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## Education

- 2020 – **Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, India** 9.04/10 GPA  
Bachelors and Masters of Technology in Electrical Engineering
- 2018 – 20 **PSBB Learning Leadership Academy** 94.8%  
Higher Secondary


## Professional Internships

- 2023 **Modem Firmware Engineer** *Qualcomm*
- Revived a GPRS-specific modem firmware and virtual platform for real-world applications and created test case scenarios, emulating L1 commands, to assess and validate functionality
  - Transitioned the firmware operations from 24 to 32 bits, reducing data conversion time to enhance operation speeds by roughly 2%
  - Validated the implementation by maintaining signal-to-noise ratio within defined 21 dB thresholds, affirming the accuracy of decoded data
- 2022 **Parallel Computing & Profiling** *Nvidia*
- Worked in a team of 5+ to parallelize ANUGA, an open-source hydrodynamic modeling software by profiling and running time analysis of the program on Nvidia Nsight Systems
  - Identified hot spots of the program that required parallelization to increase performance
  - Mentored a batch of 20+ students for two online certification courses on CUDA C & Python




## Research Experience

- 2023 **A Comprehensive Study on Cache Partitioning** *Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | IITB*
- Reproduced the work on Utility-Based Cache Partitioning (UCP) for shared LLCs in multi-core systems and analyzed the results using the SNIPER simulator
  - Performed a comparative study against static partitioning on the impact on Misses Per Kilo Instructions (MPKI), miss rates, partitioning pattern, and performance
  - Identified a 30% performance gain for UCP compared to static partitioning, with increased gains accounting for improved replacement policies, such as SRRIP, implemented in the LLC
- 2022 **Cache Security from Side Channel Attacks** *Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | IITB*  
*The hyperlink to the presentation corresponding to the following can be accessed [here](#)*
- Studied the vulnerabilities of shared cache and attacks like Flush+Reload, and Prime+Probe
  - Reproduced the work of PASS-P, an adaptation that mitigates such side channel attacks
  - Modified PASS-P by introducing DAAIP as the replacement policy and observed a drop in performance, which could be due to PASS-P selectively reallocating clean lines
- 2022 **Improving Bilateral Filter** *Guide: Prof. Satish Mulleti | IITB*  
*The hyperlink to the work report and code corresponding to the following can be accessed [here](#)*
- Explored the work of Bilateral filters for image denoising and replicated the same on Python
  - Designed an alternate penalty function that took pixels nearby into consideration
  - Lowered the MSE by 41.9% as compared to Bilateral Filters, obtaining better picture quality







## Research Experience (continued)

- 2022  **Exploring Replacement Policies** *Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | IITB*
- Studied cache hierarchy, access patterns, and eviction policies of caches in computers
  - Learned about the various cache optimizations to decrease miss rates, penalties, and hit times
  - Explored multiple cache replacement policies that included LRU and MRU policies to more complex policies such as Re-Reference Interval Prediction (RRIP), Hawkeye, and Mockingjay

## Technical Projects

- 2022-23  **Processor Design** *Guide: Prof. Virendra Singh | Course Project | IITB*  
*The hyperlink to the code corresponding to the following can be accessed [here](#)*
- Developed a 16-bit RISC multi-staged processor that handled 17 instructions in VHDL
  - Devised a 16-bit pipelined processor, pipelined into six different stages to get a performance close to 1.94 cycle/instruction
  - Designed a hazard unit, branch predictor, and forwarding unit to tackle pipelining hazards
  - Deployed a 16-bit RISC 2-way fetch superscalar processor handling out-of-order execution
  - Implemented an ROB and a PRF to handle hazards of instruction-level parallelism
- 2023  **2D Mapping System** *Guide: Prof. Siddharth Tallur | Course Project | IITB*  
*Received recognition for **outstanding performance and achieving top rankings** in a competitive field of projects. This project was ranked among the **top 3** projects out of 60+ projects. The hyperlink to the report corresponding to the following can be accessed [here](#).*
- Designed a four-wheeled robot capable of wirelessly mapping the trajectory traced
  - Utilized an IMU and a Rotary Encoder to track the robot's orientation and speed
  - Transmitted the data wirelessly using a Bluetooth module mounted on a custom PCB
  - Plotted a 3D map of the variation of luminous intensity along the traced trajectory
- 2020-22  **Matsya, Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV)** *Guide: Prof. Leena Vachhani | IITB*  
*AUV-IITB is a team of 40+ students working on the design and development of an AUV*
- Deployed a fully autonomous underwater submarine Matsya, capable of self-navigation and performing multiple tasks as described by the International RoboSub competition
  - Migrated the logic of the electrical stack to work on STM32G4 from the ATmega328P, enabling higher operation speeds provided by the increased number of I/O ports
  - Implemented 2-D SLAM (Simultaneous Localization and Mapping) in Python and predicted positions using the Extended Kalman filter algorithm given sensor data.

## Academic Achievements



- 2021 –  Ranked in the **top 3** out of 85 students in the Electrical Engineering (Dual Degree) Department
- 2023  Ranked among the top 3 projects in the Electrical Design Lab out of 70+ projects.
- 2021  Among the top 30 students to be awarded Change of Branch to Electrical Engineering on excellent academic performance
- 2020  Engaged in the winning team, achieving IEEE-Ocean Engineering Society's Young Researcher's Prize at the Underwater Technology Competition against 18+ countries
- 2020  Achieved All India Rank **878** in **JEE Advanced 2020** out of 150,000 candidates.
- 2020  Secured **99.82 percentile** in **JEE Mains 2020** out of 1,100,000 candidates.

## Courses Taken


<b>Digital Systems</b>	Algorithmic Design of Digital Systems*, VLSI Design, Embedded Systems, Digital Systems, Digital Systems Lab
<b>Computer Architecture</b>	Advanced Topics in Computer Architecture*, Advanced Computer Architecture, Microprocessors, Microprocessors Lab

*\*to be completed by Nov 2023*



## Mentorship

- 2023 –  Appointed as a mentor from a pool of 80+ applicants based on ethics, interviews, and extensive peer reviews. Guiding and mentoring six sophomores on a one-to-one basis in their academic and co-curricular pursuits. Working with a team of 35 toward building an effective support system for students in the department
- 2022  Mentored a batch of recruits to AUV-IITB as the RnD head and helped train them. It involved providing resources, solving doubts, and demonstrating the functionality of the AUV.



## Teaching

- 2021-2023  Teaching assistant at IIT Bombay for the following courses.
- | Year | Course                                 |
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| 2023 | MA 106, Linear Algebra                 |
| 2023 | MA 111, Integral Calculus              |
| 2022 | MA 205, Complex Analysis               |
| 2022 | MA 207, Partial Differential Equations |

## Technical Skills

- Languages  C/C++, Python, VHDL, Assembly, CUDA, FORTRAN, Bash, Perl, MATLAB, GNU Octave, Heptagon,  $\LaTeX$
- Software  Quartus, Nvidia Nsights, GEM5, SNIPER simulator, Arduino, Keil, CubeMX, EAGLE PCB Design, NGSPICE, GNU Radio, Fusion 360

## Extracurricular

-  **Football**
- Participated in and won numerous football tournaments at both school and college levels.
  - Represented the college football team at a third-division football league.
-  **National Service Scheme**
- Engaged in public speaking and outreach activities focusing on environmental education
  - Empowered attendees with the significance of individual actions in preserving resources