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EDUCATION

University of Michigan (U of M)

Ann Arbor, USA

Doctoral Candidate, Civil Engineering (Structures) & Scientific Computing | GPA: 4.0/4.0

Aug '21 - Present

Coursework: Machine Learning, Numerical Linear Algebra, Theory of Elasticity, Programming for Engineers (C++), Statistics & Data Analysis

University of Michigan (U of M)

Ann Arbor, USA

Master of Science in Engineering, Civil Engineering (Structures) | GPA: 4.0/4.0

Sep '19 - Apr '21

Coursework: Plastic Analysis & Design of Frames, Finite Element Methods, Non-linear Analysis, Deployable & Reconfigurable Structures, Reliability of Structures, Infrastructure Systems Optimization, Wood Structures

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT-B)

Mumbai, India

Bachelor of Technology with Honors, Civil Engineering | GPA: 8.5/10.0

Jul '15 - Apr '19

Coursework: Reinforced & Pre-stressed Concrete Design, Bridge Engineering, Steel Structure Design, Dynamics of Structures

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Tunable Hydrodynamic Characteristics of Shape Morphing Curved Crease Origami Hulls

U of M, USA

Research Assistant | Advisor: Prof. Evgueni Filipov

Sep '20 - Present

- Innovated a novel technique for manufacturing high-speed planing hulls utilizing curved crease origami, resulting in shape-morphing planing hulls with on-demand tunable hydrodynamic performance
- Developed a comprehensive software package that integrates curved origami folding, shape matching with crease pattern optimization, geometry generation, and hydrodynamic analyses using MATLAB, AutoCAD, and Powersea
- Conducted extensive research and testing on various materials such as PVC, Ultem, Mylar, and Aluminum to evaluate their strength and durability during the curved folding process

Hurricane Induced Surge & Wave Forces on Coastal Bridges

IIT-B, India

Undergraduate thesis | Advisor: Dr. Jaydipta Ghosh

Jul '18 - Apr '19

- Studied the phenomenon of deck unseating observed in coastal bridges in the event of hurricane induced surge and waves
- Developed a coupled Fluid-Structure Interaction model of US Highway 90 bridge over Biloxi Bay in ANSYS subjected to waves under varying surge levels & validated results by comparing uplift & slamming forces with experimental observations

Soil Moisture Mapping Using P-Band Radiometer

Monash University, Australia

International Summer Research Experience | Advisor: Dr. Jeffery Walker

May '18 - Jul '18

- Collected ground samples to build a time series dataset of parameters like soil moisture & temperature, ground roughness, particle size distribution, vegetation water content, & NDVI
- Analyzed ground samples & radiometer data to aid the development of soil moisture retrieval algorithm in the P-band frequency spectrum, leading to 15cm ground penetrability over 5cm penetrability achieved with L-band radiometers

JOURNAL PAPERS

- Patil, H. Y., Maki, K., and Filipov, E. T. (In Prep.) Tunable Hydrodynamic Characteristics Using Shape Morphing Curved-Crease Origami Hulls

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Patil, H. Y., and Filipov, E. T. (2022) "Adaptable Hull Hydrodynamics using Shape Morphing Curved-Crease Origami", *ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition*, Columbus, OH, Oct 30 – Nov 3, 2022
- Woodruff, S. R., Patil, H. Y., and Filipov, E. T. (2022) "Curved Crease Origami for Functional Shape-Morphing Structures", *ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition*, Columbus, OH, Oct 30 – Nov 3, 2022
- Patil, H. Y., and Filipov, E. T. (2022) "Hydrodynamic Characteristics of Shape Morphing Curved-Crease Origami Surfaces", *ASCE Engineering Mechanics Institute Annual Conference*, Baltimore, MD, May 31 – June 3, 2022

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Instructor (GSI)

ENG 100 - Introduction to Adaptable and Deployable Structures | College of Engineering

U of M, USA

Jan '23 - Apr '23

- Facilitated weekly laboratory sessions for 40 undergraduate students, promoting critical thinking and active participation in learning Computer Aided Design and Arduino programming through interactive activities
- Developed and delivered course materials, including lectures, assignments, and assessments, to align with departmental goals and standards
- Provided personalized feedback and guidance to students, enhancing their understanding of course concepts and improving their writing skills for individual and team assignments
- Assisted with course administration tasks, including grading, record-keeping, and collaborating with other instructors to ensure course consistency
- Supervised students in completing their term project, overseeing the design, analysis, fabrication, and testing of deployable structures

Course Grader

CEE 312 - Analysis of Structures | Civil & Environmental Engineering

U of M, USA

Sep '20 - Dec '20

- Graded weekly assignments for a class of 40 students which covers basic analysis & design concepts in structural engineering like virtual work, flexibility method, stiffness method, influence lines, and matrix structural analysis

