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Examination	University	Institute	Year	CPI / %
Post Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2021	9.32
Graduation	University Of Calicut	GEC Thrissur	2016	89.40%
Graduation Specialization: Chemical Engineering				
Intermediate	Kerala State Board	St Francis HSS Mattom	2012	97.66%
Matriculation	Kerala State Board	St Francis HSS Mattom	2010	100.00%

### Scholastic Achievements

- Secured **10/10** SGPA in M Tech 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester, IIT Bombay. [20]
- Ranked **top 5%** in Bachelor of Technology in Chemical Engineering – Calicut University, Kerala. [16]
- Secured **top 2** percentile in GATE 2018 Chemical engineering among 15855 students. [18]

### Master's Thesis

**Investigation of Bubble Induced Turbulence using Particle Image Velocimetry**

[Jan'20-present]

Guide: Prof. Partha Sarathi Goswami, Chemical Engineering, IIT Bombay

Motivation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Energy Budget</b> is an integral part of any chemical industry.</li><li>Bubbles can suppress or augment the turbulence in a system which can improve its energy <b>efficiency</b>.</li><li>Bubble induced Turbulence holds the Potential to <b>enhance</b> heat and mass transfer in chemical processes.</li></ul>
Current Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To study how the <b>bubble induced turbulence</b> changes with various flow parameters such as Reynold's stress, Fluid phase fluctuations, mixing in fluid phase etc.</li><li>Investigation of the flow field arising from bubble injections using multi-phase simulations performed in <b>ANSYS FLUENT</b> Workbench.</li><li>Surveyed literature on experimental data and numerical predictions of such flows.</li><li>Interpretation of the <b>simulation</b> Results and explaining them with physical reasoning.</li><li>Data processing using <b>MATLAB</b> Codes and Image Processing algorithms.</li></ul>
Future Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Performing <b>experiments</b> at higher Reynold's numbers using Designed Experimental Set-up.</li><li>Explore how transition to higher Reynold's number will affect bubble <b>size, shape and trajectory</b>.</li><li>Investigation of bubble <b>pinch-off</b> mechanism to control the bubble size distribution.</li><li>Study on <b>Inhomogeneous</b> or Sheared Turbulence.</li></ul>

### Industrial Exposure

**Industrial Training at Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL); Kochi Refinery**

[17 – 31<sup>st</sup> Aug'15]

- Consulted with Learning and Development (**L&D**) team and participated in a spot quiz conducted.
- Visited major units of the refinery such as Fluidized Catalytic Cracking Unit (**FCCU**), Crude Distillation Unit (**CDU**) and Vacuum Distillation Unit (**VDU**) and studied through lectures, plant visits and discussion with operating teams.
- Underwent **Fire Protection** and **Safety Training** and equipment studies such as Heat Exchanger, Pumps and flow meters.

**Industrial Training at Fertilizers and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT):**

[05- 15 Sep'14]

- Visited both Petrochemicals (**PD**) and Fertilizers (**UD**) division and inspected various aspects of safety in industries.
- Studied about major plants including the Replacement Ammonia Project (**RAP**), **Waste Water Treatment** and visited **Pollution Control** department.

### Professional Work Experience

**Executive Associate | Syngene International Limited-BIOCON**

[Jul'16-Jun'17]

Major responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reviewed <b>Documentation</b> of Process Parameters and utility consumption- Production, Chemical Development</li><li>Continuously monitored reaction conditions and process deviations in <b>DCS</b>.</li><li>Validated <b>Audit Protocols</b> in Warehouse and reviewed <b>Vendor Documents</b> in consultation with HOD.</li><li>Maintained <b>C-GMP</b> practices associated with <b>API</b>, for their purification and Extraction.</li></ul>
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### Positions of Responsibility

**Department Coordinator | Institute Student Companion Program, IIT Bombay**

[April '20-Present]

- Leading a team of **7 Student Companions** to organise formal and informal sessions for **80** new entrants in the department to help them on academic and non-academic fronts.
- Worked in a team of **177** people and coordinated the **e-orientation** at the department level for **80** new entrants.
- Compiled and developed the department's Master's **handbook** in coordination with Student Companions.
- Interviewed** candidates to select a team of 7 Student Companions for the department.
- Mentoring 11** students throughout the year helping them on academic and non-academic fronts during Covid-19 pandemic.

- Served as TA for course CL 202 - **Data Analytics** and Interpretation.
- Contributed in evaluating submitted answer scripts of **140** students for quizzes and mid-semester examinations.
- Invigilated during conduction of quizzes.

