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Educational Qualifications			
Degree/Certificate	Year of Passing	Institute	CGPA/%
B.Tech in Electrical Engineering	2011	Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur	8.41/10
ISC	2007	M.P.Birla Foundation H.S.School, Kolkata	93%
ICSE	2005	M.P.Birla Foundation H.S.School, Kolkata	95%

Select Projects

Robosoccer, IIT Kharagpur

(2009 - 2010)

- Robosoccer is one of its kind societies in India with single motive to excel in the challenging field of robosoccer.
- It requires extensive usage of artificial intelligence and highly optimized hardware for success.
- This year we were the only Indian team to participate in the FIRA robot soccer world cup 2010.
- The hardware design of robots is being considered for a <u>patent</u>.

Wireless Monitoring and Control of Power Systems, IIT Kharagpur

(2008 - 2009)

- Software developed for the control station which could monitor and control wireless devices
- It could also perform offline and real-time simulations of a power system.
- The <u>demo version</u> of this software named Power Network Simulator <u>released</u> by PowerSys Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

Use of neural networks and genetic algorithms to reduce bandwidth requirement for satellite imagery

(2009)

• This project involved designing algorithms for artificial coloration and super-resolution using soft computing tools like neural networks and genetic algorithms.

Internships

- SLAM (Simultaneous Localization And Mapping) for industrial automation, Summer Internship at TU Munich (2010)
 - The task was to use SLAM techniques for autonomous navigation in highly cluttered indoor industrial environments.
 - The implementation was done on two robots –an industry standard mobile robotics platform and a quadrocopter.
 - The project was demonstrated to AUDI.

SLAM for autonomous farming, Summer Internship at University of Thessaly, Greece

(2009)

This project is a part of the EU FutureFarm project, the <u>largest farm automation project in Europe</u>.

Positions of Responsibility

Convener, Robocup Challenge @ India 2010. (www.robocup.in) (Nominated)

(2010)

- o This event is the affiliated Indian League for the international RoboCup event.
- o It also features a conference co-hosted by IEEE Kharagpur section.
- Responsible for creation of Kharagpur RoboSoccer Students Group under SRIC for managing the RoboSoccer project and this event.
- MoU signed with RoboSoft Systems for conducting robotics workshops across the country.
- Captain, Hardware Modelling Team, Patel Hall of Residence (Nominated)

(2010-2011)

Head, Technology Robotics Society (Nominated)

(2009-2010)

Awards and Achievements

- Certificate of Appreciation for participation in Robocup Challenge @ India 2009.
- Selected for fully sponsored industrial visit called "Bosch On Track 2009" organized by Bosch in Bengaluru.
- Certificate of Appreciation for being a finalist in on-spot Analog and Digital circuit design contest, Anadigix in Kshitij 2010.
- Certificate of Appreciation for being a finalist in ACM certified on-spot programming event Overnite in Kshitij 2010.
- 2nd Prize in Nightshift, Kshitij 2009, an on-spot robotics competition certified by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.
- 3rd Prize in Envision 2009, a Product Design competition.
- Best Fresher award in an international online programming event 'Mission Mars' in Kshitij 2008.
- Finalist and only team from IIT Kharagpur in IMAGE, an image processing based robotics event in Kshitij, 2008.
- Among the 25 students who were selected for Bachelor of Statistics Course in Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata (2007)
- National Top 1% in National Standard Examination in Physics and Chemistry(2006)