Anupam SAXENA

Research Interests

Compliant and Robotic Systems: Structural/Topology Design of Large Deformation Systems with Nonlinearities in Geometry, Material and those involving Contact; Design and Realization of Orthotic/Exoskeleton and Prosthetic Devices for Assistance and Rehabilitation; Structural Inference; Biomimetics; Bio-inspired Designs; Terrestrial (multi-agent) & Aerial Robots; Multi-body Dynamics of Flexible Systems; Optimal and Minimal Assembly Design for Sustainability;

BROAD APPLICATION AREAS

Soft and Medical Robotics; Biomedical/Healthcare; Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems; Automative and Aerospace; Sustainable Engineering — those requiring Sensing, Actuation, Grasp, Manipulation, Bistability and Static-Balancing, prescribed (e.g., Constant) Input/Output Force Relations

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

July 2016 - present	Full Professor, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
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EDUCATION

1997-2000	Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, PA, USA
1995 - 1997	M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, The University of Toledo, OH, USA
1991 - 1995	B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2017 - present	Visiting Professor, RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY, GERMANY
	Summer and Winter Sessions
$May, \ 2022$	Gdańsk University of Technology
August 2021 - June 2022	RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY, GERMANY. RRS, AvH Foundation
May 2017 - July 2017	RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY, GERMANY. RRS, AvH Foundation
June 2014- July 2014	Visiting Assoc. Professor, RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY, GERMANY
May 2010- Dec 2012	Visiting Assoc. Professor, RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY, GERMANY,
	AvH Fellow, Experienced Researcher
Dec 2014- May 2015	Visiting Assoc. Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati
May 2009 - July 2016	Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
July 2006 - June 2007	Visiting Assistant Professor, CORNELL UNIVERSITY
Mar 2001 - May 2009	Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur
	*AvH: Alexander von Humboldt; *RRS: Renewed Research Stay

RESEARCH OUTPUT (SUMMARY)

Publications	Journals- Published/in press/arXiv: 54 (Page 12 for complete list) Peer Reviewed Conferences: 66 (Page 15 for complete list) Books and Book Chapters: 1+5 (Page 19 for complete list)
Methods,	• Biomimetic and Parametric Design of Human Hand Exoskeleton for Coarse Grasping Applications
	• Analysis of a Tendon Pulley System (TPS) of human finger flexors using the Pseudo-Rigid-Body Model approach. Most aspects including finger-joint locking considered.
	• Functional Inference of complex, human anatomical tendinous net- works using Estimation-Exploration Algorithm (Co-evolution).
	• Three-finger hand exoskeletons for fine, cooperative manipulation (translation/rotation) of slender objects.
	• A Compact Differential Mechanism for a Wearable Hand Exoskele- ton.
	\bullet Synthesis Methodology for Constant input/output force mechanisms
	• A displacement delimited contact-aided large displacement compli- ant (CCM) gripper to arrest and manipulate very fragile objects.
Software & Tools	• Topology Synthesis of path generating contact-aided large displace- ment compliant mechanisms (CCMs) with hexagonal cells and mate- rial masks, and with initially curved frames. All (self and mutual) contact modes considered.
	• 3D MMOS: Material Mask Overlay Strategy (MMOS) for topol- ogy optimization with tetrakaidecahedra (truncated octahedra) and spheroidal negative masks.
	• Material Mask Overlay Strategy (MMOS) for topology optimization with hexagonal tessellation and circular/elliptical/rectangular positive/negative masks.
	• Unified synthesis of planar, path generating mechanisms involving rigid and compliant members undergoing large deformation.
	• Educational Codes on Topology Optimization with hexagonal and frame finite elements
	\bullet Design/Realization of a large deformation, 3-kink CCM Switch.
	• Realtime, Projective Path Planning for multi-agents for arrest and guidance of a moving object under a dynamic environment.
Patents & Inventio	ons Shyam Sunder Nishad. Anirban Choudhury. Ashish Dutta. Anupam Saxena. Hand exoskeleton for assisting stroke patients in full extension exercise of three fingers and grasping/ball-squeezing exercises. Indian Patent Office. 304112. Grant Date: 08.01.2020.
	Vitthal Khatik. Anupam Saxena. 2024. A Device for Providing Assistance and Rehabilitation During Flexion and Extension Movement of Fingers. Indian Patent Office. 508011. Grant Date: 07.02.2024.
	Vitthal Khatik. Anupam Saxena. 2023. System for Providing Flexion and Extension Movement to Articulated Finger Units of an Artificial Hand. Indian Patent Office. 509038. Grant Date: 09.02.2024.

