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## Research Interests

- Deep Learning
- Probability & Statistics
- Remote Sensing
- Computational Materials Science

## Education

<b>Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences - New York University</b> <i>Masters in Scientific Computing/ Computational Science</i>	<b>2022-2024</b>
<b>Indian Institute of Technology Bombay</b> <i>Dual Degree(Btech+Mtech) in Metallurgical Engineering and Materials Science</i>	<b>GPA: 8.88/10</b> <b>2016-2021</b>
<b>Technical University of Denmark (DTU)</b> <i>Student Exchange Program</i>	<b>GPA: 9.33/10</b> <b>Fall 2019</b>

## Scholastic Achievements

- Awarded **Undergraduate Research Award (URA3)** for excellence in research by the Dean
- Selected as an Exchange Student (**4/800+**) at **Technical University of Denmark (DTU)**, Copenhagen [2019]

## Research Experience and Projects

<b>Structure-Property Relations from Microstructural Images - Link to thesis</b> <i>Master's Project: Guide: Prof. M P Gururajan and Prof. Hina Gokhale</i>	<b>Apr'2020-Present</b> <i>IIT Bombay</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>MIST (Microstruture STatistics):</b> A open source library in Python for the analysis of anisotropic microstructures: <b>paper under review</b>, library can be found <b>here</b></li><li>• <b>Awarded Undergraduate Research Award (URA3)</b> for excellence in research by the <b>Dean of Academic Affairs</b></li><li>• Reviewed literature about the state of the art statistical descriptors of Microstructural images</li><li>• Derived <b>Spatial Probability Distributions</b> of local states in Cahn-Hilliard generated binary microstructures after pre-processing and <b>benchmarked</b> results with state of the art python libraries</li><li>• Implemented a custom <b>Quick Union-Find</b> based <b>Hoshen-Kopelman</b> clustering algorithm for binary images with <b>periodic boundary conditions</b></li><li>• Calculated parameters such as precipitate size distribution, sphericity and inclination for generated microstructures</li><li>• Introduced a <b>precipitate tracking algorithm</b> on binary microstructures to track local states during evolution</li><li>• Incorporated <b>Level-set methods</b> to calculate interfacial velocity and compared results with analytical solutions</li><li>• Formulated and implemented a <b>Monte Carlo method</b> to quantify convexity of precipitate shape</li><li>• Compared evolution of isotropic, and anisotropic microstructures on the derived statistical and spatial parameters</li></ul>	
<b>Missing Data Importance Weighted Autoencoder (MIWAE) 🌀</b> <i>Guide: Prof. Jes Frellsen</i>	<b>Sep-Dec'2019</b> <i>DTU Copenhagen</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reviewed literature about generative models, with emphasis on variational autoencoders</li><li>• Implemented Importance Weighted Autoencoder (<b>IWAE</b>) by <b>Burda et al.</b> on MNIST dataset using Pytorch</li><li>• Removed pixels to create <b>incomplete MNIST</b> dataset; used custom imputation functions pre-training</li><li>• Built a <b>MIWAE</b> by training on imputed data; produced complete images from incomplete test dataset</li></ul>	

## Professional Experience

<b>McKinsey &amp; Company   Risk Dynamics Group</b> <i>Analyst/Associate Consultant</i>	<b>Jul'2021-Mar'2022</b> <i>Delhi</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Responsible for the complete <b>credit underwriting automation</b> for the Self-Employed customer segment for a major Indian banking client; created system to automate underwriting of portfolio worth <b>60+ mil USD</b> annually</li><li>• Built <b>5+</b> qualitative and quantitative models in R from bureau, financial and other quantitative data sources</li><li>• Conducted <b>back-testing</b> workshops for historical data collection, ensured population stability of variables and planned and executed complete on-ground implementation of models; model to be used by <b>100+</b> credit underwriters</li><li>• Built comprehensive excel models for implementation, and launched a <b>pan-India pilot</b> to kick-off adoption of credit model</li><li>• Looked at model performance during pilot run through a <b>custom built dashboard</b> to identify defunct variables, data input issues and implementation challenges; coordinated with company leads to <b>head workshops</b> on best underwriting practices</li><li>• Built a <b>MSME credit engine</b> based on customer interviews and bank deposits for a <b>leading Philippines bank</b></li></ul>	

