## Hardik Gupta

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EDUCATION University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Sept 2023 - May 2025

Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Robotics

Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

Aug 2018 - Jun 2023

Bachelor of Engineering (B.E.) in Mechanical Engineering

Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Biological Sciences

SKILLS Languages Python, C++, Java, C, JavaScript, R, HTML, CSS, MATLAB

Databases MySQL, MongoDB

Libraries and Frameworks TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Tableau, OpenCV, ReactJS, Express.js, Node.js, Diango, Flask

Others Git, Amazon Web Services, GitHub, Bash Scripting, CUDA, Metal, LATEX

#### EXPERIENCE Graduate Research Assistant, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

June 2024 - Present

Large Language Models, Mathematical Modeling, Generative Pre-Trained Transformer

- Collaborated on the development of a mathematical model to analyze consumer decision-making under uncertainty using Bayesian inference and LLMs for optimal product attribute evaluation and utility maximization.
- Conducted in-depth research on Transformer architecture, including tokenization processes and the implementation of attention mechanisms, to enhance our understanding of Generative AI's impact on consumer information acquisition.

#### Financial Analyst Intern, Union Bank of Switzerland

Feb 2023 - Jun 2023

Python, Pandas, Numpy, Beautiful Soup, Excel Macros, VBA

- Automated the analysis of Pension IPV, streamlining the preparation of CPV graphs for clients, which increased efficiency and reduced analysis time by 40%.
- Utilized Python libraries, along with UBS reporting tools, Totem, and Bloomberg, to analyze and report on key financial figures, improving data analysis.
- Assisted in a training sessions on automation in Finance for 18 team members, contributing to discussions on the use of python and Power BI in finance.

# SELECTED PROJECTS

#### RentFree, Short-term Property Listing and Management Web Application

Jun 2024

React, Node.js, Express, MongoDB, AWS S3, Tailwind CSS Live Project

- Developed a full-stack web application enabling users to list, search, and manage rental properties, integrating property-listing and booking features for seamless user experience.
- Implemented secure user authentication and authorization with real-time updates on property availability and inquiries, ensuring data integrity and user trust.
- Designed and deployed a profile management system with a responsive interface, adapting to various screen sizes and enhancing user accessibility and experience.

#### **Apple Detection and Counting in Orchards**

Dec 2023

Python, YOLOv8, 3D Reconstrution, Filtering

- Implemented a robust apple detection pipeline using YOLOv8, achieving detection with 85.2% accuracy.
- Developed a 3D reconstruction pipeline using COLMAP to create detailed point clouds from overlapping 2D images and applied DBSCAN for clustering detected apple points in 3D space, improving the precision.
- Utilized RANSAC for ground and tree trunk plane detection to filter out irrelevant apples, ensuring accurate yield estimation to increase by 16%.

### Optimised Trajectory and Collision Avoidance using Nonlinear Model Predictive Control

Dec 2022

Python, Non-Linear Control and Optimization, Path Planning

- Programmed the Nonlinear Model Predictive Control of the single robotic system for collision avoidance in a dynamic obstacle environment.
- Simulated the problem of MAV reactive collision avoidance by employing a model-based controller and scaled the system to a two-robot system

#### PUBLISHED WORK

#### The Phylogenetic Study of the CRISPR-Cas System in Enterobacteriaceae

Apr 2023

Clustering Algorithms, BLAST, Data Analysis PMID: 37118221

Systematically investigate the evolutionary framework of the CRISPR-Cas system in six *Enterobacteriaceae* species and its evolutionary association with housekeeping genes as determined by the gyrB phenogram. These results advance our understanding of the dynamics of the CRISPR-Cas system.