Selected Publications

- SRIVATSA DESHMUKH. VITTHAL KHATIK. ANUPAM SAXENA. 2023. Robust Fusion Model for Handling EMG and Computer Vision Data in Prosthetic Hand Control. IEEE Sensors Letters. in IEEE Sensors Letters, vol. 7, no. 9, pp. 1-4, Sept. 2023, Art no. 6004804, doi: 10.1109/LSENS.2023.3301837.
- KHATIK V. M. NISHAD S. S. ANUPAM SAXENA. 2021. Comprehending finger flexor tendon pulley system using systematic computational analysis. ASME Journal of Biomedical Engineering. 143. 111009-1-10.
- SAXENA A. VALERO-CUEVAS F J. LIPSON H. 2012. Functional inference of complex anatomical tendinous networks at a macroscopic scale via sparse experimentation. *PLOS Computational Biology.* 8(11): p.1-17 (e1002751)
- VALERO-CUEVAS F J. ANAND V. SAXENA A. LIPSON H. 2007. Beyond parameter estimation: Extending biomechanical modeling by the explicit exploration of model topology. *IEEE Transactions of Biomedical Engineering*. Nov;54(11):1951-64.
- Vitthal Manohar Khatik. Anupam Saxena. 2023. A Novel Slack Tolerant, Sliding Pulley Differential Mechanism for Adaptive Grasping. ASME 2023 International Design Engineering Technical Conferences & Computers and Information in Engineering Conference (IDETC / CIE2023). Boston Park Plaza, Boston MA. August 20-23. IDETC2023-115115.
- ORLANDO, M. F., BEHERA L., DUTTA, A., AND SAXENA A. 2020. Optimal Design and Redundancy Resolution of a Novel Robotic Two-Fingered Exoskeleton. IEEE Transactions on Medical Robotics and Bionics, Vol 2(1). pp. 59-75.
- Felix Orlando Maria Joseph. Laxmidhar Behera. Tomoya Tamei. Tomohiro Shibata. Ashish Dutta. Anupam Saxena. 2016. On Redundancy Resolution of the Human Thumb, Index and Middle Fingers in Cooperative Object Translation. *Robotica.* 35 (10), pp. 1992-2017
- ORLANDO M F. DUTTA A. SAXENA A. BEHERA L. SHIBATA T. 2013. Manipulability Analysis of Human Thumb. Index and Middle fingers in Cooperative 3D Rotational Movements. *Robotica.* 31 (5), pp. 797-809. Available on CJO.doi: 10.1017/S0263574713000064.
- JIMSON NGEO. TOMOYA TAMEI. TOMOHIRO SHIBATA. M F FELIX ORLANDO. LAXMID-HAR BEHERA. ANUPAM SAXENA. ASHISH DUTTA. 2013. Control of an optimal finger exoskeleton based on continuous joint angle estimation from EMG signals. Annu Int Conf IEEE Eng Med Biol Soc.338-341. doi: 10.1109/EMBC.2013.6609506.
- Shyam Sunder Nishad, Ashish Dutta, Anupam Saxena. 2014. Design and Control of a Three Finger Hand Exoskeleton for Translation of a slender object. The 11th International Conference on Ubiquitous Robots and Ambient Intelligence (URAI 2014). Nov. 12 – 15, 2014 at Double Tree Hotel by Hilton, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- SAXENA. A. ANANTHASURESH. G. K. 2001. Topology Synthesis of Compliant Mechanisms for Nonlinear Force-Deflection and Curved Output Path. *ASME Journal of Mechanical Design.* March 2001. Vol. 123. pp 33-42.
- RAI A K. SAXENA A. MANKAME N D. 2010. Unified synthesis of compact planar pathgenerating linkages with rigid and deformable members. *Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization.* 41:863–879.
- SAXENA A. KRAMER S N. 1998. A Simple and Accurate Method for Determining Large Deflections in Compliant Mechanisms subjected to End Forces and Moments. *ASME Journal of Mechanical Design.* 120(3). pp. 392-400.
- KUMAR. P. SAXENA. A. SAUER R. A. 2018. Computational optimization of large deformation compliant mechanisms undergoing self and mutual contact, Journal of Mechanical Design, 141(1): 012302 (13 pages).

