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Examination	University	Institute	Year	CPI / %
Graduation	IIT Bombay	IIT Bombay	2026	8.74
Intermediate	DPUE	The Learning Centre PU College,	2022	95.33%
		Mangalore		
Matriculation	KSEEB	Vidya Bharati School, Bhatkal	2020	98.72%

Pursuing Minor degree in Data Science and Machine Learning, C-MInDS, IIT Bombay

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS _

- Received an AP grade in the MS101 course, achieved by only 7 individuals out of 600+ students. (2023)
- Achieved a **Change of Branch** to the department of **Mechanical Engineering** (B.Tech) among **31** out of **1300**+ students owing to excellent academic performance (2023)
- Secured Karnataka State Rank 46 among 216k+ candidates who appeared for KCET examination (2022)
- Procured **99.65** in **Joint Entrance Examination Mains** among **0.94M**+ candidates all across India (2022)
- Among Top 2.13 percentile out of 0.16M+ candidates in Joint Entrance Examination Advanced (2022)
- Qualified for the State level Mathematics and Science Talent Search examination organized by Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat (KVRP)

KEY TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Breakout Genius - AI game master using RL \mid Season of Code 2023

(May'23 - July'23)

Built a Reinforcement Learning game master to play Atari games

WnCC, IIT Bombay

- Created Atari Breakout Game environment using OpenAI's gym package, NumPy and Pytorch
- $\bullet \ \, \text{Built a } \textbf{DQNAgent} \ \, \text{class having Convolutional Neural Networks to return relevant } \textbf{q-values} \ \, \text{and } \textbf{sample-actions} \\$
- Recorded mean rewards and Temporal Difference(TD) losses while training the model using Adam Optimiser
- Tested a pre-trained PyTorch model for 9M steps and rendered the animation to output the gameplay as a video file

Language Translation model using NLP | Learner's Space 2023

(June'23 - July'23) UGAC, IIT Bombay

English to Italian Translation model using Natural Language Processing

- Built Language Translation model from English to Italian using transformers, pipelines, and tokenizers
- Preprocessed and tokenized data, splitting into 80-20 training and testing sets using AutoTokenizer and fine-tuned it
- Evaluated the accuracy of the model using sacrebleu score to check word matchings and hence give appropriate score
- Created an interactive app environment using gradio and tested the pre-trained model saved in Google drive

Mountain Cargo Challenge | MS101 Makerspace Course Project

(May'23 - June'23)

- Guide: Prof. Ankit Jain and Prof. Dinesh. K. Sharma, IIT Bombay
- \bullet Developed an autonomous Line-follower robot that can climb inclines up to ${f 30}$ degrees with a payload of ${f 300}$ grams
- Incorporated 3 IR sensors into an Arduino UNO microprocessor, enabling it to detect and track line
- Crafted an operationally efficient design with a low COM by carefully selecting the position of the payload container
- Appreciated as one of the best MS101 bots among a batch of 600+ students and awarded certificates

Computational Linear Algebra | IITB Student Satellite Program

(Apr'23)

 $A\ 50+\ member\ student\ team\ with\ the\ vision\ of\ making\ IIT\ Bombay\ a\ center\ for\ excellence\ in\ space\ technology$

- Explored the math behind various matrix decompositions like LU,QR,Cholesky and SV decompositions
- Implemented algorithms for LU decomposition with Partial Pivoting, QR decomposition using Householder reflections, the Gram-Schmidt Process, and Cholesky decomposition in MATLAB
- Developed a code to compute Rank Approximation and eigenvalues of a matrix using Power Method

MPC controller in CLS | IITB Student Satellite Program

(Sep'23 - Present)

A 50+ member student team with the vision of making IIT Bombay a center for excellence in space technology

- Building PID control for an inverted pendulum on a motorized cart using Transfer Functions
- Implementing MPC in Closed Loop Simulation (CLS) code of by optimising quadratic objective functions

Impact Tester | ME218 Course Project

(Sep'23)