LEADERSHIP & ORGANISATIONAL ROLES

Student Mentor

Summer Research Internship Program | Deployable & Reconfigurable Structures Lab

U of M, USA

May '21 - Aug '21

- Mentored Jared Davis-Sims in *Design & Fabrication of Large Scale Curved Crease Origami Structures*

Student Mentor

Department Academic Mentorship Program | The Department of Civil Engineering

IIT-B, India

Apr '18 - Mar '19

- Assisted two junior-year students in setting achievable short-term and long-term goals to enhance their academic performance and excel in extracurricular activities
- Collaborated closely with academic advising faculty to integrate curriculum modifications based on feedback to support students on academic probation.

Head of Media & Marketing

The Entrepreneurship Cell, IIT-B | Largest student-run body promoting entrepreneurship in India

IIT-B, India

Mar '17 - Feb '18

- Worked in a 22-member core team to organize various international & national events within an annual budget of **\$290,000**
- Spearheaded a 2-tier team of 40 students to handle media associations, event coverage & social media-marketing
- Successfully negotiated terms of association with top media houses in India, bringing in deliverables worth **\$140,000**
- Achieved **150%** YOY increase in social media followers by launching targeted campaigns & forming brand integrations

AWARDS

- 2022 ASME IMECE National Science Foundation Student Poster Competition Travel Grant worth \$1,200
- 2021-22 Rackham Conference Travel Grant worth \$900
- 2021 Michigan Institute of Computational Discovery and Engineering fellowship worth \$4,000
- 2019 Narotam Sekhsaria Foundation's Post Graduate Scholarship worth \$28,500 (among top 0.16% applicants)
- 2019 K.C. Mahindra Education Trust's Post Graduate Scholarship worth \$5,700 (among top 4.65% applicants)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Analysis & Design Tools

ANSYS, Abaqus, AutoCAD, Revit, Fusion360, STAAD.Pro, ETABS, POWERSEA

Software Packages

Microsoft Office, Adobe (Photoshop, Lightroom and Illustrator)

Programming Experience

MATLAB, Python, C++, Arduino, R, HTML, CSS, GAMS

COURSE PROJECTS

Solving Wordle using Deep Reinforcement Learning

EECS 545 Machine Learning | Source Code

U of M, USA

Winter '22

- Implemented the Advantage Actor-Critic Deep Reinforcement Learning method to solve the 4, 5, and 6-letter variations of Wordle, showcasing advanced knowledge of machine learning techniques and algorithms

- Developed a Gym environment for Wordle by designing the state representation, reward function, and dictionary reduction functionality
- Investigated the performance of word-level and character-level predictor models with varying sizes of the action space, demonstrating a strong understanding of statistical analysis and data processing techniques

Analysis of Wooden Arch Bridge using STAAD.Pro

U of M, USA

ARCH 544 Wood Structures

Winter '21

- Performed comprehensive analysis of glued laminated bridge members of the Eagle River Timber Bridge (Michigan, USA) using STAAD.Pro and AISC 1994 Code, subject to load combinations specified by AASHTO LRFD Guidelines

Optimization of Traffic Flow Network

U of M, USA

CEE 553 Infrastructure Systems Optimization

Fall '21

- Optimized the total travel time for a transportation network of automated vehicles by utilizing the General Algebraic Modeling System (GAMS)

Arduino-driven Equatorial Mount (Star Tracker) for Astrophotography

U of M, USA

CEE 575 Sensing for Infrastructure Systems

Fall '21

- Designed and fabricated an Arduino-driven equatorial mount under \$50, optimized for tracking deep-sky objects and capturing high-quality astrophotographs

Origami Inspired Foldable Bridge with Rigid Thick Panels

U of M, USA

CEE 501 Deployable and Reconfigurable Structures

Winter '20

- Utilized Fusion360 to model the kinematics of zipper-coupled Miura origami tubes, incorporating rigid thick panels to develop a flat-packable, deployable bridge

Geometric Non-linear Analysis of Truss Structures

U of M, USA

CEE 512 Non-linear Analysis

Winter '20

- Developed a matrix structural analysis program in MATLAB by implementing Newton-Raphson & Arc-Length algorithms to perform geometric non-linear analysis of two-dimensional truss structures

Delineation of Water Bodies from Satellite Imagery

IIT-B, India

CE 712 Digital Image Processing

Autumn '17

- Developed a MATLAB program to accurately identify and delineate water bodies from LANDSAT-8 satellite images using various water indices, including NDWI, MNDWI, and AWEI, resulting in a binary image output