Key Merits (Academic, Administrative and Outreach)

May 2013 - Nov 2014	Faculty Advisor and Associate Dean, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, IIT KANPUB
	Salient Accomplishments: IITK-NUS Joint Degree Programme, MIPP programme with the University of Melbourne (Joint Ph.D. programme), Academic MoUs with strategically chosen overseas universities including three each from Finland and Norway, e.g., Aalto Uni- versity and The University of Oslo, envisioned and initiated internationalization strategy for IIT Kanpur and established its presence via print and media amongst other respon- sibilities, streamlined the activities of the Office of International Relations (OIR) which was then with the Dean, Resources and Alumni (DoRA), and initiated for OIR to be a standalone unit.
2021 - present	Associate Editor JOURNAL OF MECHANISMS AND ROBOTICS reappointed
2011 - 2015	Associate Editor Journal of Mechanisms and Robotics
Dec, 2015	Organizing Chair: 2 nd International and 17 th National Confer- ence on Machines and Mechanisms, Dec 16-19, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur. Co-chairs: Dr. Shikha Prasad and Dr. Neeraj Sinha.
2020-present	Advisor, CMDE (Compliant Mechanisms Design and Engineering) Labs https://www.cmdelabs.com
2009-present	Mentor Advisor, TAS (TRIDENT ANALYTICAL SOLUTIONS) Prominent Products from TAS: Shabdnagari, Sociota, Market Reckon, Caller Pay. http://www.tas.co.in/
2020-21	Mentor Advisor, PLUS ROBOTICS Focuses on educating students about Robotics and provides services through online courses and school programs
2006, 2016	Symposium Coordinator, Compliant Mechanisms ASME IDETC 2006, 2014, 2016 Coordinated review of many submissions
2006, 2009	Session Chair ASME IDETC 2006, 2009, 2023
2011-12, 2002-03	Faculty Advisor, Association of Mechanical Engineers, IIT Kanpur
Sep 2008 - Apr 2009	Games Counselor, STUDENT GYMKHANA, IIT KANPUR Was instrumental in forming SPEC, Sports and Physical Education Committee, on the pro- posal by Prof. CS Upadhyay to the then Dean, Student Affairs, Prof. Partha Chakraborty.
2002 - 2003	Chairperson, Staff Gymkhana, IIT Kanpur
	Helped draft the new constitution for Staff Gymkhana years later.
2014-present	Peer Review of Funding applications for Technology Foundation STW, Dutch Research Council, Department of Science and Technology, India and others.

2012	Co-Convener, International Conference on Microactuators and Micromech- anisms MAMM-2012, CSIR-CMERI INDIA
2001-present	Reviewer
	ASME Journal of Mechanical Design, ASME Journal of Mechanisms and Robotics, Struc- tural and Multidisciplinary Optimization, Computer Aided Design, International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering, Finite Elements in Analysis and Design, Compu- tational Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering.
2016-present	Examiner for Doctoral Theses/Viva voce
	Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, IIT Madras, IIT Guwahati
2001-present	STUDENT INTERNSHIPS AT CARS LAB Please refer to page 7
2001-present	Counselled many students on career and mental health related issues.

