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Publications

• Senapati, T., **Karnad**, **A.K**. & Senapati, K. Phase biasing of a Josephson junction using Rashba–Edelstein effect. **Nature Communications** 14, 7415 (2023)

Relevant Work Experience

2022-23 Research Software Engineer, MPI FOR THE STRUCTURE AND DYNAMICS OF MATTER, Hamburg. Worked on Computational Scientific support, massively parallel HPC codes and HPC infrastructure maintenance (hardware and software), contributed to the development of python packages like: Postopus - POSTprocessing of OctoPUS simulations; mpsd-software-manager. Supported scientists in creating open-source, reproducible scientific software workflows.

Skills

Computational: • Python (pyVISA, pytest, numpy, pandas, xarray, scipy, plotting libraries) • Shell (bash, zsh, nu) • Git • LabVIEW • LTspice • Docker • LATEX • 3D CAD modeling (Onshape, Fusion 360) • PCB Design (Eagle CAD) • Matlab • JavaScript • C++ • Illustrations (Inkscape, Blender) • CI/CD (Gitlab CI, buildbot, Github CI)

Instrumentation: • Photolithography • DC Magnetron sputtering • Physical Property Measurement System (**DCR** and VSM) • **SEM**, **FIB and GIS**

Education

2022	BITS - PILANI UNIVERSITY, INDIA Int. MSc. Physics and B.E Electronics and Instrumentation (Dual Major) CGPA - 7.71 / 10.0
2017	VVS GJ PU COLLEGE, MYSORE - CLASS 12^{th} KSEB Board. Marks : Physics - 100% , Chemistry - 96% , Mathematics 99%
2015	DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL - CLASS 10^{th} CBSE Board. 9.8/10 CGPA

Honors and Awards

2023	2nd place, Kühne+Nagel and Google hackathon: Created AutoQuote, an AI service that automatically replies to customer email with a price quote for shipment requests.
2023	2nd place, ADLIFE hackathon: Created an LLM based solution to classify statements in a medical guidelines into diagnostic, therapeutic, warning remarks.
2023	1st place, Rad-Daten-Hackathon: worked on comfybikes.de an app to suggest optimal saddle height for your bike using image detection.

- 1st place, COMPAR EU hackathon: Created an AI-based solution for a data platform which helps patients manage their serious chronic illness.
- National top 30 in NGPE-19 exam (Graduate physics exam with 11372 candidates).
- 2019 3rd place in Open CBR Hackathon *organised by University of Leeds*.
- 2018 Awarded Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) 2017 Fellowship by Govt. of India.
- 2018 Offered Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE) 2017 Scholarship by *Govt. of India*.
- 2016 Awarded ISCA Travel award by *Infosys Foundation*.
- 2014-16 Participated in 103rd Indian Science Congress held at Mysore, India (2016); IRIS science fair organised by *Intel* at Delhi, India (2016); Rashtriya Kishore Vaigyanik Sammelan of 102nd Indian Science Congress held at Mumbai, India (2015); 41st Jawaharlal Nehru National Science Exhibition at Chandigarh (2014) (Presenting the device stated as "A Novel Stove Stand").

Projects and Experiences

Past Projects

- Studying the effect of high spin orbit coupling material in Josephson Junctions, at Super-conductivity lab, NISER, Bhubaneswar, India.
- Design of a cryogenic probe for transport measurements at Superconductivity lab, NISER, Bhubaneswar, India.
- Design and Simulation of Battery Management System Algorithms for Electric Vehicle Applications. *Kaynes Technology India Pvt Limited, Mysore, India*.
- Simulation of IR seeker missiles and its counter measure in *Defence Avionics Research Establishment DRDO, Bangalore, India.*
- GrayBlock Power: Decentralized financing of energy projects via smart contracts written on public blockchains. (Worked as software developer and project coordinator)
- Team Imitato: Designing an exosuit to control a humanoid that can be beneficial in reaching in-accessible and non-human conditions. (Worked as Electronics, Communication and Haptics Control head)
- A Novel Stove Stand: Designed and built a contraption to harness electricity (about 20W) from the otherwise wasted heat energy produced while burning LPG gas for cooking. It also reduced the cooking time.
- Past electronics team member of **Hyperloop India** and **Project Kratos**.

For more completed projects visit my web page, ashwinschronicles.github.io

Ongoing Projects

• **comfybikes.de:** A simple and smart app that helps you find the optimal saddle height for your bike using image detection techniques.

• Mechanistic interpretability of Neural networks: reverse-engineering neural networks from the learned weights down to human-interpretable algorithm.

Relevant Coursework

PHYSICS: • Quantum Mechanics I&II • Non-Linear Dynamics • Solid State Physics • Atomic and molecular Physics • Nuclear and Particle Physics • Quantum Information and Computing • Quantum Information Theory • Electromagnetic theory I&II • Classical Mechanics • Statistical Mechanics

ELECTRONICS: • Analog and Digital VLSI design • Microelectronics • Microprocessors and interfacing • Digital circuits • Electric Machines • Signals and Systems • Control Systems • Digital Image Processing • Modern Control Systems • Transducers and measurement techniques • Electronics instruments & instrumentation technology • Object Oriented Programming

List of Referees

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