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#### Education

8/2016 - 6/2020	B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering	CGPA: 8.3/10
	Punjab Engineering College, Chandigarh	
4/2014 - 3/2016	High School (10+2)	Percent: 94.4%
	Bhavan Vidyalaya, Chandigarh	
4/2013 - 3/2014	Higher Secondary (10)	CGPA: 10/10
	Bhavan Vidyalaya, Chandigarh	·

## Research Experience

#### Research Associate

September 2020 - Ongoing

Thapar Institute of Engineering and Technology, Patiala, India

# Dynamic Modelling and Control Design of Augmentative Lower Extremity Exoskeleton

- Dynamic modelling of a strength augmentation exoskeleton designed by Defence Bio-Engineering and Electro-Medical Laboratory (DEBEL), a branch of Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), India
- Validation of the developed kinematic and dynamic models in MSC ADAMS, a multi-body dynamics software
- Development of an optimal control strategy for exoskeleton actuators in order to ensure minimal effort by human wearer.

#### Professional Experience

# Intern, Order Management and Assembly Department

January 2019 - June 2019

- Siemens Ltd., Vadodara, India
  - Developed a solver in C for allocation of jobs (processes) to different machines present in the shop floor in order to optimize the aggregate machining lead times
  - Designed an induction heating apparatus for heating of rotor wheel discs of steam turbines
  - Increased robustness of fixtures for machining of stator guide blade carriers of steam turbines
  - Redesigned and fabricated a machining and blading stand for rotor wheel discs of steam turbines

#### Other Relevant Experience

#### Undergraduate Thesis Project

September 2019 - May 2020

- 1. Development of a Test Rig for measuring propeller thrust
  - Built a test stand acting as an alternative to the wind tunnel for measuring the thrust produced by a propeller mounted on it.
  - Implemented Arduino Uno controlled circuits for driving the propeller motor using a brush-less DC motor and capturing and displaying the speed of the propeller using an IR sensor based tachometer.

### 2. Design and Analysis of a propeller for slow-flying Quad-copters

- Generated and modified propeller designs iteratively based on required flying conditions and propeller thrust using QMIL, a first order propeller design tool
- Used QPROP, a solver for calculating propeller performance to generate propeller efficiency and thrust curves for the designed propellers and reiterated the designing process until a design giving desirable propeller performance was achieved.
- Assisted in second order design validation using computational fluid dynamics (CFD) once the propeller design showed better performance than a market standard propeller.
- Developed a solver acting as an alternative to QPROP in MATLAB for calculating the performance characteristics of a propeller based on Blade Element Momentum Theory.

### Relevant Independent Projects

## 1. Test Rig for measuring vibrations in beams

- Created a flexible multi-body system model of a test rig for measuring the vibrations of beams from harmonic centrifugal excitations due to eccentric masses rotating at high speeds using Hyperworks Motionview, a multi-body dynamics software.
- Carried out sensitivity studies on the amplitude of vibrations of the beams by varying different parameters of the model like eccentricity, beam end conditions and beam geometry

## 2. Solver development for vibration analysis of a simple car

- Developed a simple car model as a 2 degree of freedom system to analyse its vertical dynamics in the form of bounce and pitch motions using MATLAB and Simulink
- Provided excitations to the model in the form of frequency independent harmonic forces and base excitations in the form of road bumps modelled as waves with constant wavelengths and amplitudes.
- Applied Fast Fourier transforms to analyse the natural frequencies and mode shapes of the system
- ullet Optimized location of force application and amount of damping in the system for minimal excitations

#### **Technical Skills**

1. Multi-Body Dynamics	
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• MSC ADAMS	• Arduino Uno
• Hyperworks Motionview	• QMIL, QPROP
2. Finite Element Analysis	• XFOIL
• ANSYS Workbench	• Geometric Dimensioning and
3. Computer Aided Design	Tolerances (GD&T)
• SolidWorks	
• Autodesk Fusion 360	
	<ul> <li>Hyperworks Motionview</li> <li>Finite Element Analysis</li> <li>ANSYS Workbench</li> <li>Computer Aided Design</li> <li>SolidWorks</li> </ul>

# Additional Relevant Coursework Completed

- 1. RWTHX, edX: Machine Dynamics with MATLAB, RWTH Aachen University
- 2. **DelftX**, edX: Introduction to Aerospace Structures and Materials, TU Delft
- 3. LouvainX, edX: Modelling and Simulation of Multi-Body Systems, UCLouvain