INVITED TALKS

ON HAND EXOSKELETONS RWTH Aachen University (July, 2017), Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (2024) COMPLIANT MECHANISMS, DESIGN PRINCIPLES AND TOPOLOGY OPTI-MIZATION – VARIOUS ASPECTS Cornell University (Aug, 2006), University of Milwaukee (Sep, 2007), IIT Kanpur (Oct, 2009), RWTH Aachen University (Nov, 2010), TU Delft (Feb, 2011), IIT Bombay (Oct, 2011), NAIST, Ikoma, Japan (Apr, 2013), IIT Hyderabad (Mar, 2016), NIT, Suratkal (Mar, 2017), SICE, IIT Hyderabad (Dec, 2022) ON FUNCTIONAL INFERENCE USING THE ESTIMATION-EXPLORATION AL-GORITHM University of SUNY Buffalo (Mar, 2007), Gdansk University of Technology (May, 2022)

EU REGIONAL SCHOOL, RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY (July, 2016) A 3 hr lecture on Systematic Synthesis of Large Displacement Compliant Mechanisms: A Structural Optimization Approach NERIST, NIRJULI INDIA (Aug, 2014) A three day short term TEQIP course on CAD

ON CAPTURING UNSTEADY FLOW CHARACTERISTICS AROUND A FLAPPING WING-CHORD USING POTENTIAL FLOW THEORY IIT Guwahati (April, 2015), IISc Bangalore (Mar, 2014), RWTH Aachen University (Jul,

IIT Guwahati (April, 2015), IISc Bangalore (Mar, 2014), RWTH Aachen University (Jul, 2014), RWTH sAachen University (June, 2018)

On Kempe's Linkages

RWTH Aachen University (Nov, 2012), Microactuators, Microsensors and Micromechanisms (MAMM) Conference (December, 2022)

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

Ongoing Doctoral Students

- D9. Estefania Andrea Hermoza Llanos (RWTH Aachen University), On Design of Large Deformation Compliant End-Effector System for Applications in Medical Robotics and Micromechanisms. Principal Supervisor: Burkhard Corves, Co-Supervisors: Anupam Saxena and Mathias Hüsing.
- D8. Vitthal Khatik, On design of Hand Exoskeletons, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- D7. Shyam Sunder Nishad, On Systematic Design of Robotic Dragonflies, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- D6. Nikhil Singh, Some Advancements in Topology Optimization Strategies: From Singularity-Free, Close-to-Binary Solutions to Reduced Variables and Minimum Length Scale Imposition. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena

Graduated Doctoral Students

- D5. BVS Nagendra Reddy, On Design of Large Deformation Compliant Topologies for Special Deformation Characteristics, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- D4. Kumar, Prabhat, 2017, Synthesis of Large Deformable Contact-aided Compliant Mechanisms using Hexagonal Cells and Negative Circular Masks. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Roger Sauer, RWTH-Aachen
- D3. Mayank Goswami, 2014, On Tomography Reconstruction Techniques. Principal supervisor: Prabhat Munshi, IIT Kanpur, Co-supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- D2. Orlando, Felix, 2013, Cooperative Human Finger Motion Analysis and Optimal Design of a Three Finger Exoskeleton: Principal supervisor: Laxmidhar Behera, IIT Kanpur, Cosupervisors: Anupam Saxena and Ashish Dutta, IIT Kanpur
- D1. Khan, A, 2010, Numerical Study of Thermo-Elastohydrodynamic Lubrication of Infinite Line Contact Rough Surfaces. Principal supervisor: Prawal Sinha, IIT Kanpur, Co-supervisor: Anupam Saxena

