

# Mitali Meratwal

## Curriculum Vitae



## EDUCATION

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- **Indian Institute of Technology Bombay** (2019-(Expected) 2023)  
*Bachelor of Technology with Honours, Electrical Engineering*  
*Department Rank 10 amongst 76 students; Major CPI: 9.56/10*  
*Pursuing a minor in Computer Science; Minor CPI: 9.67/10*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **Multi-camera and multi-person indoor activity recognition for continuous health monitoring using long short term memory** [Paper]  
*Mitali Meratwal, Nicolai Spicher, Thomas Deserno* (Published in SPIE Medical Imaging 2022)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Secured **All India Rank 116** in *JEE Mains* emerging as **City Topper** and **State Girls' Topper** (2019)
- Secured **All India Rank 789** in *JEE Advanced* competing against 225 thousand candidates (2019)
- Recipient of **KVPY** fellowship awarded to top 1% by IISc and Government of India (2019)

## INTERNSHIPS

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**Intelligent Attribution** (May'22 - June'22)  
Company: Microsoft India | Software Engineering Intern Hyderabad, India

- Worked with the **Digital Security and Resilience** team on intelligent insights from millions of data records
- Designed and implemented a **scoring heuristic** to identify the best resource owner based on dynamic features
- Improved attribution significantly, enforcing **effective remediation** and judicious distribution among owners
- Deployed on **Azure Functions** and created a **PowerBI** dashboard for graphical analysis and comparison
- Received an offer to join full-time after graduation from the company for performance during internship

**Special Discounts** (Dec'22)  
Company: Fraazo | Tech Intern Mumbai, India  
A D2C delivery startup for fresh farm produce serving 200k households daily

- Worked as **backend** engineer to develop internal **APIs** using Ruby on Rails and Active Record Query Interface
- Redesigned APIs for management of special discounts by admin users and reduced query time by tenfold
- Improved **efficiency** and **reduced data leakage** in payload of many APIs

**Action Recognition in Smart Homes** (May'21 - Aug'21)  
Prof. Thomas M. Deserno | Research Internship TU Braunschweig, Germany

- Developed video analysis framework for **multi-camera, multi-person activity recognition** in smart homes
- Tested performance of existing work on enhanced **pose estimators** like OpenPose, AlphaPose, LightTrack
- Designed multi-layer **LSTMs** with **attention** block for **temporal modelling** and CNN for spatial dynamics
- Upgraded person tracking with **YOLOv4+Deepsort** to support re-identification and handle occlusions
- Expanded dataset to **300GB** and improved recall on realistic and simulated fall datasets from **79%** to **99%**

## RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL PROJECTS

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### Multi-Process Service and FaaS GPU

(Aug'22-Present)

Prof. Purushottam Kulkarni and Prof. Umesh Bellur | R&D Project

CS Dept., IIT Bombay

- Benchmarked **interference effects** of NVIDIA's MPS on colocation of multiple processes on modern GPUs
- Analysed impact on **GPU performance** with different mixes of workloads and GPU **core restrictions**
- Autogenerated **function variants** across multiple axes and built use case for schedulers in FaaS platforms

### Speech-text alignment

(Aug'22-Present)

Prof. Preeti Rao | Bachelor Thesis Project

EE Dept., IIT Bombay

- Critically evaluated performance of different stages of Vakyanish **audio processing** toolkit for news broadcasts
- Identified systematic errors and tested on improved **voice activity detection** in presence of background music
- Implemented speech segment to **text alignment** using **string similarity score** in moving ngram windows

### Automatic Speech Recognition

(Jan'22 - April'22)

Prof. Preethi Jyothi | CS753 Course Project

CS Dept., IIT Bombay

- Performed **main speaker identification** and **localization** using an audio-visual transformer approach
- Fine-tuned Coqui speech to text models pretrained on English to build **Marathi** and **Kannada** ASR systems using extremely low resource **multilingual data** while minimizing word error rates
- Designed **word prediction** and **sentence creation** models using trigram **language model** and **FSTs**

### Low-Light Image Enhancement

(Aug'21 - Nov'21)

Prof. Amit Sethi | EE610 Course Project

EE Dept., IIT Bombay

- Implemented different methods based on **retinex theory** and **dual-tree complex wavelet transform**, and **illumination map estimation** to enhance visibility of images captured under low light conditions
- Compared the performance against patch-wise, central pixel value predicting CNN model

### Self Driving Car

(Sept'20 - July'21)

Autonomous Vehicles, Computer Vision Subsystem | Team SeDriCa, UMIC

IIT Bombay

SeDriCa is a 22 membered student team working to build India's first self-driving car with level 5 autonomy

- Developed a **Multi-Task Learning** model using uncertainty to weigh losses for **object detection** and **road segmentation** on BDD100K dataset by fusing **Scaled-YOLOv4** and **PSPNet** to reduce computation cost
- Designed and tested **cross connected network** from Faster R-CNN and PSPNet with ResNet50 backbone
- Scrutinized **Hierarchical Multi-scale attention**, **EfficientDet**, **D-LinkNet** to replace existing models

### Multi-Modal Image Registration using Unsupervised Deep Learning

(Jan'21 - April'21)

