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EDUCATION

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, India
Master's by Research in Applied Mechanics

Aug 2022 - Sep 2024
Cumulative GPA: 8.706/10

National Institute of Technology, Srinagar, India
Bachelor's of Technology in Civil Engineering

Aug 2017 - July 2021
Cumulative GPA: 8.435/10

PUBLICATIONS

ArXiv Pre-print

(Submitted to Journal of Computational Physics)

- **Soban Nasir Lone**, Subhayan De, Rajdip Nayek, α -VI DeepONet: A prior-robust variational Bayesian approach for enhancing DeepONets with uncertainty quantification, arXiv preprint arXiv:2408.00681 (2024), arxiv.org/abs/2408.00681

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

Aug 2022 - Present

Student Researcher - System Monitoring, Identification, and Control Research (SMICR) Group

Supervisor: *Dr. Rajdip Nayek*

Thesis: **Applying Generalised Variational Inference for Robust Uncertainty Quantification in Bayesian DeepONets and Soil Constitutive Modelling**

Projects:

Bayesian neural networks (BNNs) for constitutive modelling

Oct 2023 - Present

- Researched, analysed, and gained expertise in BNNs for uncertainty quantification in deep learning.
- Applied BNNs for constitutive modelling of soil trained on time-series stress-strain data.

Physics Informed Neural Networks (PINNs)

Mar 2023 - May 2023

- Modelled the deformation of a 2D bar subjected to in-plane loading and compared effects of using different forces.
- Implemented codes for forward and inverse problems of a structural dynamical system using PINNs in TensorFlow.

Bayesian Physics Informed Neural Networks (B-PINNs)

Dec 2023 - Jan 2024

- Extended the deterministic PINN architecture to include a Bayesian neural network for uncertainty quantification.
- Incorporated a methodology that remedies prior-misspecification for Bayesian neural networks and thus improved predictive performance.

Parameter Estimation of Dynamical Systems

Jul 2023 - Oct 2023

- Developed a state-space model to estimate parameters and quantify uncertainty in a structural dynamical system using Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), Kalman Filter and Variational Inference.
- Analyzed advantages, limitations, and computation times of the algorithms for accuracy, convergence, and efficiency.

National Institute of Technology, Srinagar

Undergraduate Research, Department of Civil Engineering

Dec 2020 - Jun 2021

Supervisor: *Prof. F.A. Mir*

Final year project: **Site-Specific Landslide Analysis and Correction**

- Collected data, including soil samples and site geography, as part of a comprehensive project on Landslide Analysis.
- Conducted in-depth soil data analysis, utilizing experimental methods and simulations (GeoStudio-GeoSlope) to gain insights into properties and characteristics of the site and propose possible corrections.

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

Jul 2020

Research Intern, Department of Civil Engineering

Project: **Microtremor and multichannel analysis of seismic waves for microzonation of an earthquake prone region**

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Non-linear system identification using Bayesian methods and Machine Learning.
- Bayesian Neural Networks for Uncertainty Quantification using Variational Inference.
- Operator Learning frameworks for solving ODEs and PDEs.
- Scientific Machine Learning applications in Civil Engineering.

SELECTED COURSES

Master's Courses

- Deep Learning for Mechanics
- Introduction to Machine Learning
- Decision Theory and Design Optimisation
- Engineering Mathematics and Computation
- Dynamics

Bachelor's Courses

- Computer Programming (C Programming)
- Mathematics (Linear Algebra, Statistics and Probability, Calculus)
- Structural Analysis I, II, III
- Strength of Materials

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- Secured a percentile of 98.5 (out of 100,043 candidates) in the **Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE)** (Civil Engineering) 2022 for admission to graduate level programmes to the IIT's and IISc.
- Obtained a percentile of 97 (out of 124,000 candidates) in JEE MAINS 2017 for admission to undergraduate level programmes to the IIT's, NIT's and IIIT's.
- **COLOURS (Football)** by Board of Sports Activities (BSA), IIT Delhi (2022-23) for outstanding achievements in sports.
- Post Graduate Scholarship by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Govt. of India for Academic years 2022 to 2024.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi

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| • Teaching Assistant for the course Engineering Mechanics (APL100). | Fall 2022 |
| • Teaching Assistant for the course Finite Element Methods (AML706). | Spring 2023 |
| • Teaching Assistant for the course Applied Mathematics for Engineers (APL101). | Fall 2023 |
| • Teaching Assistant for the course Machine Learning for Mechanics (APL405). | Spring 2024 |

SKILLS

- **Programming:** Python, R, C Programming, MATLAB
- **Frameworks:** TensorFlow, TensorFlow Probability, PyTorch, PyMC3
- **Others:** GitHub, L^AT_EX, Matplotlib, Scipy

EXTRACURRICULARS

- Represented Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi at the Inter-IIT Sports Meet (the annual Olympic-style sports tournament of the 23 Indian Institutes of Technology) in 2022 and 2023 as a part of the institute football team, securing 3rd and 4th positions in the overall standings respectively.
- Participated in Udghosh (the Annual Sports Festival of IIT, Kanpur) in 2022 and 2023, winning Gold (Football) in 2023.
- Captained my Hostel team to a podium finish in the Inter-Hostel football tournament (2023) organised by IIT Delhi.
- Participated in the Inter-NIT Football tournament held at National Institute of Technology, Rourkela in 2020.
- Explored AI Safety concepts as a fellow at the AI Safety Careers Fellowship by FAR AI, Inc. at IIT, Delhi in 2023.

REFERENCES

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