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MS in Solid Mechanics

RESEARCH Computational Mechanics Interests

EDUCATION Brown University
Ph.D. in Solid Mechanics 2018 - present

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur

Bachelor's and Master's (Dual degree) in Mechanical Engineering 2016

RESEARCH Graduate Student Researcher 2018 - present Experience Advisor: Prof. David Henann

Solid Mechanics, Brown University

Research Assistant 2016-17

Advisor: Prof. Venkatesan

Department of Aerospace, IIT Kanpur

Research Assistant 2015-16

Advisor: Prof. Pankaj Wahi

Mechanics & Applied Mathematics Group, IIT Kanpur

Computational: Finite element analysis, Structural analysis, Numerical methods, Molecular dynamics.

*Programming languages*: MATLAB, Python, Fortran, C. *Softwares*: Abaqus, LAMMPS, Mathematica, Ovito, Maple.

Constitutive modeling of size segregation-flow in dense granular materials (May' 18 - Present)

• Formulated constitutive equations for segregation dynamics in bidisperse granular mixtures

- Coupled the model for segregation dynamics with rheological constitutive equations for dense granular mixtures by developing a novel continuum-scale model that enables predictive modeling at large length scales
- Generalized the coupled model in a finite-deformation, elasto-plastic framework which facilitates simulating the segregation/flow dynamics under different loading conditions
- Implemented the coupled continuum framework in the commercial finite-element code Abaqus using a user element (UEL) subroutine
- Used Python scripting in Abaqus to automate several pre/post-processing operations

## Discrete element method (DEM) modeling of dense granular mixtures (May' 18 - Present)

- Performed large-scale particle-level simulations which enabled extraction of high fidelity information at small length scales to inform and assess the development of the coupled continuum model for size segregation and flow
- · Studied diverse boundary-driven and gravity-driven flows using LAMMPS
- Developed coarse-graining methods to map grain-scale information to continuum-scale

## Pressure sensitive shear zones in hydrogel suspensions

(May' 22 - Present)

2018

Collaborators: Zohreh Farmani and Joshua Diksman, Wageningen University. Nazanin Ghods, TU Graz

- Used nonlocal continuum modeling to study shear localization in dense hydrogel suspensions in a boundary-driven flow geometry
- Implemented nonlocal granular rheology model using Abaqus UEL subroutine
- Tested model performance against MRI-PIV experimental measurements and DEM simulations

Dagger

TECHNICAL SKILLS

PHD THESIS

| MASTERS<br>THESIS       | <ul> <li>Modeling the dynamics of the string vibrating against a rigid obstacle (May '15 - Jul '16)</li> <li>Derived the equations of motion for the system using extended Hamilton's principle</li> <li>Performed reduced order modeling using Galerkin projection method</li> <li>Perfomed stability analysis of equations with periodic coefficients using Floquet theory</li> </ul> |           |  |
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| SELECTED                | Torsional properties of beams with arbitrary cross section (Sep'16 -  | April'17) |  |
| Projects                | • Studied the discrepancy in torsional frequency of I-beams between FEM and analytical solutions  |           |  |
|                         | • Developed series solutions estimating the torsional rigidity of beams with arbitrary cross-section  |           |  |
|                         | Exam schedule optimization (Jan'15  | - May'15) |  |
|                         | <ul> <li>Formulated a well posed linear programming problem with an objective to optimize t<br/>schedule given number of days, preference of students with other soft and hard const</li> </ul>   |           |  |
| Conferences             | Society of Engineering Science (SES) Annual Meeting, Texas, US. Talk.   | 2022      |  |
|                         | Gordan Reserch Conference, Granular Matter, Stonehill college, US. <i>Poster</i> . [Poster]   | 2022      |  |
|                         | American Physics Society (APS) March Meeting, Chicago, US. Talk. [Link]   | 2022      |  |
|                         | Society of Engineering Science (SES) Annual Meeting. Virtual. [Poster]  | 2021      |  |
|                         | 9th European Nonlinear Dynamics Conference, Budapest, Hungary. Talk. [Paper]  | 2017      |  |
|                         | International Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics , Montreal, Canada. [Poster]  | 2016      |  |
|                         | International Conference on Structural Nonlinear Dynamics and Diagnosis, Marrakesh, Morocco. <i>Talk</i> . [Paper]  | 2016      |  |
|                         | International Conference on Advances in Dynamics, Vibrations and Control, NIT Durgapur, India. <i>Talk</i> . [Paper]  | 2016      |  |
| JOURNAL<br>PUBLICATIONS | Continuum modeling of shear-strain-rate-gradient-driven size-segregation in dense, bidisperse granular flows, with Daren liu and David Henann. In Preparation. [arxiv] Continuum modeling of pressure-gradient-driven size-segregation in dense, bidisperse granular flows, with Daren liu and David Henann. In Preparation.  |           |  |
|                         | Finite element implementation of segregation dynamics coupled with nonlocal granular rheology, with Shihong Li and David Henann. In Preparation   |           |  |
|                         | Pressure sensitive non-local behaviour in hydrogel suspension, with Zohreh Farmani,<br>Nazanin Ghods, David Henann and Joshua Diksman. In Preparation   |           |  |
|                         | Harkirat Singh and Pankaj Wahi. <i>Non-planar vibrations of a string in the presence of a boundary obstacle</i> . Journal of Sound and Vibration, 389, 326-349.[PDF]  |           |  |
|                         | Harkirat Singh and Pankaj Wahi. Role of curvatures in determining the characteristics of a strvibrating against a doubly curved obstacle. Journal of Sound and Vibration, 402, 1-13. [PDF]  |           |  |
| Awards /                | Poster award at SES conference  | 2021      |  |
| Honors                  | President Fellowship at Brown University  | 2017-20   |  |

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|                        | President Fellowship at Brown University  | 2017-20                                    |
|                        | 4 year Doctoral fellowship at UBC (*not pursued)  | 2017                                       |
|                        | Cambridge India Ramanujan Scholarship (*not pursued)  | 2017                                       |
| TEACHING<br>EXPERIENCE | Teaching assistant for Advanced Solid Mechanics (ENGN 1750) Teaching assistant for Mechanics of Solids and Structures (ENGN 0310) | (Sep '20 - Dec '20)<br>(Sep '19 - Dec '19) |

| RELEVANT | Continuum Mechanics     | Solid Mechanics        |
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| Courses  | Computational Mechanics | Plasiticity            |
|          | Fracture Mechanics      | Stress Waves in Solids |
|          | Non-Linear Vibration    | Aeroelasticity         |

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