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#### EDUCATION

# University of Luxembourg: Doctoral Program in Computational Sciences

MSCA PhD candidate. Supervisor: Prof. Stéphane Bordas

Aug 19 - present

#### Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, India

Dual Degree: B.Tech (Mechanical) & M.Tech (Product Design),

CGPA: 8.5/10.0 Jul 12 - May 17

Minor: Industrial Engineering

# RESEARCH VISITS

#### Team Mimesis - INRIA, Strasbourg

Deep learning for biomechanical simulations. Host: Prof. Stéphane Cotin March 22 - April 22

## Technical University of Munich

Semester abroad/research assistant, Mechanical Engineering

April 16 - July 16

#### Interests

My broad interests include scientific computing and the development of interpretable, scalable AI models for their applications to diverse fields. I work on the development of computational methods to tackle challenging problems in science and engineering.

#### Publications

GOOGLE SCHOLAR
RESEARCHGATE
ORCID

- S. Deshpande, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas (2022). "Probabilistic Deep Learning for Real-Time Large Deformation Simulations". Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering (CMAME) 398, 11530. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cma.2022.115307
- S. Deshpande, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas. "MAgNET: A Graph U-Net Architecture for Mesh-Based Simulations" (2022). arXiv. https://doi.org/10.48550/arxiv.2211.00713
- **S. Deshpande**, R. I. Sosa, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas. "Convolution, aggregation & attention based deep neural networks to accelerate simulations in mechanics" (2022). arXiv. https://doi.org/10.48550/arxiv.2212.01386

# Conference Presentations & Posters

- **S. Deshpande**, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas. "Real Time Hyper-elastic Simulations with Probabilistic Deep Learning". World Congress on Computational Mechanics (WCCM-XV), Japan (2022).
- **S. Deshpande**, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas. "Real-Time Large Deformation Simulations Using Probabilistic Deep Learning Framework". The Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing (PASC) Conference, Basel (2022).
- A. Mazier, T. Lavigne, J. Lengiewicz, **S. Deshpande**, S. Urcun, S. Bordas. "Towards real-time patient-specific breast simulations: from full-field information to surrogate model". World Congress of Biomechanics, Taipei (2022).
- **S. Deshpande**, J. Lengiewicz, S.P.A. Bordas. "Real-time large deformations: A probabilistic deep learning approach". The 8th European Congress on Computational Methods in Applied Sciences and Engineering, Norway (2022).
- S. Deshpande, S. Bordas, L. Beex, S. Cotin, A. Sarkica. "Data Driven Surgical Simulations". World Congress on Computational Mechanics (WCCM-XIV), Paris (2020).
- **S. Deshpande**, S. Natarajan. "Domain Decomposition Finite Element Method-FETI". The First National Finite Element Developers Meet, Vikram Sarabhai Space Center, India (2017).

Review
ACTIVITIES

Applied Mathematical Modeling (Journal, Impact factor: 5.1)

#### OTHER TALKS

Informal PhD presentation (click on the year to see the talk)

Team MIMESIS Seminar, INRIA

Machine Learning Seminar, Team Legato, University of Luxembourg

First Finite Element Developers Meet: Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre

2020, 2021, 2021

# PhD Thesis

#### Scalable deep learning techniques for scientific simulations

Supervisor: Prof. Stéphane Bordas, University of Luxembourg

Aug 19 - Ongoing

- PhD candidate in 'Rapid Biomechanics Simulation for Personalized Clinical Design' (ITN RAINBOW), a Marie Sklodowska-Curie European Training Network.
- Working on a broad range of deep learning techniques for efficient learning on scientific data.

#### Baysian CNNs for real-time large deformation simulations

article

preprint

- Developed a **Bayesian U-Net surrogate framework**, which can accurately predict **non-linear deformations** of soft bodies along with the associated aleatoric and epistemic uncertainties.

#### MAgNET: A geometric deep learning framework for mesh-based simulations preprint

- A novel framework for efficient supervised learning on high dimensional graph-structured data.
- Proposed new deep learning layers: Multichannel Aggregation (MAg) and graph pooling/unpooling.
- MAg extends the concept of convolutional layers to arbitrary non-grid inputs such as graphs.
- Pooling layers enable efficient learning through reduced representations of arbitrary graphs.

#### Attention based deep neural networks for simulating mechanics of solids

- Implemented state-of-the-art attention mechanism-based network, Perceiver IO, to simulate non-linear soft body responses in real-time (accepted in a leading journal.)
- Validated the performance against CNN and MAgNET approaches by implementing them to real-world geometries.

#### Retrieving full field deformations from partial observations of human organs in prep

- Implemented above described MAgNET framework, which takes sparse partial surface displacement inputs and predicts accurate full-field organ displacements.

#### Awards

- MSCA fellowship for pursuing doctorate degree in computational sciences. 2019-22
- Best presentation award at the Machine Learning School, University of Bern (400 CHF). 2022
- State Bank of India scholarship covering 95% of the tuition fee at IIT Madras. 2012-17
- Travel award from IWR Heidelberg to attend Bangkok Summer School on Applied Mathematics & Computational Science.
- Travel grant from IIT Madras to present at the First National Finite Element developers conference (One of the less than 10 undergraduates across the country). 2016
- **Travel grant** from IIT Madras to spend a semester at Technical University of Munich, Germany (accepted) and Seoul National University, South Korea.
- Secured a place among the top 0.3% of 0.6 million IIT-JEE aspirants, hence unlocking doors to IIT Madras, one of the best engineering institutes in India.
- Recipient of the **KVPY fellowship** from the Government of India (**top 0.5%**), offering full financial support to pursue a bachelor degree in pure sciences.
- Recipient of the **INSPIRE** fellowship from the Government of India (top 0.1%), offering full financial support to pursue a bachelor degree in pure sciences.
- Secured a region rank 6 & 26 in competitive **Regional Maths Olympiad**. 2009 & 11
- In the top 300 in India in National Standard Examination in Astronomy Olympiad. 2010
- State rank 21 in Maharashtra Talent Search Examination.