Graduated Masters Students

- M24. Abhishek Sharma, 2017, On Design of Knee, Foot and Ankle Orthotic Exoskeleton. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M23. Ajay Bajaj, 2017, Soft hand exoskeleton. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M22. Amul Agarwal, 2017, Structural/Functional Inference of a Nonlinear 2D Continua Using Predator Prey Estimation Exploration. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M21. Anuj Agarwal, 2016, A Novel Mechanism for Flapping Wing Flight. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M20. Hrishikesh Raste, 2014, Optimal Design for a Flapping Wing Mechanism and Wing Profile Capturing Unsteady Flow Characteristics. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M19. Shyam Sundar, 2014, On design and control of a three finger exoskeleton. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta.
- M18. Sharad Singhania, 2011, Design and Control of Multi-Agents for Transportation of Object in Extended 2D Terrain. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta
- M17. Ved Prakash Chowdhary, 2011, Optimal Design and Control of Leg Exoskeleton. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta
- M16. Pranay Sharma, 2011, Topology optimization of Electrothermally Compliant MEMS using a hybrid approach. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M15. Sujit Kumar V. Naik, 2010, How to Choose from a Synthesized set of Mechanisms, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M14. BVS Nagendra Reddy, 2010, Synthesis of Non-smooth path generating Fully Compliant Mechanisms using Self Contact, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena

- M13. Amit Srivastava, 2010, Electric Pulse Aided Single Point Incremental Forming, Principal Supervisor: N. V. Reddy, Co-supervisors: Anupam Saxena
- M12. Mayank Goswami, 2009, On Tomography using Finite Element like field approximations and Optimization, Principal Supervisor: P. Munshi, Co-supervisors: M. S. Kalra, Anupam Saxena
- M11. Vijaysingh R. Shinde., 2009, Experimental Validation of Form Closure Capture and Transportation of Moving Objects using Projective Path Planning, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta
- M10. Pavan Kumar, 2009, Singularity-free Binary Designs in Topology Optimization, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M9. Ashok Rai, 2006, Topology, Shape and Size Optimization of Compliant Mechanisms Using Curved Frame Elements and Genetic Algorithm, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M8. Pankaj Sharma, 2006, Arrest and Guidance of a Moving Object using Multi-Agents, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta
- M7. CP Mishra, 2006, Nonlinear, Transient, Thermo-Elastic Analysis for Continua under High Temperature Environment, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M6. Mukul Tuli, 2006, Local Shape Modification of B-Spline Curves, Principal Supervisor: N. Venkat Reddy, Co-supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M5. Anjul Beohar, 2005, A Hybrid Approach to Reconstruct 3d Solids From 2d Near Isometric Sketches, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Ashish Dutta
- M4. Maitray Srivastava, 2005, Mathematical Analysis, Design, Development and Experimentation of an 8 DOF Biped Robot, Principal Supervisor: Ashish Dutta, Co-Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M3. Prince Malik, 2004, Automated Design of Modular Fixtures to minimize Tolerances, Principal Supervisor: N. Venkat Reddy, Co-Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M2. Rajat Saxena, 2003, A Novel Parameterization for Topology Design of ETC MEMS for Strength, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- M1. Gaurav Seth, 2002, Splines based Assessment of Pre and Post Treatments of Dental Fixtures, Co-Supervisor: Anupam Saxena

Senior Design Projects

- SDP5. Anuj Agarwal, Shaurya Shriyam, 2014, Design, Modeling and Control of a Robotic Fish. Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-Supervisor: Laxmidhar Behera
- SDP4. Sandeep Urankar, Pranjal Jain, Anurag Singh, 2003, Design, Fabrication and Control of a Robo-sloth, a rope climbing Robot, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- SDP3. Manish Dwivedi, Ashish Sethi, Amit Pahwa, A. P. Singh, 2002, Design and Fabrication of a Customized Above Knee Prosthesis, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena
- SDP2. Ashish Asthana, Nandeesh Shukla, Bharat Panjwani, 2002, Design, Fabrication and Control of a Four dof Redundant Planar Manipulator, Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Cosupervisor: Susmit Sen
- SDP1. Abhudyai Singh, Apratim Rajendra, Bipin Kumar, 2002, Adonis: Walking Machine and Biped (Adjudged the best B. Tech project), Principal Supervisor: Anupam Saxena, Co-supervisor: Susmit Sen