Prof. Suyash Awate | CS736 Course Project

CS Dept., IIT Bombay

- Customised **Voxelmorph** to register **cross subject brain scans** of different modalities (MRI and CT)
- Trained **CycleGAN** network to register CT scan images with their MRI counterparts on the same dataset

### Bosch's Traffic Sign Recognition Challenge

(March'21)

Inter IIT Tech Meet

IIT Guwahati

Part of 10-member team that won **Bronze** out of **23 teams** which participated

- Generated **layer wise visualisations** of the model trained by user and embeddings of dataset using **t-SNE**
- Implemented **GradCAM++** and **Lime** to enable the user to investigate incorrect predictions and devised automated scripts for explaining **failures of system** based on confusion matrix, loss and accuracy plots

### Image Super Resolution

(Dec'20)

Prof. Amit Sethi | Course Project

CMInDs Dept., IIT Bombay

- Implemented **SRGAN** to estimate high resolution images from low resolution with an aim to recover content
- Formulated a VGG based **content loss** using output features of VGG19 model pretrained on ImageNet

### The Tracking and Navigation Challenge

(Aug'20)

Autumn of Automation | UMIC

IIT Bombay

- Programmed a bot with **ROS** to solve perfect maze while avoiding obstacles using **wall follower** algorithm
- Exploited **OpenCV** and **Canny edge detection** for procuring letters present on the walls of the room
- Performed letter recognition utilizing **transfer learning** and **fine tuning** achieving best accuracy of **93%**

## Fruit Quality Predictor

(May'20-Jul'20)

Institute Technical Summer Project

IIT Bombay

- Built a **real time** application for non-invasive **quality assessment** of fruits by leveraging smartphone cameras
- Constructed a custom dataset and employed various **data augmentation** techniques to make the model robust
- Trained custom and SOTA models achieving best accuracy of 99%, 95% and 90% for banana, mango and pear

## OTHER PROJECTS

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### Low Cost POF Link Communication | *Electronic Design Lab*

(April'22)

- Built and tested **Polymer Optical Fibre** communication link for digital transmission up to 10 MHz by designing a **PRBS transmitter** with P-I-N photodiode and **trans-impedance amplifier** based receiver

### IITB-RISC | *EE739 Course Project*

(April'22)

- Designed and coded a 16-bit, 8-register, 6 stage pipelined processor computer system, IITB-RISC, using VHDL
- Optimized for performance and maximized CPI by including hazard mitigation and branch prediction techniques
- Proposed a design for a 2-way fetch superscalar processor with mitigation and branch prediction techniques

### Temperature Monitor | *Microprocessors Lab*

(March'21)

- Interfaced **LM35** temperature sensor using **ADC MCP3008** and displayed it on LCD using **embedded C**
- Played alarm while blinking LEDs at certain frequency if the average temperature falls or rises outside the range

### Front-End Web Development | *Learner's Space IIT Bombay*

(July'20)

- Designed and built a responsive personal homepage using **HTML5**, **CSS** and **JavaScript** in the boot camp

## POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

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### Department Academic Mentor

(July'21 - Present)

Department Academic Mentorship Program | Dept. of Electrical Engineering

IIT Bombay

- **Heading** the web subgroup of EE-DAMP, in charge of migrating the WordPress website to **GitHub pages**
- Mentoring Academic Rehabilitation Program student, assisting in planning out exit degree options and completion of the course credits while matching their pace of study
- Guided **4 sophomores** in their academic and co-curricular pursuits by leveraging the resources of the institute

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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<b>Languages</b>	C/C++, Python, KQL, PowerShell, Ruby, VHDL, MATLAB, Julia
<b>Libraries</b>	PyTorch, Keras, Tensorflow, OpenCV, Numpy/SciPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Pandas
<b>Softwares</b>	Git, Quartus, Keil, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, AutoCAD, SolidWorks, Audacity
<b>Development</b>	HTML, CSS, JavaScript

## KEY COURSES

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<b>Computer Science</b>	Data Structures And Algorithms, Computer Networks, Operating Systems, Medical Image Computing, Foundations of Intelligent and Learning Agents, Automatic Speech Recognition, Computer Graphics*, Foundations of Network Security and Cryptography*, Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition by Stanford University <sup>†</sup>
<b>Electrical Engineering</b>	Signal Processing, Digital Systems, Microprocessors, Control Systems, Probability and Random Processes, Speech Processing*
<b>Mathematics</b>	Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Complex Analysis

\* courses will be completed by Dec'22

<sup>†</sup> online course

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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- Volunteered for community service under National Service Scheme by recording audio books for visually impaired
- Coordinated the execution of **FInCoF** Freelancers, Interns and Co-founders Platform getting 120+ startups on board and assisted in securing 90+ internships for the students during Covid-19 (June'20)
- One among ten students selected for **Science Film Making Workshop** organised by the Vigyan Prasar Department of Science of Technology, Govt. of India and Film society of Surat, Gujarat (Oct'2016)
- Completed a DSLR workshop and served as a member of Delhi Public School Surat Photography Club (2016)
- Successfully completed **8 Level Graduate Course** of **IMA** (Intelligent Mental-Arithmetic ABACUS) (2010)