### Technical Projects and Seminar's

#### Manufacture of 150TPD Cumene by Q-Max Process | B Tech Project

[Jul'15-May'16]

Guide: Prof. Dr Ranjana Devi B, Government Engineering College, Trichur

- Based on the **Q-Max** Zeolite Process, Material-Energy balances were carried out and performed Simulation in **Aspen Plus**.
- Designed** Distillation Column and ancillaries, and analysed economic feasibility of the plant.
- Conducted Hazard and Environmental Analysis.

#### Comparative Analysis of Various Discretization and ODE-IVP Solver Methods | Course Project

[Aug'19-Nov'19]

Guide: Prof. Mani Bhushan | Computational Methods in Chemical Engineering | IIT Bombay

- Developed **MATLAB** codes for solving 1D Transient Heat Conduction problem.
- The PDE-IVP was **discretised** in spatial direction using Finite Difference Approximation and Orthogonal Collocation.
- Solved using Runge Kutta 4th order and Euler's explicit algorithms, Compared the results and accuracy of the methods.

#### Heat Transfer enhancement through use of Nano-fluids using Helical Coil Heat-Exchanger | B Tech Seminar

[Jan'16-May'16]

Guide: Prof. Dr Ranjana Devi B | Government Engineering College, Trichur

- Studied effect of nano particles (**CuO** and **Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>**) on heat transfer rates at different flow rate, concentration and temperature.
- Reviewed Significance among factors by analysing a **Factorial Design**-Design of Experiment-DOE.

#### CFD Studies on Flow through an Orifice Meter | Course Project

[Jan'20-Jun'20]

Guide: Abhilash J Chandy | Essentials of Turbulence | IIT Bombay

- Literature review on **CFD** studies and a comparative assessment with experiments to predict pressure drop analysis.
- Validated sensitivity analysis in **K-ε turbulence** model.

#### Design of a Packed Bed Reactor for Cumene Production | Course Project

[Aug'19-Nov'19]

Guide: Pramod P Wangikar | Advanced Chemical Reaction Engineering | IIT Bombay

- Optimised** Pressure drop and Temperature by analysing variation in conversion of Cumene using **MATLAB** plots.
- Estimated **weight of catalyst** required for a production of 150 TPD of Cumene at 97% conversion.

### Key Course's

Turbulent Multi-Phase flow, Product Research and Development, Computational Methods in Chemical Engineering.

<b>System and Control</b>	Optimisation, Process Dynamics and Control, Process Instrumentation, Numerical Analysis.
<b>Simulation</b>	Process Design Software Lab, Process Modeling and Simulation
<b>Reaction Engineering</b>	Advanced Chemical Reaction Engineering, Petroleum Refinery Engineering
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Economics and Management of Chemical Industries, Mathematical and Statistical Methods, Project Engineering, Safety Engineering in Process Plants, Chemical Engineering Design.

### Technical Skills

Attended 2 day **ANSYS Fluent** workshop held at NIT Calicut as a part of Chemical engineering symposium.

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**Software:** ANSYS (CFX; Fluent), Aspen Plus, Hysys, MATLAB**Tools:** ~~La~~TeX, Image J, Image Pro, MS Office, C

### Extra-Curricular Activities

<b>Technical</b>	Secured <b>1<sup>st</sup></b> prize in "CONCORSO"- A chemical engineering <b>quiz</b> competition conducted during THATHWA- An annual Techno-Management fest held at NIT Calicut	[15]
	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> Position in 'Industrial Design Problem' and 'Aavru' held at NIT Calicut.	[16]
	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> Prize in 'Mad Chemistry' conducted during National <b>Level Multi-fest</b> 'Dyuthi'.	[13]
	Member of Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, student Chapter	[13-16]
<b>Cultural</b>	Secured <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> position in Essay Writing Competition (Malayalam and Sanskrit), Group Song and Patriotic Song in <b>Kerala School Kalotsavam</b> District Level.	[08-11]
	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b> position in Aksharaslokam and Folk Song conducted during <b>Annual Cultural</b> meet 'Confluence' in Government Engineering College.	[16]
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Secured <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> position in Essay writing Competition held in connection with World Space week in association with Indian Space Research Organisation ( <b>ISRO</b> ).	[10]
	Participated in 'Number Chart' category organised by District <b>Mathematics Club</b> Association.	[10]
	Undergone a course on <b>Legal Literacy</b> Classes held by the Kerala State Legal Services.	[09]
	Honored with 'Sanskriti Puraskar' for excellence in <b>Sanskrit</b> .	[12]
	Member of <b>Gandhi</b> Peace Foundation.	[06-09]