

# Archana Warriier

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## Education

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### Technische Universität Kaiserslautern (RPTU)

Apr 2022 – Present

*Master of Science in Computer Science*

Current GPA: 1.6/5.0 (German scale)

- Coursework: Machine Learning I & II, Monte Carlo Algorithms, Automated Reasoning, Functional Programming, 3D Computer Vision, Stochastic Modeling of Cognitive Processes

### Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra

June 2018 – June 2021

*Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Computing*

GPA: 9.02/10

### Indian Institute of Technology Madras

Jan 2021 – Aug 2021

*Foundational Course on Data Science*

GPA: 9.4/10

## Publications

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- [1] A. Warriier, D. Nyugen, M. Naim, M. Jain, Y. Liang, K. Schroeder, C. Yang, J. B. Tenenbaum, S. Vollmer, K. Ellis, and Z. Tavares, “Benchmarking world-model learning,” *arXiv preprint arXiv:2510.19788*, 2025.
- [2] D. A. Selby, K. Spriestersbach, Y. Iwashita, D. Bappert, A. Warriier, S. Mukherjee, M. N. Asim, K. Kise, and S. J. Vollmer, “Had enough of experts? elicitation and evaluation of bayesian priors from large language models,” in *NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Bayesian Decision-making and Uncertainty*, 2024.

## Research Experience

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### Research Trainee

Aug 2024 – Present

*Basis, New York | Advisors: Zenna Tavares, Kevin Ellis*

- Developing AI systems for scientific reasoning as part of Project MARA (Modeling, Abstraction, and Reasoning Agents)
- Contributing to MARAProtocol and Autumn.cpp frameworks for world model evaluation and learning

### Research Assistant

May 2022 – July 2024

*DFKI, Kaiserslautern | Advisor: Prof. Dr. Sebastian Vollmer*

- Conducted research on probabilistic inference methods and Bayesian machine learning
- Served as teaching assistant for the “Machine Learning in Julia” course

### Research Scholar

May 2023 – Oct 2023

*Columbia University, New York | Advisor: Zenna Tavares*

- Developed a framework that automatically constructs simplified model abstractions to balance computational accuracy with resource constraints
- Extended causal abstraction theory to adapt abstractions dynamically based on query requirements and available computational resources
- Implemented proof-of-concept for adaptive abstraction in physics-based simulations using MuJoCo

### Research Scholar

Sept 2022 – Nov 2022

*Columbia University, New York | Advisor: Zenna Tavares*

- Implemented parametric inversion in JAX — a program transformation technique that inverts non-injective functions by introducing parameters to uniquely determine inputs
- Demonstrated approach on simulation models, including Lotka-Volterra dynamics
- Contributed to Omega.jl probabilistic programming framework

### Student Developer, Google Summer of Code

June 2021 – Aug 2021

*The Julia Language Organization*

*Advisors: Zenna Tavares, Sebastian Vollmer, Moritz Schauer, Jiahao Chen*

- Developed CounterfactualFairness.jl package for counterfactual reasoning methods for algorithmic fairness
- Implemented multiple fairness criteria, including counterfactual fairness and path-specific effects
- Blog post: [nextjournal.com/archanarw/counterfactualfairnessjl](https://nextjournal.com/archanarw/counterfactualfairnessjl)

## Technical Skills

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- **Programming Languages:** Julia, Python, C, Haskell, Agda, Isabelle
- **Tools:** LaTeX, Git,

## Teaching & Service

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- **Teaching Assistant, “Machine Learning in Julia”** *May 2022 – Aug 2024*  
– DFKI, Kaiserslautern | Assisted students with probabilistic programming concepts and Julia implementation
- **Content and Publicity Head, IEEE Student Branch** *2020 – 2021*  
– Birla Institute of Technology | Conducted workshops and organized technical events
- **Mentor, MTTS Program** *2020*  
– Supported students in the Level 0 advanced mathematics program

## Selected Honors

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- Top 300, National Programming and Data Science Qualifier, IIT Madras (95% score) *2020*
- Received a letter of appreciation from the Union Minister of India, Smriti Irani *2015*
- Bronze Medal, International Olympiad of Mathematics *2013*

## Open Source Contributions

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- **Active Contributor:** MARAProtocol, Autumn.cpp, Omega.jl, Jaxy.jl
- **Maintainer:** CounterfactualFairness.jl, NormalizingFlows.jl