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Education

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), 2023 8/10

Materials science and Engineering, IIT Kanpur, India
Advisors: Dr. S. Sangal and Dr. Shikhar K. Jha

Master of Technology (M.Tech), 2018 7.9/10

Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, NIT Suratkal, India
Advisor: Dr. Udaya Bhat K. and Mr. Karthik Karkera (Hilti India)

Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech), 2015 69.96/100

Mechanical Engineering, UPTU Kanpur, India

Area of Expertise

Machine Learning: CNN, GANs, Random Forest, UNET, KNN, PCA and Image Processing

Characterization: Metallography, Optical microscopy, W-SEM, FE-SEM, Fractographic analysis, EBSD, TEM, XRD, XRF, OES, AFM

Mechanical testing: Tensile test, Rockwell and Vickers hardness test, 3-point bend test and sliding wear test

Coding: Python, C, HTML, Arduino, SQL

Academic Project

A novel training methodology for phase segmentation of steel microstructure using deep learning algorithm (PhD Thesis)

- A new training method is devised to generate the training dataset.
- Web application development for the above devised method.

Pearlite lamella orientation measurement using deep learning algorithms

- Pearlite lamella orientation is calculated using machine learning.
- Web application development for the above devised work.

Automated single phase microstructure cleaning and reconstruction using deep learning

- Single phase microstructure noise removal and reconstruction of broken boundaries.
- Web application development for the above devised work.

Automated grain size measurement of the single-phase microstructures using image processing

- Grain size measurement using 3 circle method.
- Web application development.

Industrial Project

Magnetic particle inspection technique development (HAL Bangalore)

- Standardization of the process.
- Developed non destructive magnetic particle inspection technique for the stub support in the category of Dornier project.

Characterization of laser welded dissimilar joints (Hilti India)

- Characterization of weldment of sintered Iron Nickel and the medium carbon steel was performed.
- Optimization and the standardization of the process of Laser welding.

Awards

- Received the **best poster presentation** award for the topic entitled “**Using a deep learning algorithm, a new way to train for phase segmentation of steel microstructure**” at the International Conference “Advances in materials: challenges & opportunities” 2022 IIT Roorkee.
- Runner- up position in Seminar Presentation award in MSE 691A seminar 2018.
- Runner up position in **Boeing National Aeromodelling** at IIT Kanpur.
- Runner up of **Mr. Fresher** of “Udbhav” during B. Tech in 2011.
- Runner up position in **senior Regional Basketball Championship**.
- **Lean six sigma** Green belt.

Professional experience

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| • Active member of Toastmaster Club IIT Kanpur | <i>Present- May23</i> |
| • Teaching Assistant , TEM, IIT Kanpur | <i>June 23-Nov 22</i> |
| • Teaching Assistant , FE-SEM IIT Kanpur | <i>Nov 22- June 21</i> |
| • Teaching Assistant , W-SEM IIT Kanpur | <i>June 21 -Nov 20</i> |
| • One Year Research Intern in Hilti India Pvt. Ltd. Surat | <i>June 18 -July 17</i> |

Positions of responsibility

- Core member of Ranjit Singh Rozi Shiksha Kendra (RSK) institute project (2022) – for employability of rural youth.
- Organized the Research Scholar Day 2022.
- Placement Coordinator in M. Tech 2017 at NIT-K, Suratkal.

Publications and Conferences

- **Nikhil Chaurasia**, S.K Jha, S. Sangal, A novel training methodology for phase segmentation of steel microstructure using deep learning algorithm, Materialia, (2023).
- **Nikhil Chaurasia**, S.K Jha, S. Sangal, Using a deep learning algorithm, a new way to train for phase segmentation of steel microstructure, “AMPCO’22-International conference”
- **Nikhil Chaurasia**, S.K Jha, S. Sangal, Segmentation of Steel Microstructures Using a Novel Training Approach via Deep Learning, “Perspectives in Materials Research” (Platinum Jubilee Conference 2022) (held in IISc Bangalore).
- **Nikhil Chaurasia**, S.K Jha, S. Sangal, Phase segmentation of the ferrite-pearlite microstructure using Machine Learning 71st Annual Technical Meet, National Metallurgists’ Day (NMD ATM), The Indian Institute of Metals (2021) (presented online).

Personal Information

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| • Date of birth: 21-July-1993 | • Language known: Hindi, English, German |
| • Sex: Male | • Hobbies: Coding, Playing Chess, Guitar |
| • Father’s Name: Mr. S.R Chaurasia | • Mother’s Name: Mrs. Shobha Chaurasia |

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