# SASI KANTH VADDE

# RESEARCH ASSISTANT

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# ■ PROFILE in

Master's graduate in Chemical and Energy Engineering, currently working at DLR on Multiphysics modelling of electrochemical systems. My work focuses on two-phase flows, gas crossover, and thermal–fluid interactions in alkaline water electrolysis. Skilled in Python, Dymola, and data analysis, I bring strong problem-solving abilities to complex system challenges. With a passion for linking electrochemistry and process engineering, I aim to develop innovative modelling approaches that advance sustainable hydrogen technologies and accelerate the transition to clean energy systems.



### ■ WORK EXPERIENCE

# Since 09/2023

# Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR), Stuttgart (Germany)

### 07/2025 - Present

### **Research Assistant**

- Developed transient system models of alkaline water electrolyzer stacks, capturing Multiphysics interactions (two-phase flow, heat transfer, gas crossover).
- Implemented and optimized PID control strategies for renewable gridintegrated operation to ensure system stability, efficiency, and gas purity.
- Designed and executed simulation scenarios to support process optimization and hydrogen system integration.

# 01/2025 - 06/2025

# **Master Thesis**

- Topic: "Transient Modelling of an Alkaline Electrolyzer for Validating a Two-Phase Electrolyte Model."
- Built and validated a Multiphysics simulation model, linking electrochemical behavior with fluid and thermal transport processes.

# 06/2024 - 12/2024

### Internship

- Mathematical modelling of mass transport phenomena of two-phase flow and across the porous membrane.
- Enhanced a power electronics model by integrating detailed AC/DC and DC/DC converter dynamics to study system-level energy efficiency.

# 09/2023 - 06/2024

# **Student Research Assistant**

- Conducted experiments on a single-cell alkaline electrolysis test bench, including system preparation, operation, and performance evaluation.
- Collected and analyzed experimental data to support optimization of electrolysis process.
- Developed a steady-state Python model of an electrolyzer for parameter extraction and calibration with experimental data and literature values.

# 06/2023 - 08/2023

# Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg (Germany) Student Research Assistant (HiWi)

- Developed Python/OpenCV algorithm to track bubbles in fluidized bed experiments with sinusoidal airflow, enhancing particle movement analysis.
- Designed and conducted fluidized bed experiments with varying inlet pressures, analyzing bubble dynamics to optimize drying processes.

### 06/2019 - 03/2021

# GMR, Hyderabad (India)

# **Junior Engineer**

- Gained foundational engineering experience at GMR Hyderabad, supporting operations and training in large-scale energy projects.
- Participated in hydro power plant construction training at Bajeli Holi, developing practical understanding of power generation systems and project execution.

### **■** EDUCATION

2021 - 2025

# M.Sc. Chemical and Energy Engineering

Otto von Guericke University (Magdeburg, Germany)

• **Focus:** Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD), Process Control & Systems Engineering, Machine Learning in Chemical Engineering, Multiphase Flows, Advanced Heat & Mass Transfer

2015 - 2019

# B. Tech. Mechanical Engineering

GMR Institute of Technology (Rajam, India)

• **Focus:** Thermodynamics & Heat Transfer, Fluid Mechanics & Hydraulic Machines, Finite Element Methods, Power Plant Engineering & Energy Systems

### **■ PROJECTS**

### **Numerical Simulations**

- Performed CFD simulations in OpenFOAM to analyze flow and heat transfer between end plate and electrode in an alkaline electrolyzer.
- Simulated airflow around the Arc de Triomphe using CFD to evaluate flow behavior and aerodynamic forces.

# **Control Systems & Machine Learning Applications**

- Designed and implemented PID control strategies for the Newell & Lee evaporator using MATLAB/Simulink.
- Developed and evaluated machine learning models in python to analyze and predict chemical process data.

# LANGUAGES

English – fluent in writing and speaking (C1) German – beginner (A2)

### STRENGTHS

Modeling & simulation of electrochemical systems

CFD and heat transfer analysis (OpenFOAM, Python, MATLAB)

Control system design (PID tuning, renewable integration)

Strong analytical and problem-solving skills

Research-driven and quick learner

Effective teamwork and communication

# ■ SKILLS

Dymola

Python

MATLAB

Fusion 360

OpenFOAM

StarCCM+

OriginLab

Microsoft Office