## Round Finance

May-Aug'2022

Backend Developer

Mumbai

- Responsible for building scalable and robust backend systems and APIs in **AWS Lambda** by leveraging *Node.js* to enable instantaneous verification of payments in **cryptocurrencies** for the RoundPe payment gateway ☞
- Ideated, structured and implemented the **crypto-donation link** backend system to enable influencers to accept crypto donations; coordinated between designers and front-end developers to prioritize and deliver features
- Setup email and multi-factor authentication with Auth0; used **JWT tokens** to verify users and enable selective access of sensitive payment data to business owners, customers and admins respectively
- Conducted load testing of concurrent payment requests; set up **API rate limits** to protect against malicious activity
- Used **Redis** as a cache service to get instantaneous API responses to enable seamless frontend user flow
- Setup **API documentation** for the payment gateway with Docusaurus; created **tutorials** to ease client onboarding

## EXL Analytics

May-Jul'2019

Machine Learning and Data Science Intern

Gurugram

- Automated **credit risk estimation** and segmentation of merchant and consumer accounts based on their transaction history by implementing **NLP** and **Machine Learning models**
- Built **50+** financial variables that captured credit risk by pre-processing over **3 million** data entries
- Predicted probability of default and **improved Gini by 500 basis points** over existing credit risk models
- Received a **Pre-Placement Offer** for exemplary performance during the course of the internship

## Entrepreneurial Venture

Budnip : Copernicus Accelerator, European Space Agency (ESA)

Dec'2019-Jan'2021

Mentor: Dr Alireza Taravat, Deimos Space UK

Using **Deep Learning** to detect **crop features and diseases** by analysing **satellite imagery** from Sentinel 2

- **Winner** of the **Oi-X Hackathon** jointly conducted by **DTU Skylab** and **Copernicus Programme** in Denmark
- Attended the **start-up bootcamp** in **Helsinki, Finland** as part of the European Space week and selected to be a part of the **Copernicus Accelerator**, a platform by the **ESA** for a period of **1 year**
- Built the pre-processing pipeline to extract raster data from Sentinel Level-2A; Built 15+ vegetative indices
- Generated training data from raster and shape-files, built data augmentation tools to expand the dataset
- Built a U-Net based semantic segmentation Deep learning model to classify crops based on indices created
- Presented poster titled '**Comparative Study of Neural Networks and Machine Learning Models for Winter Wheat Crop Classification in Denmark**' at the **ESA EO Φ-week 2020** ☞  
Received business and market related training with the **Copernicus Accelerator Training Lab**
- Conducted **40+ interviews** with potential business partners to identify target market and build business model
- **Finalist** and **2<sup>nd</sup> runner up** in the **Copernicus Masters - University Challenge 2020** ☞

Oct'2020

## Teaching Experience

MM217-Data Analysis and Interpretation

2020

Teaching Assistant

IIT Bombay

- Conducted fortnightly tutorials on statistics for **2<sup>nd</sup>** year undergraduates on the **R Programming** language
- Involved in correction of exams and addressing conceptual doubts for a class of **130+** students

## Relevant Coursework & Programming Skills

- **Computation & Modelling:** Process Control, Simulation and Optimisation, Data Analysis and Interpretation, Numerical Analysis, Introduction to Machine Learning and Data Mining
- **Image Processing & Deep Learning:** Digital Image Processing of Remotely Sensed Data, Deep Learning
- **Miscellaneous:** Probability and Random Processes, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Calculus
- **Online Courses:** Data Structures and Algorithms(Princeton), Computer Vision(Microsoft)
- **Programming Skills/Software Packages:** Python, Pytorch, Node.js, React, R, C++. JAVA, MATLAB, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, SNAP

## National and International Debate

Prague Open, Czech Republic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Semi-Finalist and <b>5<sup>th</sup></b> best team</li><li>• <b>7<sup>th</sup></b> best speaker, beat 50+ participants</li><li>• Defeated top European teams</li></ul>
COEP Debate'19, Pune	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalist</li><li>• <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> best team</li></ul>