

## APPING DATABASE

### 1) Personal Details

2) *Name* : Arpit Agarwal

3) *CPI/DR* : 9.29/10.00 (at the end of 9 semester)/ Apping rank: 3<sup>rd</sup> in DD

4) *GRE Score (Vocab+Quat+Anal Writing)* : 550 + 800 + 4.5

5) *TOEFL Score*: 277

6) *Any papers published/How many?and wat are they? Title and publication.*

None

7) *Professors from whom recos are taken/For what did he give reco/How good the reco was/ Ne comments on the reco given by your professor?*

*Prof. Amit Agrawal (DDP), Prof R.P. Vedula (UROP), Prof Puranik (DDP), And one from NUS (Exchange Program).*

*I suppose all of them were good.*

### 2) Which universities did you apply to? Which field/department in that university?

**Which program** (*Plz list in the decreasing order of the importance you gave to universities*)

<i>SNo</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Phd/MS</i>	<i>TA/RA/Fellow/admit/Reject</i>
1	MIT	Mechanical	PhD	RA
2.	Stanford	Mechanical	PhD	RA
3.	UC Berkeley	Mechanical	PhD	Admit
4.	Caltech	Mechanical	PhD	Reject
5.	UIUC	Mechanical	PhD	RA
6.	UMich, Ann arbor	Mechanical	PhD	Admit
7.	Cornell	Mechanical	PhD	Reject

**3) On what basis did you choose the universities? USNEWS/Seniors/Profs/Visited all sites?**

US news ranking was one of the obvious reasons; Advice from seniors also influenced my decision.

**4) Also specific information about the universities (comments like Good faculty/Good Research/Easily gives admit/Gives high importance to GRE Score/Any professor in our department whose reco is valuable in this university etc etc → Kindly answer this question comprehensively as this part will be very helpful**

UIUC and Gatech usually give a lot of funded offers. GRE scores above 1300 are gud, and after this GRE score doesn't matter much. Publications help a lot, and CPI + publications + reco are the deciding factors in most of the universities. I think a gud reco from a new faculty is much more valuable than average reco from stud profs. But avoid taking course recos, if you have enuf of research recos. Highlighting of ur research capabilities is important in all of ur recos.

**5) Did you send suck mails? How useful are the suck mails? Ne fundae about these?**

I did sent suck mails, but I don't think one shd send them (this is my personal opinion plzzz). Suck mails kind of restrict ur opportunities when u get admitted in univs. U may want to explore opportunities after u get admission offers. Not much use in sending suck mails to MIT, Stanford or Cornell. Am not too sure abt other univs.

**6) Are you going for app or not? What were your other options, like job, IIM e.t.c?**

I am Apping.

**7) Which app are you choosing? Why?**

MIT..... MIT and Stanford offers were gud, preferred MIT for no particular reason.

**8) What was your BTP/DDP/MTP Topic? Who was your guide?**

DDP Topic: LBM for compressible Euler equations

Guides: Prof A. Agrawal and Prof. B. Puranik

**9) Any other inputs/comments concerning app?**

Work well in BTP/DDP. Good recos do make a difference. And do plan to give GRE and TOEFL well before deadlines. First draft of SOP shd be ready by September end. And fill up ur forms well in advance, because faculty members usually take a lot of time in filling the online reco forms.

**10) Your contact info (Mail id which you will be using after passing out)?**

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