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## Skills

C 90

C++ 70

Python 85

MATLAB 70

Siemens NX 95

ANSA 70

Ansys 85

ABAQUS 75

Optistruct 80

Star-CCM+ 70

OpenFOAM 75

## Languages

German A2

English C1

A process-driven, and articulate Master's student in Computer-Aided Mechanical Engineering with expertise in theoretical and computational aspects of Mechanics.

## Work Experience

### Internship

10/2023 - Present

Siemens Energy - Mülheim, Germany

- Familiarize with Siemens Energy toolchain.
- Familiarize with the generative design method.
- Introduce the self-learning algorithm in the design toolchain.
- Apply the toolchain to the H2 combustion system development.
- Summarize the gained knowledge in a Master Thesis.

### Internship [Voluntary]

02/2023 - Present

Volocopter HQ - Bruchsal, Germany

- Performed mechanical/ thermal benchmark simulations for **CFRP** parts and battery pack using **Optistruct** and **StarCCM+**.
- Performed modal simulations on the battery pack to analyze and improve the eigenfrequencies.
- Performed explicit dynamics simulations using **Radioss** on the individual cell under compression and bending loads.
- Conducted mechanical simulations on battery pack under crash loads to examine stresses and strains using **Optistruct**.
- Investigated thermal and thermo-mechanical strains and stresses in case of **thermal runaway (TR)** for various configurations.
- Realized fatigue and lifetime evaluations of CFRP and thermosetting plastics.
- Developed an overall understanding and strategy to mitigate thermal strains due to temperature gradients.
- I was part of the Mechanical Integration team inside the Battery team and was involved in the day-to-day design evolution of the battery pack.
- Familiarized with ASTM D3039/D3039M, DO-160G and UN38.3.4

### Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft

02/2023 - 08/2023

Digital Additive Production DAP - RWTH Aachen

- Understood the theoretical implementation of adjoint-based **topology optimization** methods.
- Investigated existing topology optimization techniques using continuous and discrete adjoint methods in open-source software.
- Created a workflow to perform passively coupled topology optimization for **Conjugate Heat Transfer (CHT)** cases using **DAFoam**.
- Automated the geometry preparation, meshing, running design iterations, and coupling in a cycle using Python.

### Mini Thesis

05/2022 - 01/2023

Digital Additive Production DAP - RWTH Aachen

- Developed simulation-based NN model for evaluating cooling channel designs in **Additively Manufactured (AM)** components.
- Ran **CHT/ CFD** simulations of cooling channels (Additive Manufacturing) using **OpenFOAM**.
- Evaluated vital parameters for several input configurations; heat transfer, head loss, structural integrity, etc.
- Created a **Graph Neural Networks (GNN)** regression model to fit the simulation data.
- Optimized the cooling channel design for the desired configuration.
- Reduced development time by eliminating tedious case setups and long simulation run times, benefiting industries reliant on heat conduction and convection.

### Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft

05/2022 - 08/2022

Chair of Continuum Mechanics - RWTH Aachen

- Optimized/ cleaned-up **MATLAB** code to generate Aerogel geometry.
- Generated partial C++ code for better performance.
- Created input scripts for **ABAQUS** for FEM simulation of Aerogel.

## Addl. Skills

TensorFlow 2.0 75

PyTorch 85

Deal.ii 50

Tosca 50

nTopology 60

Salome 85

Code Aster 50

Julia 50

Lammps 50

COMSOL 90

## Wissenschaftliche Hilfskraft

Chair of Thermodynamics of Mobile Energy Conversion  
Systems - RWTH Aachen

02/2022 - 01/2023

- Optimized/ debug Visual Basic (VBA) code for examination software.
- Created a Python GUI software using PyQt5.

## CAE Engineer

Upwork

03/2019 - 08/2020

- Successfully completed 18 research projects related to FEM, CFD, and FSI.
- Worked on designing/ simulations using - (Siemens NX, Ansys, ABAQUS, MATLAB, and COMSOL.)

## Research Scholar

IIT Madras - Chennai, India

01/2019 - 06/2019

- Developed a custom C++ solver in **OpenFOAM-v1712**.
- Investigated thermal, momentum, and phase-fraction evolution at different casting speeds to identify optimum parameters for best casting quality.
- Employed **Ansys Mechanical APDL** to study creep during casting process.

## Education

### Master of Science: Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering

RWTH Aachen University - Germany

2020 - Present

**Mini-Thesis:** Development of an intelligent and simulation-based model for design evaluation of cooling channels for L-PBF.

**Courses:** Nonlinear Structural Mechanics, Advanced Finite Element Methods, Advanced Software Engineering, Artificial Neural Networks in Structural Mechanics, Practical Introduction to FEM, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Parallel Computing for Computational Mechanics.

### Bachelor of Technology: Mechanical Engineering

BML Munjal University - India

2015 - 2019

**Bachelor's Thesis:** Computational simulation of convectional and ultrasonic techniques in Direct-chill casting of Aluminum alloys.

**Mini-project:** Study of flow and alloy segregation during solidification of Aluminum alloys.

**Courses:** Computer programming in C, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Machine Design, Manufacturing Process, Mechanical Vibrations, Robotics, Bio-Mechanics, Micro Machining, Nanoscience: From synthesis to few applications.

## Publications

- Nazym S. Sagandykova, et al., (2021) Patient-specific CFD simulation of aerodynamics for nasal pathology: a combined computational and experimental study, Computer Methods in Biomechanics and Biomedical Engineering: Imaging & Visualization, 9:5, 470-479, <https://doi.org/10.1080/21681163.2020.1858968>
- LeeWei Loon, et al., (2019) CFD simulation of direct chill casting process of magnesium alloy billets, Journal of Manufacturing process, Volume 45, 447-454, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmapro.2019.07.033>

## Projects

- **FEM/ CFD** and **vibration** study of the launch vehicle during re-entry.
- Calculated von-mises stresses in lumbar spine prosthetic in **ABAQUS**.
- Trained a **Deep Convolution Neural Network** to predict co-ordinates on an aircraft from sensor data.
- Numerical simulation of dry adhesion of SWCNT (Single Walled CNT) using **Lammps**.