Interns

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Amitesh Mishra	On Reconstruction of 3-D Solids from 2-D Multiple and Primary Auxiliary
	Views
Chandini Jain	On Topology Design using improved Material Mask Overlay Method
Autumn Allen	On Kinematic Design of a Flapping Mechanism
Vishal Jain	On Design of a Compact Differential Mechanism for Soft Hand Exoskeleton,
	and on Flapping Mechanism emulating fruitfly
Shelley Goel	On Electro-Thermo-Mechanical Modeling of Compliant Mechanisms.
Rubin Jacob	On a TMD based Hand Exoskeleton to suppress hand tremors.
ivatsa Deshmukh	On Fusion Model for Combining EMG and Computer Vision Data in Prosthetic
	Hand Control

ONGOING RESEARCH

- | Design & Realization of a Finger-to-Elbow Hand Exoskeleton for Coarse Grasping:
- First part established that with the Flexor Digitorum Profundus (FDP) tendon, annular A and cruciate C pulleys need to be positioned and sized optimally for maximum range of motion, minimum tendon tension, bowstringing and pulley stresses. This finding was in concurrence with the anatomy of human hand, when two annular and two cruciate pulleys are in use. Second part was to design a Finger-to-Elbow hand Exoskeleton (F-EL-EX) for Coarse Grasping for individuals with hand muscle weakness based on the above finding. Four strings, one for each finger, are routed (optimally) from finger-tip to wrist, and connected via a (an underactuated) novel, sliding pulley based differential mechanism which permits string slacking and uses a single motor to actuate the fingers differentially. Flexion-extension of the thumb is controlled by the second motor. F-EL-EX is designed for lateral pinch, spherical/power and parallel extension type grasps. Third part pertains to clinical trials with F-EL-EX on individual(s) with hand muscle weakness. Voice control based grasp is planned. Performance of F-EL-EX is to be adjudicated based on many grasping criteria. Final task is to extend the F-EL-EX design for the four fingers, and possibly thumb, to have independent flexion-extension capabilities, using Machine Learning.
- | Design of multi-finger compliant (monolithic) gripper for adaptive grasping:
- Each planar unit of the gripper is designed using large deformation topology optimization, modelling contact with objects of various, but smooth, curvatures. Notion is to cater to a variety of object shapes when grasping and securing. Tethered actuation is planned through the gripper's base. The fingertip approximately follows a specified trajectory, and grasp-contact forces (or number of grasp points) are maximised. Initial finger positions/configurations can be adjusted to facilitate minimal invasion. Relative orientations of finger bases can also be modified, e.g., two fingers could be placed relatively closer, or farther apart. A prototype demonstrating the end-effector is planned. A similar approach is being pursued to design a spatial constant/minimum force monolithic gripper for applications in minimal invasive surgery.
- | Design Realization of a Robotic Dragonfly

Following research questions and a task are proposed: Q1: How does one evaluate a rigid-link flapping mechanism, i.e., what are the criteria, and how to suggest if one such mechanism is better than another? Subsequently, how does one optimize a flapping mechanism? Q2: How to manipulate the flapping mechanisms on the Biomimetic-MAV for yaw and roll (left/right) turns, and pitch (up and down)? How to hover? Introducing differential amplitudes in mechanism-pair may be one way for rolling and turning. The Task is then to build a flapping Biomimetic MAV and control the flapping flight for possible motions.

• Advances in Spatial Topology Optimization

Three primary problems are (to be) solved. The first is topology optimization with tetrakai-decahedron (TKD) finite elements (cells) using spheroidal masks to control material within each cell. TKD, analogous to hexgonal cells (honeycomb tessellation) is employed ensuring *proper connectivity*, that without point or edge, but only face connections at the cell level. Geometrical singilarities are avoided when computing the structural stiffness. The second problem is to implement *normalized Field Product* method – a topology optimization scheme capable of yielding *close to 0-1* solutions without use of any parameters, maintaining minimum length scale on the solid phase. The third problem is to perform spatial topology optimization maintaining specified length scales on both, solid and void phases, irrespective and independent of the size and type of mesh used. Extensions to such methods are possible to large deformation topology optimization problems that could be catered to designing spatial compliant mechanisms or soft robots.

