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## EDUCATION

### Carnegie Mellon University

PhD in Robotics

Thesis Advisor : Prof. Katerina Fragkiadaki

Partially Supported by :

CMU Robotics Vision Fellowship (24-25 AY)

Meta AI Mentorship Fellowship (25-26 AY)

Pittsburgh, PA

Aug. 2023 – Present

### Carnegie Mellon University

Masters in Robotics (4.09 / 4.0)

Thesis Advisor : Prof. Katerina Fragkiadaki

Thesis Committee : Prof. Tom Mitchell, Prof. Shubham Tulsiani & Nikolaos Gkanatsios

Pittsburgh, PA

Aug. 2021 – Aug. 2023

### Birla Institute of Technology & Sciences

Bachelor in Computer Science (9.33 / 10.0)

Thesis : Active Embodied Vision - Towards Self-Supervised Never Ending Learners

Thesis Advisor : Prof. Katerina Fragkiadaki & Prof. Pratik Narang

Rajasthan, India

Aug. 2017 – May 2021

## ACADEMIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Sep 2025 Present	<b>Meta Robotics   Visiting Researcher, PITTSBURGH, USA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Working with Dr. Roozbeh Mottaghi on embodied perception.</li></ul>
May 2025 Sep 2025	<b>Meta Reality Labs   Research Scientist Intern, REDMOND, USA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Working with Dr. Fan Zhang and Dr. Adam Harley on dynamic 3D scene representations.</li></ul>
May 2024 Dec. 2024	<b>Meta Facebook AI Research   Research Scientist Intern, PITTSBURGH, USA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Working with Dr. Franziska Meier and Dr. Sasha Sax on scaling up 3D perception models.</li></ul>
August 2021 Present	<b>Carnegie Mellon University   Graduate Research Assistant, PITTSBURGH, USA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>With Prof. Katerina Fragkiadaki, I am working on perception systems static 2D and 3D scenes and robot manipulation.</li></ul>
May 2022 August 2022	<b>Apple Machine Learning Research   Research Intern, CUPERTINO, USA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>With Dr. Navdeep Jaitly and Dr. Miguel Bautista, I worked on few-shot multimodal representation learning.</li></ul>
May 2020 July 2021	<b>Carnegie Mellon University   Research Associate, PITTSBURGH, USA</b> <a href="#">Project Page</a> <a href="#">Code</a> <a href="#">Paper</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>With Prof. Katerina Fragkiadaki, I developed a method enabling an embodied agent to learn about objects without ground truth supervision in an unseen 3D environment by allowing the agent to move around.</li></ul>

August 2019 May 2020	<b>MultiCog Research Group   Computer Vision Research Assistant, PILANI, India</b> <a href="#">Project Page</a> <a href="#">Code</a> <a href="#">Paper</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With Prof. Pratik Narang, I built an object detection model for aerial images improving over Retinanet model by 10%</li> </ul>
May 2019 August 2019	<b>Indira Gandhi Center for Atomic Research   Research Assistant, CHENNAI, India</b> <a href="#">Project Page</a> <a href="#">Code</a> <a href="#">Paper</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With Dr. N.M. Meenachi, I built the first nuclear language dataset - NText and NQuAD(Nuclear Question Answering Dataset) consisting of 730 question-answer pairs.</li> </ul>

