

# SREEKAR REDDY **SAJJALA**

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Skills *
C
C++
Python
MATLAB
Siemens NX
ANSA
Ansys
ABAQUS
Optistruct
Star-CCM+
OpenFOAM
Languages
German A2
Fnglish C2

Process-driven professional with expertise in theoretical and computational mechanics and AI integration. Skilled in optimizing engineering workflows and applying innovative solutions using advanced algorithms and AI. Strong background in CFD, FEM, and thermal simulations to enhance efficiency and performance.

# Work Experience

### **Student Research Assistant**

02/2023 - Present

Digital Additive Production DAP - RWTH Aachen

- Gained expertise in adjoint-based **topology optimization** methods.
- Developed a workflow for passively coupled topology optimization in Conjugate Heat Transfer (CHT) cases using OpenFOAM.
- Successfully integrated Neural Networks in the topology optimization solver to accelerate the run time.

### Internship + Master Thesis

10/2023 - 07/2024

Siemens Energy - Mülheim, Germany

Topic: H2 Combustor development using Generative Design Toolchain.

- Mastered Siemens Energy's advanced workflow for combustion simulations and automation, enhancing process efficiency.
- Implemented generative design workflows, optimizing engineering solutions.
- Applied the toolchain to H2 combustion gas turbines, minimizing boundary layer flashback and improving performance.

### Internship [Voluntary]

02/2023 - 08/2023

Volocopter HQ - Bruchsal, Germany

- Conducted mechanical and thermal simulations for CFRP parts and battery packs using Optistruct and StarCCM+.
- Analyzed and improved eigenfrequencies of battery packs through modal simulations.
- Investigated **thermal runaway** stresses and strains for various configurations, ensuring compliance with standards.

## Mini Thesis

05/2022 - 01/2023

Digital Additive Production DAP - RWTH Aachen

- Developed simulation-based Neural Network model for evaluating cooling channel designs in Additively Manufactured (AM) components.
- Conducted Conjugate Heat Transfer (CHT) simulations of cooling channels using OpenFOAM.
- Reduced development time by eliminating tedious case setups and long simulation run times, benefiting industries reliant on heat conduction and convection.

### Student Research Assistant

05/2022 - 08/2022

Chair of Continuum Mechanics - RWTH Aachen

- Optimized/ cleaned-up MATLAB code to generate Aerogel geometry and developed partial C++ code for better performance.
- Created input scripts for ABAQUS for FEM simulation of Aerogel.
- Assisted in improving simulation accuracy and efficiency.

### Student Research Assistant

02/2022 - 01/2023

Chair of Thermodynamics of Mobile Energy Conversion Systems - RWTH Aachen

- Optimized and debugged Visual Basic (VBA) code for examination software.
- Developed a Python GUI software using PyQt5.
- Enhanced software functionality and user experience.

# Certifications & Training

- Siemens NX
- The Finite Element Method for Problems in Physics
- Robotics
- StarCCM+ Battery Thermal Study
- Aerodynamics
- Turbulent Flows
- Topology Optimization for Additive Manufacturing

### **CAE Engineer**

Upwork

03/2019 - 08/2020

- Successfully completed 18 research projects focused on Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Finite Element Method (FEM), Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD), and Fluid-Structure Interaction (FSI).
- Utilized various software tools including Siemens NX, Ansys, ABAQUS, COM-SOL, and MATLAB for designing and conducting simulations.
- Applied expertise in CAD software to develop precise and efficient designs, ensuring accuracy and functionality. Employed advanced simulation techniques to achieve optimized performance and reliability.

### Research Scholar

01/2019 - 06/2019

IIT Madras - Chennai, India

- 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

2020 - Present

Engineering

RWTH Aachen University - Germany

**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

2015 - 2019

BML Munjal University - India

**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