

# Ankit Shukla

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## EDUCATION

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- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)** Aug. 2019 - Present  
PhD. Student, Electrical and Computer Engineering  
*Advisor:* Prof. Shaloo Rakheja
- New York University (NYU), Brooklyn** Aug. 2018 - Aug. 2019  
PhD. Student, Electrical and Computer Engineering  
*Advisor:* Prof. Shaloo Rakheja
- Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM)** Aug. 2012 - May 2017  
Dual Degree (B.Tech & M.Tech) in Electrical Engineering  
*Advisor:* Prof. Anjan Chakravorty

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Theoretical and numerical magnetism, spintronics and solid state electronics

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- Switching in a piezoelectric Antiferromagnets (AFMs)** Apr. 2020 - Present  
*Towards Ph.D. Thesis* *Collaborators:* Arun Parthasarathy, Prof. Shaloo Rakheja
- Studying the physics of ferroelectric materials for possible use in spin-torque driven AFM memory.
- Antiferromagnetic textures and their dynamics** Jan. 2020 - Present  
*Towards Ph.D. Thesis* *Collaborators:* Prof. Shaloo Rakheja
- Working on numerical solution of coupled LLG equation for collinear and non-collinear AFMs
  - The developed codes would then be used to study different textures and dynamics in AFMs.
- Switching time of spin-torque-driven magnetization in biaxial ferromagnets** Jan. 2019 - Jan. 2020  
*Towards Ph.D. Thesis* *Collaborators:* Arun Parthasarathy, Prof. Shaloo Rakheja
- Extended analytic switching models for spin-torque driven in-plane magnetic memories using constant-energy orbit approximation
  - Derived analytic models for probability distribution functions and benchmarked them against numerical data for single-domain magnets.
- Numerical modeling of electron transport in Silicon Nanowire transistor-2** Jul. 2017 - Jun. 2018  
*Research Assistant* *Advisor:* Prof. Anjan Chakravorty
- Implemented electron-phonon interaction based scattering dominated transport using first order Born approximation
  - Implemented hydrodynamic transport model in mode-space to consider the effects of thermal diffusion.
- Numerical modeling of electron transport in Silicon Nanowire transistor-1** Jun. 2016 - May 2017  
*Masters Dissertation* *Advisor:* Prof. Anjan Chakravorty
- Implemented electron transport in a Silicon Nanowire transistor by solving Poisson's, Schrodinger's and transport equations (NEGF and BTE) for both ballistic and diffusive transport limits
  - Also implemented and studied the effects of self-heating on electron transport using Fourier's law.

## MEETINGS/TALKS

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**A. Shukla, A. Parthasarathy, and S. Rakheja**, "Analytic modeling of switching time dynamics of monodomain ferromagnets with biaxial energy landscape", accepted at APS March Meetings 2020.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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A. Shukla, A. Parthasarathy, and S. Rakheja, "Switching time of spin-torque-driven magnetization in biaxial ferromagnets". (Under review)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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- Recipient of the **School of Engineering Fellowship** at NYU for 2018-2019
- Secured an **All India Rank 749** in IIT-JEE 2012 among half million applicants

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Graduate Research Assistant** Aug. 2018 - Present  
*Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering, NYU/UIUC*

- Studying the effects of spin torque on ferromagnets and antiferromagnets with different energy landscape using numerical and analytical approaches under the guidance of Prof. Rakheja.

**Teaching Assistant** Jul. 2016 - May 2017  
*Dept. of Electrical Engineering, IIT Madras*

- Assisted the instructors with grading and preparing homework solutions for the courses EE2016: Microprocessor Theory & Lab and EE3005: Communication Systems.

**Summer Intern** May 2015 - July 2015  
*General Electric, Bangalore*

- Worked on the development of a simulator in a team of experienced professionals with an aim to optimize company's resources
- Contributed towards establishing serial port communication between different modules of the software replica of the hardware simulator using C and C++.

## RELEVANT COURSES

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**UIUC:** Theory of Semiconductors and Semiconductor Devices, Integrated Optics and Optoelectronics.

**NYU:** Introduction to VLSI Design, Nanoelectronic Devices, Hardware Security, Scientific Computing.

**IITM:** Solid State Devices, Device Modeling, MOS Device Modeling and Characterization, VLSI Technology, Advanced CMOS Devices and Technology.

## SOCIAL SERVICE

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**National Service Scheme** Aug. 2012 - May 2014

- Read English literature to visually impaired college students in order to help them in their academics.

**Avanti Fellows** Aug. 2014 - Jul. 2016

- Mentored two high school students in their preparation for IIT Joint Entrance Exam
- Taught a few classes of high school physics and helped the students with problem solving .