sub> to control the car appropriately.
- Experienced a latency of about <0.5 sec

#### • Lidar Based Obstacle Avoiding Robot IIT Indore Summer of Code

Jul. 22 - Aug. 22

Team Lead

Github

- Developed a Robot (Simulation in Gazebo) which can move in its environment from the start point to a destination, avoiding STATIC (walls, tables, etc.) and DYNAMIC (moving people) obstacles using a Lidar (No vision camera involved). Used ROS as the middleware, Jackal robot along with Velodyne Lidar.
- Used local planners like TEB, after comparison with DWA, ElasticBand, etc.

## KEY COURSES TAKEN \_\_\_\_\_

- Mathematics: Optimization Algorithms and Techniques, Numerical Approximations, Complex Analysis, Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Basic Calculus,
- Computer Science and Engineering: Computer Networks, Operating Systems, Parallel Computing, Automata Theory & Logic, Data Structures and Algorithms, Software Engineering
- Robotics & AI/ML: Fundamentals of Reinforcement Learning, Neural Networks and Deep Learning, Hyperparameter Tuning, Regularization and Optimization., check other Course Certifications.

## Technical Skills \_\_\_\_\_

- Programming Languages: C++, Python, bash, SQL, Dart, MATLAB \*
- OS & Platforms/Embedded devices: Linux, RaspberryPi, Arduino
- Robotics & AI Frameworks/Libraries: ROS, ROS2, PyTorch, OpenCV, OpenMP
- Simulators : Gazebo(Classic + Ignition)\*, HoloOcean
- Others Frameworks/Libraries: Git, Docker, Socket, Wireshark, Scapy, Flutter, Astrometrica, BOUML

\* Elementary proficiency

## Positions of Responsitbilities \_\_\_\_\_

- Chair IEEE- RAS, Student Branch Chapter, IIT Indore- Prof. Trapti Jain (Advisor) Nov. 22 Present Discussing latest robotics developments, series of ROS workshops beginner to advanced (<u>link</u>)
- Head- Autonomy Division, IVDC Club, IIT Indore, IGVC team Autonomy lead. Apr. 23 Present
- Member, Cynaptics Club, IIT Indore

Feb. 22 - Present

• Member, SIRC, International Relations Team (Students' International Relations Cell)

Dec. 22 - Present

## Achievements \_\_\_\_\_

Year	Achievement As	Associated With	
2024	ThinkSwiss Scholar 2024, Scholarship for upcoming internship at ETH Zu	rich Swissnex	
2023	Bronze Medal, Inter IIT Tech Meet 11.0	IIT Kanpur	
2022	Coder One, Team NotABot – ranked 12th Internationally Coder	Company)	
2022	1st Place, IIT Indore Summer of Code-Lidar Based Obstacle Avoiding Robot	IIT Indore SoC	
2021	All India Rank 1219, out of 250,000 Students, Top 5 $\%$ Students	Jee Advanced	
2021	Ranked in Top 0.21%, out of 1 million candidates	Jee Mains	
2021	KVPY Fellow   All India Rank (AIR) 165, SX stream (12th Grade)	IISc, Bangalore.	
2020	KVPY Fellow   All India Rank (AIR) 534, SA stream (11th Grade )	IISc Bangalore	
2019	NTS Scholar–NCERT, (National Council of Education Research & Training)	) New Delhi	
2019	Silver Medalist, Dr.Homi Bhabha Young Scientist Exam	HBCSE/TIFR	

## Volunteering \_\_\_\_\_

#### • MENTOR - Lane Detection using Limited Computation Power

Jun. 2023 - Jul. 2023

IIT Indore Summer of Code

Demonstration - Github- IIT Indore

- Mentored 4 Juniors to Develop a robust lane detection pipeline that consumes meager computational resources.
- Will be integrated in our **IGVC's Autonomous Vehicle**.

# • AVANA Social Welfare Students' Club

Jun. 2022 - present

IIT Indore

- Social welfare initiative taken up by students of IIT Indore for the welfare of underprivileged people nearby Indore.

- Conducting teaching sessions, and providing basic clothing, sweets, and stationery through donations for rural chil-
- dren/elderly.
- Visiting Orphanages, nursing homes and celebrating events with them- [LINK]