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#### Education

Purdue University

West Lafayette, IN

PhD., Mechanical Engineering; GPA - 4.0/4.0

January. 2016 - Present

- Relevant courses: Uncertainty Quantification, Computational Methods in Optimization.

**Purdue University** 

West Lafayette, IN

MS., Mechanical Engineering; GPA - 3.61/4.0

August 2014-December 2015

Relevant courses: Decision Theory and Bayesian Statistics, Finite Element Method,
Computational Fluid Dynamics, Atomistic Simulations, Fluid Mechanics, Numerical Methods.

VIT University

Vellore, India

B. Tech., Mechanical Engineering; GPA - 9.04/10.0.

July 2010-May 2014

# Research Experience

Predictive Science Lab, Purdue University

West Lafayette, IN

Graduate Research Assistant

August 2014 - Present

- Research focused on Bayesian methods for uncertainty quantification.
- Developed a novel gradient-free, dimensionality reduction technique called Active subspace Gaussian process regression (ASPGP).
- Implemented Python code for ASPGP. Open source code hosted on github (see 'links' section below).

## **Publications**

• Gaussian processes with built-in dimensionality reduction: Applications to high-dimensional uncertainty propagation

Rohit Tripathy, Ilias Bilionis, Marcial Gonzalez; Journal of Computational Physics, Sept. 2016.

- Dimensionality reduction technique which relies on discovering a low dimensional manifold known as the "active subspace" which captures maximal variation of the quantity of interest.
- Method bypasses requirement of the gradient of the quantity of interest with respect to the inputs and Bayesian formulation makes the method robust to observational noise.
- Method applied to a challenging high dimensional dynamical system problem of quantifying uncertainty in properties of solitary waves propagating through granular crystals.

# Talks / Presentations

• ASME Verification and Validation Symposium Probabilistic Active subspaces (oral presentation).

### SIAM Purdue CSESC 2016

Purdue University

A novel method for gradient-free dimensionality reduction (poster presentation). March 2016

# Selected Coursework Projects

## Optimization over the Stiefel Manifold

Computational methods in optimization course, CS 520

Jan 2016 - May 2016

 Implemented, in Python, a modified form of gradient descent on manifold space, with update scheme based on the Cayley transform.

# Finite element solver for a plane stress hypoelasticity problem

Finite Element Methods course, ME 681.

Jan. 2015 - May 2015

- Implemented in Python from scratch a nonlinear finite element solver for 2D hypoelasticity problem for a square plate.

### 2-D Incompressible Navier Stokes solver

Computational Fluid Dynamics course, ME 614

Jan. 2015 - May 2015

 Implemented, in Python, from scratch, a fully conservative finite difference solver with a staggered grid formulation to solve the lid driven cavity problem.

#### Skills

Languages (In order of comfort): Python, R, MATLAB.

Deep Learning frameworks: Familiarity with caffe, Theano and tensorflow.

Other software: LATEX, git.

### Previous work experience

- Vocational Trainee, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Kanpur, India (May 2012 June 2012).
- Manufacturing intern, Scooters India, Lucknow, India (December 2012).

#### Interests

**Academic:** Uncertainty Quantification, Machine Learning, Deep learning and Artificial Intelligence, Data Analysis, Finite Element methods. Computational physics.

Membership: Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) student member (August 2015-present), SIAM Purdue chapter Treasurer (August 2016 - present)

### Links

- LinkedIn: http://tinyurl.com/p4myxe8.
- **Bitbucket**: https://bitbucket.org/rohitkt10/.
- Active subspace project github: https://github.com/PredictiveScienceLab/py-aspgp.