

# Saptadeep Debnath

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI

*Master of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering (Robotics specialization)*

*Sept 2019 - May 2021*

- **Course Highlights:** Robotic Systems lab, Mechatronic Systems Design, Mobile Robotics, Linear Feedback Control

**BITS, Pilani – Dubai Campus**, Dubai, UAE

*Bachelor of Engineering (with Hons.) in Electronics and Communication Engineering*

*Sept 2014 - May 2018*

- **Course Highlights:** Modern Control System, Computer-based Control Systems, Artificial Intelligence, Digital Image Processing
- **Achievement:** First prize in the Drone for Good University Challenge, Dubai, 2015
- **Leadership:** Team Lead for Team IFOR ([linkedin.com/company/team-ifor/](https://www.linkedin.com/company/team-ifor/)) *(Dec 2016 – May 2018)*
- **Experience:** General Secretary - IEEE Power and Energy Society *(May 2016 – May 2017)*

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Concentration Areas:** Robotics, Control Systems, UAVs & UGVs, Machine Vision, Machine Learning,
- **Programming Languages:** Python, C, C++
- **Tools and Technologies:** MATLAB, Robotic Operating System (ROS), LabVIEW, SLAM, OpenCV, TensorFlow

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Fulda University of Applied Sciences**

**Fulda, Germany**

**Research Intern**

*Winter 2018*

- Under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Alexander Gepperth at the Department of Applied Computer Science
- Worked on using Machine Learning and Computer Vision application in the field of Robotics and developed a system for recognition of freehand gestures

**Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT)**

**Jaipur, India**

**Research Intern**

*Summer 2016*

- Worked under the guidance of Dr. Santosh Kumar Vipparthi at the Department of Computer Science
- Application of LBP and SLTP method on OpenCV and MATLAB to video files for background subtraction

## ACADEMIC PROJECTS

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- **Hand Gesture Control of a Robot using Intelligent Techniques** **Fulda, Germany**  
*Bachelor Thesis*  
*Winter 2018*  
Keywords – RNN, LSTM, TensorFlow, SLAM, TurtleBot
- **Non-Linear Modelling and Simulation of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle** **Dubai, UAE**  
*Design Project*  
*Fall 2017*  
Keywords – PID, Non-Linear model, UAV
- **Indoor Localization of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle** **Dubai, UAE**  
*Design Project*  
*Winter 2017*  
Keywords – 1D LIDAR, Optical Flow, Pixhawk, UAV

## Projects for IFOR (UAV Team) at BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus

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- **SorbDrone – An Oil Spill Solution** **Dubai, UAE**  
*Submission for Drones for Good 2017*  
*2017*  
Keywords – Oil spill, hydrophobic-oil absorbing material, UAV
- **Vertical Take-off and Landing Fixed Wing Plane** **Dubai, UAE**  
*Submission for Innovator Show 2016, Abu Dhabi*  
*2016*
- **Smart Inspection of Solar Panels** **Dubai, UAE**  
*Semi-Finalist Submission for Drones for Good 2016*  
*2016*  
Keywords – Solar panels, thermal imaging, UAV.

## TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

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- Presented and published a technical paper on **Design and Development of a Non-Linear Controller for Quadrotor type Unmanned Aerial Vehicle** at the IEEE International Conference on Inventive Computation Technologies. Authors: Saptadeep Debnath and Mary Lourde R **Nov 2018**
- Published a technical paper on **Performance Evaluation by Image Processing Techniques in Archery – A Case Study** in the International Journal of New Technologies in Science and Engineering. Authors: Saptadeep Debnath and Subir Debnath **Oct 2018**
- Presented a technical paper on **Image based Biomechanical Case study of an International Archer** at the International Conference on Sports Engineering. Authors: Saptadeep Debnath and Subir Debnath **Oct 2017**
- Presented and published a technical paper on **Visual Odometry Data Fusion for Indoor Localization of an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle** at the IEEE International Conference on Power, Control, Signal & Instrumentation Engineering. Authors: Saptadeep Debnath and Jagadish Nayak **Sept 2017**
- Presented and published a paper on **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle of Team IFOR for the International Aerial Robotics Competition 2017** in the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI). Authors: Saptadeep Debnath, Anudeepsekhar Bolimera et al. **July 2017**
- Published a research **Aerodorneial-4, A Space Settlement Proposal** as a book (ISBN: 978-3-659-85700-3, Lambert Academic Publishing). Authors: Saptadeep Debnath, Rahul Pareek, Naman Jain **Apr 2016**
- Presented and published a paper on **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle of BITS Pilani, Dubai Campus for the International Aerial Robotics Competition 2015** at the Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International (AUVSI). Authors: Ganesh Ram R K, Syed Zeeshan Ahmed, Ayanava Sarkar, Saptadeep Debnath et al. **July 2015**