Curriculum Vitae

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Education

• Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai, India

- Bachelor of Technology with Honors and Master of Technology in Mechanical Engineering
- Specialization: Computer Aided Design and Automation
- GPA 8.79/10, Expected date of completion June 2013
- Ranked **5**th in the batch of 50 students
- Dayanand Anglo Vedic Public School, Kota, India
 - Major in Science, Affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education
 - Aggregate 87.4%, Completed March 2008
- Delhi Public School, Guwahati, India
 - Affiliated to Central Board of Secondary Education
 - Aggregate 90.4%, Completed March 2006

Awards and Achievements

- Recepient of Undergraduate Research Award 01 in 2011 for excellence in research
- Received Academic Proficiency AP grade in the courses Vibro-Acoustics and Automatic Control Engineering for outstanding performance in class
- Qualified the National Talent Search Examination (NTSE) in 2006 and awarded annual scholarship till graduation for the same
- Awarded Certificate of Merit by CBSE for being among the top 0.1% in Mathematics in 2006

Areas of Interest

- Vehicle Dynamics
- Control Theory, Model Predictive Control, Nonlinear Control
- System Identification using Time Series Models, Neural Networks
- Flexible Multibody Dynamics

List of Publications

- S.Talukdar, D. Purdy, V. Sastry, M.Awan, A. Tremlett, *Preview based Vehicle Steering Control using Neural Networks*, SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2013, Detroit, USA
- S.Talukdar, A.Mazumdar, A.Ujjwal, M.Mohanan, Dr.K.Kalita, Mathematical Modeling in Vehicle Ride Dynamics, SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2012, Detroit, USA
- A.Mazumdar, S.Talukdar, Dr.K.Kalita, Comparative Analysis of an Elastic 2 Degree of Freedom Vehicle Ride Model with a Rigid 2 Degree of Freedom Model, SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2012, Detroit, USA
- S.Talukdar, S.S.Kulkarni, A Comparitive Analysis of a Rigid Bicycle Model with an Elastic Bicycle Model for Small Trucks, SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2011, Detroit, USA
- S.Talukdar, M.Awan, Dr.A.Hameed, Implementation of Low Cost Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) Integrated with a Global Positioning System (GPS) Receiver- A Study, SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2011, Detroit, USA

Internships

Preview based Vehicle Steering Control

Guide: Prof. D. J. Purdy, Cranfield University, United Kingdom

May '12 - July '12

- Implemented autonomous vehicle steering controllers using Classical Control Theory and Neural Networks which were validated against real track data
- Evaluated the various controllers and specified optimum performance speed range for each
- These controllers will be used by the Vehicle Systems Group, Cranfield University to represent the human driver in simulations

Mathematical Modeling of Vehicle Ride Dynamics

Guide: Prof. Karuna Kalita

May '11 - July '11

- Investigated the existing vehicle ride models including tires and dampers in detail
- Remodeled vehicle ride dynamics considering chassis flexibility which was validated using Finite Element Method and experiments
- This proposed analytical model lays the foundations of flexible vehicle ride models

Vehicle State Estimation using a Inertial Measurement Unit integrated with a GPS

Guide: Prof. A. Hameed, Cranfield University, United Kingdom

May '10 - July '10

- Devised a sensor system by interacting inertial sensors and GPS with the data acquisition system
- Designed a software program which provides estimates of unmeasured vehicle states using **Kalman** Filter and validated it with real time experiments
- This system is used to implement **skid steering** controller on a steer-by-wire vehicle

Key Academic Projects

Integrated Chassis Control for Vehicle Safety

Guide: Prof. S. S. Kulkarni and Prof. S. C. Patwardhan

Dual Degree Project
July '12 - Present

- Analyzed the **interaction** between the different vehicle safety technologies
- Currently designing a controller to improve vehicle safety using Model Predictive Control
- Future goal is to propose a single controller for the various subsystems

Vehicle Handling Dynamics and Control: A Review

Guide: Prof. S. S. Kulkarni

Seminar Jan 2012 - April 2012

- Reviewed vehicle handling active technologies and their implications on vehicle safety
- Simulated the controllers in Simulink and established the need for Integrated Chassis Control

Adaptive Control of a Robotic Manipulator

 $Course\ Project$

Course: Adaptive Control Theory

January '12 - April 2012

- Implemented Adaptive Control for control of a robotic manipulator with unknown inertia
- Analytically demonstrated closed loop stability

System Identification and Control of a Vehicle with Four Wheel Steering Course Project Course: Advanced Process Control January '12 - April '12

- Remodeled vehicle handling dynamics using **Black-box models**
- Designed and compared the performance of different **State Estimation** algorithms for estimation of unmeasured vehicle states
- Solved the tracking problem using Linear Quadratic Control and Model Predictive Control

Modeling and Simulation of Vehicle Handling Dynamics

Guide: Prof. S. S. Kulkarni

Undergraduate Research Project August '09 - September '10

- Investigated the **rigid bicycle model** for vehicle handling dynamics
- Remodeled vehicle handling dynamics considering chassis flexibility and validated it using Finite Element Method
- Analysed the response of both the models and established the reasons of differences between them

Teaching Experience

- Teaching Assistant for the course Microprocessors and Automatic Control
 - Lectured on building blocks of primitive microprocessors
 - Involved in designing tutorial and exam papers for a batch of 130 students
 - Organised doubt clearing sessions and graded answer scripts/tutorials
- Teaching Assistant for the course Nonlinear Systems Analysis and Control

Relevant Courses

• Control Systems

- Process Control, Automatic Control Engineering, Advanced Process Control, Applied Mechatronics
- Multivariable Control Systems, Control of Nonlinear Dynamical Systems, Adaptive Control
- Differential Geometric Methods in Control, State Estimation, Linear Filtering

• Dynamics and Modeling

- Kinematics and Dynamics of Machinery, Space Flight Dynamics, Large Scale Systems, Vibro-Acoustics
- Analytical and Geometric Dynamics, Modeling and Identification of Dynamical Systems

Technical Skills

CAD packages : ANSYS, SolidWorks, Eagle (PCB Layout), Labview, MSC Adams

Modeling & Analysis: MATLAB/Simulink, Mathematica

Microcontrollers : Atmel AVR – ATmega 8/16/32/640, Freescale XEP100

Programming: C/C++

Technical Activities

- Reviewer for Asia Pacific Automotive Conference 2013 organised by SAE Thailand
- Completed a certificate course on **Intellectual Property Rights** organised by School of Management, IIT Bombay in 2012
- Participated in the 2nd Winter School on Control and Dynamical Systems 2012 organised by System and Control Engineering, IIT Bombay
- Presented two papers in the SAE World Congress and Exhibition 2011 in Detroit, USA
- Conducted MATLAB Workshop in the Department of Civil Engineering, IIT Bombay in 2011
- Secured 4th position in Robocon National Robotic Contest 2010 held in Pune, India
- Participated in Full Throttle a scaled down IC engine car racing event in Techfest 2010
- Participated in Nexus India's 1st solar robotics contest organised as a part of Techfest 2009
- Awarded Hostel Technical Colour in 2010 for commendable inputs in hostel technical events
- Designed a Laboratory Robot which was amongst the top 20 finalists in the National Level CBSE-Intel Science Exhibition 2004
- Invited to present the Laboratory Robot in the Intel Science Talent Discovery Fair 2004 and the 12th National Children's Science Congress 2004

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Secured 1st position in MechView, a film making contest organised as a part Radiance 2011
- Awarded Certificate of Merit for swimming 12 hours in Swimathon 2009