Research Funding and Grants

11/2001-03/2002	Development of Topology Design Software for Compliant Mechanisms, Inititation Bridge Grant, IIT Kanpur (Project Investigator)
09/2002-03/2005	Design for Optimal Failure-free MEMS Topologies, Min. Human. Res and Dev., Govt. of India (Project Investigator)
09/2003-09/2006	Topology Design of Compliant Mechanisms with Nonlinear Deformation, Dept. Sci. Tech. (Fast Track Scheme), Govt. of India (Project Investigator)
01/2006-01/2009	Reconstruction of 3D Solids from Single near Parallel Projections, All Ind. Council. Tech. Edu., (Project Investigator)
04/2006-04/2009	Topology Design of Compliant MEMS for Path Generation, Dept. Sci. Tech., India, (Project Investigator)
05/2006-05/2009	Automated Modular Fixture Planning for Minimum Tolerances, Dept. Sci. Tech. India, (Co Project Investigator)
04/2012-03/2015	An Innovation in Distraction Osteogenesis for Mandibular Regeneration using a Refined Transport Distractor, Dept. Sci. Tech. India, (Co Project Investigator)
07/2014-07/2016	Seed Funding To Host The International Conference On Machines And Mechanisms (under the aegis of IFFToM and AMM), December 16-19, 2015, IIT Kanpur, (Conference Chair)
02/2014-08/2016	A BCI Operated Hand Exoskeleton based Neurohabilitation System for Movement Restoration in Paralysis, Dept. Sci. Tech. India and UK-India Edu. Res. Initiative (Co Project Investigator)
01/2017-	On Design of Robotic Dragonflies, Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme, GoI (Project Investigator)

Recognition and Memberships

2024	Reviewers With Distinction Award. ASME Journal of Mechanisms and Robotics (JMR)
2020	In top 2% (Design Practice & Management)— Ioannidis J. P. A, Boyack Kevin W,
	BAAS JEROEN, 2020, UPDATED SCIENCE-WIDE AUTHOR DATABASES OF STANDARDIZED
	https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3000918
2010-	Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship for Experienced Professors
2006	AICTE Career Award
1997	Procter and Gamble Best Professional Paper Award
1991	Silver Medal. Mathematics Talent Search Examination. Govt of INDIA
1992	VivekVir Award. Govt of Madhya Pradesh. INDIA
2014, 2018	Recipient of Appreciation for Teaching, ME 851A, Compliant Mechanisms
2013, 2014	Recipient of Appreciation for Teaching, TA 101A, Technical Arts
2012, 2017	Recipient of Appreciation for Teaching, ME 751A, CAD
2015-	Association of Machines and Mechanisms
2021	Life Member The American Society of Mechanical Engineers, ASME
	Member

