# ISHAAN PARANJAPE

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# **EDUCATION**

University of California, Santa Cruz

Sept. 2019 - Present

PhD, Computational Media Qualifying exam complete

University of California, Santa Cruz

2017 - 2019

MS, Computer Engineering

Savitribai Phule Pune University

2013 - 2017

Bachelor of Technology, Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering

**SKILLS** 

Programming languages
Technical documentation

C/C++, Python, MATLAB

LaTex

Tools

Unreal Engine 4 and 5, Unity, Blender, CARLA simulator

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# Summer Intern, Autonomous Vehicle Simulation Intern

Summer 2021, Summer 2022

Ford Motor Company

· Worked with the simulation team both times. Projects included simulation scenario variation and 3D environment generation from LIDAR and camera data for testing autonomous vehicles.

# Graduate Student Researcher

Summer 2018, 2019, Spring 2020, Winter 2021

Augmented Design Lab, University of California, Santa Cruz

· Procedural scenario generation for testing autonomous vehicles.

# **Associate Instructor**

Summer 2020, Session 1, Spring 2023

University of California, Santa Cruz

· Taught the university courses Game Technologies and Foundations of Video Game Design where core concepts of Unreal Engine and game design were covered respectively.

# Teaching Assistant

Spring 2018 - December 2023

University of California, Santa Cruz

· TA for the undergraduate capstone game project courses, Phaser and Unity game engine (4 times) based courses and a game graphics course.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

A Modular Architecture for Procedural Generation of Towns, Intersections and Scenarios for Testing Autonomous Vehicles

IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium 2020.

Scenario QA: Evaluating Test Scenario Reasoning Capabilities of Large Language Models

\*\*Accepted to IEEE Intelligent Transportation Systems Conference 2024.\*\*