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#### Laguages:

Marathi Native
Hindi Native
English Proficient
French Basic

#### Soft Skills:

CommunicationExcellentTeam-PlayerExcellentWritingGoodLeadershipGood

## Ninad Kiran Gaikwad

PhD Candidate / Research Assistant

### Work experience

#### **Graduate Research Assistant**

Jan 2022 - Present

Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Department, WSU

- Research is focused on intelligent control of networked buildings.

#### **Machine Learning Intern**

May 2023 - Aug 2023

Research & Development Group, Edo Energy

- Developed state/parameter estimation algorithms for building thermal models.

#### Research Intern

May 2021 - Aug 2021

Energy Systems Control and Optimization Group, NREL

- Performed analysis and developed a GUI-based application for stability analysis of the two-bus inverter-based microgrid system.

#### **Graduate Assistant**

Aug 2018 - Dec 2021

Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering Department, UFL

- Developed MPC and RL-based algorithms for home energy resiliency.

#### **Research Consultant**

June 2018 - July 2018

Centre of Excellence in Complex and Nonlinear Dynamical Systems, VJTI

- Trained two graduate students to set up a self-developed renewable energy forecasting system (SWEEFA-V1.0).

#### Consultant

Dec 2017 - May 2018

Technology and Digital Innovation Group, Mytrah Energy

- Trained a team of three in data analytics and worked on the development of a real-time renewable energy forecasting system.

#### **Assistant Professor**

Jan 2017 - June 2017

Electrical Engineering Department, SPCE

- Taught a graduate course on the application of power electronics in renewable energy systems.

#### Jr. Project Fellow

Aug 2016 - Jan 2017

Gujarat Energy & Research Management Institute

- Supported the institute's training programs in renewable energy and continued the development of the renewable energy forecasting system (SWEEFA)

#### Research Intern

Aug 2015 - June 2017

Gujarat Energy & Research Management Institute

- Developed a complete GUI-based application for renewable energy forecasting using ANN, ARIMA and NWP.

Note: Exhaustive list of experiences present in CV

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#### **Power Systems Software:**

#### **Programming Skills:**

MATLAB Excellent
Python Excellent
Julia Good
C Basic
C++ Basic

#### **Energy Systems Software:**

SimPowerSystemsExcellentOpenDSSGoodMATPOWERBasic

#### **Energy Systems Software:**

**EnergyPlus** Excellent **PVSyst** Good

#### **Optimization Packages:**

Gurobi Excellent
CasADi Excellent
CVX Good
Pyomo Basic
JuMP Basic

#### **ML Packages:**

**TensorFlow** Good **PyTorch** Basic

#### **RL Packages:**

TensorForce Good RL-Coach Basic tf\_agent Basic

#### **Education**

# PhD in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Jan 2022 - Present

Washington State University (WSU), Pullman

Major areas of study: Power Systems Analysis, Power Systems Dynamics and Control, and Estimation Theory.

#### **MS in Computer Science**

Jan 2022 - Present

Washington State University (WSU), Pullman

Major areas of study: Machine Learning, Data Science, and Algorithmics.

#### MS in Mechanical Engineering

Aug 2018 - Dec 2021

University of Florida (UFL), Gainesville

Major areas of study: Control Theory, Probability, Optimization, Machine Learning and Reinforcement Learning.

#### **MTech in Electrical Engineering**

Aug 2014 - June 2016

Sardar Patel College of Engineering (SPCE), Mumbai

Major areas of study: Electrical Machine Analysis, Power Electronic Drives, Power System Dynamics and Control.

## MProfEng in Electrical Engineering (One Semester)

Feb 2014 - June 2014

University of Wollongong (UOW), Wollongong

Major areas of study: Power Systems and Renewable Energy Technologies.

#### **BTech in Electrical Engineering**

Aug 2008 - June 2012

Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI), Mumbai

Major areas of study: Power Engineering and Control Systems.

### **Publications**

Reinforcement Learning-Based Home Energy Management System for Resiliency, Oral Presentation at ACC-2021, IEEE Conference, May 2021, New Orleans, USA

Smart Home Energy Management System for Power System Resiliency, Oral Presentation at CCTA-2020, IEEE Conference, August 2020, Vancouver, Canada

On The Development of Solar & Wind Energy Forecasting Application Using ARIMA, ANN And WRF in MATLAB, Oral Presentation at INDIACom-2017, IEEE Conference, March 2017, Delhi, India

Photovoltaic Grid Connected Plant Energy Estimation Application in MATLAB, Oral Presentation at PVSEC-26, October 2016, Singapore