2008

#### SKILLS

Languages: Python (proficient), C, C++ (intermediate)

Machine Learning Libraries: TensorFlow, TensorFlow Probability, Keras, PyTorch

Computational Tools: Matlab, Mathematica

Design: (Adobe-) Photoshop, Lightroom, Premier Pro, After Effects Solid Modelling Tools: Autodesk Inventor, AutoCAD, CREO

Other: git, Markdown, [z|ba]sh, LaTeX

# Masters Research

#### Parallel Processing XFEM Solver for Weak Discontinuous Problems

M. Tech Thesis, Supervisor: Prof. Sundararajan Natarajan, IIT Madras Aug 16 - May 17

- Developed a domain decomposition framework for solving large scale finite element problems involving inhomogneous materials in less than 5% time of the conventional approach.
- Implemented eXtended Finite element (XFEM) along with Finite Element Tearing and interconnecting algorithm.

#### Finite Element Tearing and Interconnecting (FETI)

May 16 - Jul 16

Research Assistant, Chair of Applied Mechanics, Technical University of Munich

- Implemented massively **parallel**, **domain decomposition** numerical algorithm FETI to solve large scale static and dynamics problems arising in structural mechanics.
- Predominantly worked on preprocessing issues of FETI, explored different finite element open source tools for creating partitions with conforming/non-conforming meshes.

# Professional Experience

## Scientist/Engineer 'SC' in Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

At Space Applications Centre, Department of Space, India

Jul 17 - May 19

- Member of the team developing mechanisms in satellite payloads & ground segments.

#### Development of ground segment mechanism for GSAT-29 satellite

- Developed **country's first indigenous** high accuracy optical telescope pointing mechanism.
- It involved DFX & simulation-based design, validation, fabrication, and final integration.
- My design concept was utilized in the onboard payload, which is currently in space.

#### Development of 6 meter deployable antenna

- Large communication antennas can't be directly launched into space.
- Created a prototype for a foldable antenna whose surface is made from composite fiber mesh.
- Antenna has a fold-able metal outer ring and a cable mesh network made of composite threads
- Mathematically modeled the optimal mesh network for arbitrary paraboloid surface.

#### Gimbal mechanism for Active Radar Calibrator (ARC)

- Automated the existing manual mechanism of ARC, currently being used in Antarctica.
- The new mechanism avoided human intervention errors thus improving the measurement accuracy by several folds.

#### Automation of antenna testing procedure of Chandrayaan-2

- Developed a motor-controlled automated mechanism that reduced human intervention and decreased testing time by 95%.

# STUDENT SUPERVISION

Hardik Jeldiya, "Design and synthesis of support net configuration for deployment space antenna reflector" - Masters thesis at the ISRO.

Thomas Lavigne, "Surrogate Modeling of breast soft tissue deformation" - Masters thesis at the University of Luxembourg.

Jiajia Wang, "An investigation of real-time interactive simulations for intuitive conceptual design" - First year PhD at the University of Luxembourg.

# POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILI-TIES

#### Student Representative

June 21 - Present

- For the Doctoral School in Science and Engineering, University of Luxembourg (~600 PhDs)
- For the Department of Computational Sciences, University of Luxembourg (~60 PhDs)
- For Marie Curie ITN Rainbow network (∼15 PhDs)

#### Mentor, Avanti Fellows:

Aug 14 - May 15

Part of the team aiming to help students from less privileged backgrounds to clear competitive university entrance exams, personally mentored two students (one admitted to IIT Delhi).

#### **Envisage Coordinator, IIT Madras:**

May 13 - Jan 14

Member of India's largest student organised techno-entertainment show with a 4000 footfall.

# Relevant Coursework

Oxford Machine Learning Summer School 2022, Deep Learning Specialisation: Coursera, Inverse problems: a probabilistic approach, Uncertainty Quantification, Operations Research, Advanced Discretisation methods

# EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Outreach

2019

# Tech Fair: European Investment Bank Conference:

Demonstrated haptic technology for its uses in personalised medical simulations.

#### National Space Society Exhibition: Nashik Chapter:

2018

Organised an exhibition to educate school children on space engineering and Indian space programs. Attended by 500+ students.

#### Sports:

- Represented the University of Luxembourg in the PCU Chess cup tournament held at Antwerp.
- Winner of the Space Application Center table tennis tournament, represented my center in inter ISRO competition.
- Represented IIT Madras in the inter-college table tennis tournament.
- Captain of the hostel squash and table tennis team at IIT Madras.
- 2 gold and 2 silver medals in squash and 1 gold and 1 silver in Waterpolo in the IIT Madras sports tournament (known as Schroeter).
- Represented my district in the **Maharashtra state-level** table tennis tournament.

#### Music:

- Written/composed two songs, around 5k+ listens on social platforms: Spotify for artist profile

#### Photography:

- One of the 10 shortlisted entries of the PCU sports photo contest 2021. My photograph was exhibited in 4 international expositions in Europe: virtual exhibition link
- Portfolio with more than 7 lakh views on Pexels as of Jan 23.