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Examination	University	Institute	Year	СРІ
Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2023	8.59

### **SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Top 25 all India: INAO | State top 1%: NSEA | Invited to OCSC, the final trials for India's delegation to the International Olympiads

#### One among the 73 undergraduates selected nationwide for NIUS (Physics) | Recipient of the KVPY fellowship – All India Rank 326 **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE** Analyst Intern | Technology Investment Strategy | New ventures arm of the Tata Group Responsible for investment analysis and for creating plans & conducting explorations in two deep-tech sectors Opportunity of up to INR 20M+ revenue per year: Developed a model for a Corporate Social Responsibility **Tata Industries** plan to generate additional channels of revenue for farmer communities in water-scarce regions of India Limited (TIL) Developed and shared insights into various ad-hoc techno-commercial opportunities that were presented to [Mar'23-Jun'23] Tata Industries Limited (TIL) with a goal of enabling senior management in decision making • Subject matter specialist: Shared working and theoretical knowledge with senior leadership to aid the development of a roadmap for the exploration of quantum computing and related quantum technologies Agriphany | Secured a grant of INR 50K through IDEAS, IIT Bombay | Carbon Credits via Sustainable Farming Co-Founder Developed marker recognition ML algorithm for drones | 92% accuracy despite vibration-induced blurry video [Feb'23-Aug'23] • Conceptualized a framework to generate agricultural carbon credits through negative emissions technologies Visiting Research Intern - Biophysics | Paris, France (on-site) | Director Guillaume Tresset Université Univ. ranked 1st in Europe and 13th globally in physics | Worked directly under a Director of Research at CNRS • Discovered correlation in viral DNA content and light absorption using a novel analysis of 10.6k+ particles Paris-Saclay [May'22-Jul'22] Performed 3 experiments by rapidly mixing protein and RNA droplets under various ambient conditions Modelled icosahedral virus formation by analysing its kinetics data on MATLAB using Monte Carlo methods **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE** "Finding Zero-index Bound states in continuum by simulating photonic crystals" | Possibility of future publication Bachelor's Thesis • Discovered parameters allowing 0% radiation losses in a crystal | Fabricating the metamaterial at LOQM, IITB Prof. A Kumar Only freshman to singlehandedly manage an entire subsystem - a role usually reserved for 3rd year students UMIC, IITB • Reduced code execution time by 45x through a custom-built algorithm – attaining almost real time speeds ML Subdivision Progress on active research problems: Developed DL code able to recognize 10-inch characters 80+ft away [Sep'19-Dec'20] International Competition: Cleared primary and secondary rounds of the Barcelona Smart Drone Challenge MELODE Labs, IITB Reservoir Training of Liquid State Machines (LSMs) using principles of Neuromorphic Computing & Engineering • Novel idea: Achieved 75% accuracy in simulating a brain disorder by hypothesising the underlying mechanism Algorithms Division ■ Analysed the working of LSMs in MATLAB by varying parameters such as synapse order & neuron quantity [Oct'21-Mar'22]

## LEADERSHIP AND ORGANISATIONAL EXPERIENCE

<b>Head of Cabinets</b>	Student Mentor Program   Department & Academic Verticals   Supported 3.6k+ undergrads				
[Feb'22-May'23]	Recommended by Deans to lead a 3-tier, 340+ member team   Student Rep. (2/10k+) in IITB's ARP Committee				
Team Building	<ul> <li>Supervised student heads of all departments; vetted the selection of 316 student mentors from 760+ applicants</li> <li>Conceptualised a 3-stage training for 440+ mentors, executed in collaboration with UK based professionals</li> </ul>				
Policy Making	<ul> <li>Projected 15% reduction of students in the Academic Rehabilitation Program by recommending 12 amendments</li> <li>Empowered 30% of the populace - low income/disabled students - by proposing a Web Accessibility Policy</li> </ul>				
Initiatives	<ul> <li>Led 6 Institute councils and pioneered 'Sophomore Immersion' for the offline onboarding of 1.3k+ students</li> <li>Acquainted 1.4k+ students across 13 departments with future opportunities by revamping 'Branch Induction'</li> </ul>				
Coordinator, Aerove [Dec'19-Jan'21]	<ul> <li>Impact: Reduced 40% of the cost per drone by identifying alternatives to cost drivers of expensive components</li> <li>Secured INR 0.8 million in funds for building autonomous drones through a proposal pitched to STPC, IRCC</li> <li>Designed the 7-day recruit training program   Enabled 30/30 beginners to build advanced ML code in 40 days</li> </ul>				
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## **EXTRACURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS**

	• Head Choreographer of the institute dance team and won prizes at prestigious competitions all over India			
Dance Tournaments	Trophies	Competitions	Significance	
	Winner	Group Dance: IIIT Hyderabad 2021	Beat 18 teams across India	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Group Dance: IIT Madras 2023	Invited to choreograph for the judge	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Group Dance: IIM Calcutta 2020	Bested professionally trained teams	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Group Dance: Inter IIT 2019	One of only 4 freshmen to clear trials	
	Finalist (3 occasions)	Street Battles, Group Dance - Moodl '20, '22	Knocked out 3x defending champions	
IBM Hackathon	■ 2 <sup>nd</sup> place: developed a twitter monitoring Al tool   Created a pitch on the spot after a last-minute pivot			