TEACHING MERITS	
Pedagogical training/expertise	23 years of experience in teaching graduate and undergraduate courses in and related to computer aided engineering design, compliant mech- anisms, large deformation analysis, structural (topology) optimiza- tion, kinematic and geometric modeling, assistive/ orthotic/ exoskele- tal devices, bio-inspired design, and multi-body dynamics of flexible systems.
Open access teaching	Computer Aided Engineering Design (NPTEL/Online) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dp0vGTUAVPs
	Technical Arts (NPTEL/Online) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZIZyQbCX30E
Research based teaching	Topology Optimization IGMR, RWTH Aachen University, Jan 10-Feb 21, 2022
	Topology Optimization Gdańsk University of Technology, May, 2022
	ME851A Compliant Mechanisms 2013(II), 2017(II), 2024(I)
	Genesis; glimpse of applications; continuum and discrete perspectives: nonlinear finite element analysis and pseudo rigid-body analysis; design of compliant mech- anisms based on linkage synthesis and structural optimization methods; function and path generation; Medical, Soft and Rehabilitative Robotics; static balancing; applications in microsystems, precision engineering, automotive, product design, etc.
	$({\bf Received}\ {\bf Appreciation}\ for\ {\bf Teaching}\ both\ times)$
Other teaching experience	ME751A Computer Aided Engineering Design — 2001(II), 2002(I), 2003(I), 2004(I), 2005(I), 2006(I), 2007(II), 2009(I), 2010(I), 2012 (I), 2014 (I), 2015 (I, IITG), 2017 (I), 2018 (I), 2019 (I), 2020 (II), 2022 (II), 2023 (II)
	Transformations and Projections, Design and Representation of Curves and Sur- faces (Ferguson, Bezier and B-Spline), Derivation and comprehension of B-spline basis functions, Solid Modeling (Wire frame, B-rep, CSG and Voxel approaches), Basics of FEM and Optimization.
	(Received Appreciation for Teaching multiple times)
	ME676A Nonlinear Finite Element Methods — 2019 (II), 2021 (I), 2023 (I)
	Introduction with Newton-Raphson's and Arc-Length Methods using truss ele- ments, Snap through and Bifurcations, Co-rotational Beams, Statically balanced configurations, Tensors, Stress and Strain measures, Work Conjugates, Consti- tutive Relations, Weak form of Governing Equation, Generic Finite Element Modeling with/out contact, Multibody dynamics with flexible members, coding projects/exams with many examples with MATLAB code templates.
	ME321A Advance Mechanics of Solids — 2008(I), 2009(II), 2016 (II) Classical Elasticity Equilibrium equations, strain-displacement relations, compat- ibility and stress-strain relations, Stress function, Solutions with stress functions, Tensors, Analysis of Stress and Strain Tensors, Constitutive Elasticity Tensor, Stress-Strain energy conjugate measures, introduction to FEM.

Other teaching experience	
(contd.)	TA101A Engineering Drawing and Graphics — 2013 (I), 2014 (I) Orthographic (Third and first angle), Isometric, Sectional, Assembly, Oblique, Perpenditive and Auviliary views, Lines and lange Interaction and Development
	(Received Appreciation for Teaching both times)
	ME 352A Kinematics of Machines and Mechanisms — 2015 (II) Overview and basics on mobility, degrees of freedom (Grübler's criterion); dis- placement, velocity and acceleration analysis (analytical and graphical using the instant center method); overview on type, number and dimensional synthesis; linkages; Grashof's criterion; function, path and motion generation using ana- lytical and graphical approaches; Overview on Kempe's linkages and Compliant mechanisms; Gears; Cams and methods for profile design; Balancing of rotors; belt-pulley drives, etc.
	ME 251A Engineering Design and Graphics -2018 (II)
	Section and Assembly drawings using examples of Belt Roller Assembly, Non- return value, Feed check valve, Screw Jack Assembly, Couplings, Fuel Injector Assembly, representations of Fasteners, Springs, Gears, Bearings, Fits and Toler- ances, and overview of Design Principles.
	ME 681A Mathematical Methods in Engineering $-2005(II)$
	Vector and Matrix Algebra, Vector Spaces, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations, Analysis with Complex Numbers
	ESO204A Mechanics of Solids — Summer, 2003
	Stresses, strains, material properties, shear force and bending moment diagrams, deflections of beams, torsion, columns, springs and failure theories
	ME 351A Design of Machine Elements — 2003 (II)
	Review of Mechanics of Solids, Failure theories, Fatigue failure, Design of fasteners, springs, shafts, spur and helical gears, clutches, brakes and flywheels
	ME 685A Programming and Numerical Methods — $2002(II)$, $2004(II)$, 2007 (I)
	Curve interpolation and approximation, Numerical integration and differentiation, Single and Multiple Root determination, Solution of Linear and Nonlinear system of equations, Matrices, and ODE and PDEs
	ME 399A Communication Skills -2014 (II)
	Various aspects of communication skills including group discussions, public speak- ing, planning and making presentations, technical writing, non-verbal, verbal and written modes, role of body language etc. covered and emphasized through a number of interactive sessions. <i>text editing</i> sessions (using the green board) to demonstrate minimization of verbosity and proper choice of words so that evolv- ing the first draft in a few iterations yields a well composed document.
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