Guide: Prof. V.Kartik, Department of Mechanical Engineering

- Part of a 5-member team which designed **pendulum based** experimental setup to measure **toughness of substances**
- Used Tracker, an Image processing software to determine the change in angle and hence the energy absorbed

OTHER PROJECTS AND SEMINARS

LaTex | Learner's Space, UGAC

(July '23)

- Understood the basic LaTex syntax and created resumes, reports, newsletters, and beamer slides in Overleaf
- Incorporated AMS Math package to write complex mathematical equations and mathematical symbols

Differential Geometry | MA113 Course Project

(Jan'23)

Guide: Prof. Sudhir Ghorpade, Department of Mathematics

- Taught the topics related to curves in higher dimensions like curvature, torsion intuitively using vector calculus
- Used **Serret-Frenet equations** to prove the **Fundamental Theorem of Space-Curves** and applied them on basic examples like circle and helix

Zara - Business Analysis | SOM101 Course Project

(Sept'23)

Guide: Prof. Mayank Pareek, Shailesh. J. Mehta School of Management

- Discussed the Vision, Mission, and Goals along with the SWOT analysis of the company mentioning relevant sources
- Explained the various parts of Functional Levels, Management Levels, and the Recruitment Process of the company

EnB Buzz | Entrepreneurship Cell, IIT Bombay

(Dec'22)

Startup pitch competition conducted by E-Cell, IIT Bombay

- Pitched an Ed-Tech startup Scholizer that lists local coaching centers in an interactive app, designed in Canva
- Implemented Franchise Model which integrates a union of trustable independent coaching centres
- Set course value propositions using Standardised Rates and Coaching review through checkpoints method

Smart India Hackathon | Govt. of India

(Sep'23 - Present)

Adressing challenges faced by Ministry of Railways, Govt. of India

- Targeting issues like Crowd management using AI/ML in the existing CCTV network management
- Implementing YOLO, DeepSort and Autoencoders for crowd management, anomaly detection and crime prevention
- Selected among the top 30 teams in internal hackathon competition, among 80+ teams registered from IIT Bombay

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages

C++ | Python | LATEX

Python Libraries Software PyTorch | Pandas | Matplotlib | Numpy | Transformers | OpenAI's gym

Autodesk Fusion 360, MATLAB

Courses Undertaken _

Mechanical Engineering: Solid Mechanics and Strength of Materials*, Thermodynamics*

Makerspace, Structural Materials*, Solid Mechanics Lab*

Mathematics and Computing: Linear Algebra, Differential Equations, Differential Calculus, Integral Calculus

Computer Programming and Utilization, Programming in Data Science*,

Statistical Machine Learning and Data Mining*

Other Courses: Introduction to Classical Physics, Introduction to Quantum Physics,

Chemistry, Biology, Introduction to Design, Introduction to Management

(* - to be completed by Nov 2023)

Positions of Responsibility ___

Class Representative | First Year B.S Mathematics

(Nov'22-June'23)

- Handled classroom administration and mediated with professors for the smooth running of courses
- Organised Fresher's Party, Traditional Day, and Department Trip conducted by Mathematics Association
- Streamlined the doubts by making relevant discussion groups on online platforms.

Organizer | Mood Indigo

(Dec'22)

Asia's largest college cultural festival | Footfall: 146,000+ | Colleges: 5000+ | Events: 240+

- Assisted in managing events conducted under the Horizons department, from managing travel to managing the venue for the artists.
- Helped in documenting the Contact Information of various artists from **India and Abroad** for inviting to perform in the events of Mood Indigo 2022

Extracurricular Activities

- Completed the Junior Degree in Hindustani Classical Vocals issued by KSEEB, Karnataka ('13-15)
- Professionally trained to play Hindustani Classical Flute after a year-long training under NSO-Culturals ('22-23)
- Bagged the **Best Outgoing Student** award in Class 10th owning to overall excellence ('19-20)