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2025 **Jain, A.\***, Swerdlow, A.\*, Wang, Y., Arnaud, S., Martin, A., Sax, A., Meier, F., Fragkiadaki, K., 2025 “Unifying 2D and 3D Vision-Language Understanding”. (**ICML 2025**) [Website](#)
- 2025 Sarch, G., Saha, S., Khandelwal, N., **Jain, A.**, Tarr, M. J., Kumar, A., Fragkiadaki, K., 2025 “Grounded Reinforcement Learning for Visual Reasoning”. (**In Submission**) [Website](#)
- 2025 **Jain, A.\***, Swerdlow, A.\*, Wang, Y., Arnaud, S., Martin, A., Sax, A., Meier, F., Fragkiadaki, K., 2025 “Unifying 2D and 3D Vision-Language Understanding”. (**ICML 2025**) [Website](#)
- 2025 McVay, P.\*, Arnaud, S.\*, Martin, A., Majumdar, A., Jatavallabhula, K. M., Thomas, P., Partsey, R., Dugas, D., Gejji, A., Sax, A., Berges, V.-P., Henaff, M., **Jain, A.**, Cao, A., Prasad, I., Kalakrishnan, M., Rabbat, M., Ballas, N., Assran, M., Maksymets, O., Rajeswaran, A., Meier, F., 2025 “Locate 3D : Real-World Object Localization via Self-Supervised Learning in 3D”.(**ICML 2025**) (**Spotlight**) [Website](#)
- 2025 Cao, A., Arnaud, S., Maksymets, O., Yang, J., **Jain, A.**, Yenamandra, S., Martin, A., Berges, V.-P., McVay, P., Partsey, R., Rajeswaran, A., Meier, F., Johnson, J., Park, J. J., Sax, A., 2025 “LIFT-GS : Cross-Scene Render-Supervised Distillation for 3D Language Grounding”. (**ICML 2025**) [Website](#)
- 2024 **Jain, A.**, Katara P., Gkanatsios, N., Harley, A., Sarch G., Aggarwal K., Chaudhary V., Fragkiadaki, K., 2024 “ODIN : A Single Model for 2D and 3D Segmentation”. (**CVPR 2024**) (**Highlight**) [Website](#)
- 2024 Yang B., Su H., Gkanatsios, N., Ke, T., **Jain A.**, Schneider J., Fragkiadaki, K., 2024 “Diffusion-ES : Gradient-free Planning with Diffusion for Autonomous Driving and Zero-Shot Instruction Following”. (**CVPR 2024**) [Website](#)
- 2023 Gkanatsios, N.\*, **Jain, A.\***, Zhou X., Zhang Y., Atkeson, C., Fragkiadaki, K., 2023 “Energy-based Models are Zero-Shot Planners for Compositional Scene Rearrangement”. (**RSS 2023**) [Website](#)
- 2022 **Jain, A.\***, Gkanatsios, N.\*, Mediratta, I., Fragkiadaki, K., 2022 “Bottom Up Top Down Detection Transformers for Language Grounding in Images and Point Clouds”. (**ECCV 2022**) [Website](#)
- 2021 Fang, Z.\*, **Jain, A.\***, Sarch, G.\*, Harley, A., Fragkiadaki, K., 2020 “Move to See Better : Self-Improving Embodied Object Detection”. (**BMVC 2021**) [Paper](#) [Code](#)
- 2021 **Jain, A.\***, Ramaprasad, R.\*, Narang, P., et al., 2020 “AI-Enabled Object Detection in Unmanned Aerial Vehicles for Edge Computing Applications.” (**IEEE Network. 2021**) [Paper](#) [Code](#)
- 2020 **Jain, A.**, Meenachi, N.M. and Venkatraman, B., 2020 ”NukeBERT : A Pre-trained language model for Low Resource Nuclear Domain.” (**Arxiv 2020**) [Paper](#) [Code](#)

## RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS WITH NON-ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

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Jan 2022 July 2023	<b>Microsoft Turing Academic Program, REDMOND, USA</b> <a href="#">Website</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CMU-MSTAP project “Learning instructible visuo-motor agents through multimodal interactive teaching”</li> </ul>
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Dec 2021 | Amazon Alexa Prize SimBot Challenge, SEATTLE, USA

April 2023 | [Team Page](#)

- Developing multimodal instruction following agents as a member of CMU Symbiote Team
- Our team got 2nd place in the first phase of the competition.

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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2025 **Meta-CMU AI Mentorship Fellowship** \$150,000 award for 25-26 AY  
2024 **CMU Robotics Vision Fellowship** \$42k award for 24-25 AY  
2024 **Outstanding Reviewer Award, CVPR 2024**  
2023 **Outstanding Reviewer Award, ICCV 2023**  
2021-23 **Research Scholarship** Full tuition funding and stipend for my masters in robotics.  
2019 **Google AI Summer School** 1/50 students across India selected for Google AI summer school  
2019 **York CVR – VISTA Vision Science Summer School** 1/50 students selected worldwide  
2018-20 **Institute Merit Scholarship** Awarded to top 3% students for Exceptional Performance  
2017-18 **Microsoft Codefundo++ Hackathon** Placed 3rd/150+ teams on campus  
2016-17 **KVPY Scholar** A national level scholarship for adjudging high research potential  
2016-17 **National Science Examination in Physics (NSEP) Fellow**

## ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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2020-Present | Reviewer for Neurips, CVPR, ECCV, ICCV, ICML, ICLR, ICRA, BMVC, AAAI, TPAMI  
2024-24 | Teaching Assistant, Advanced Computer Vision, CMU  
2024-24 | Teaching Assistant, Learning for 3D Vision, CMU  
2019-20 | Teaching Assistant, Artificial Intelligence, BITS PILANI  
2019-20 | Teaching Assistant, Machine Learning, BITS PILANI  
2019-20 | Team Leader, Microsoft Student Partner, BITS Pilani  
2018-20 | Teaching Assistant, Computer Programming, BITS PILANI

## TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

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**Programming** | Python, C, C++, Java, HTML, CSS  
**Frameworks** | Pytorch, Tensorflow, Django  
**Simulators** | PyBullet, Ai2Thor, Habitat AI, Open AI Gym

## OUTREACH AND VOLUNTEERING

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2024-Present | Mentor - ML Collective Office Hours  
2024 | Mentor - CMU Graduate Application Support Program  
2024 | Mentor - Robobuddies Mentoring Program  
2023-Present | Mentor - CMU Undergrad AI Mentoring Program