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Education

MS Mechanical – Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA

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Research Interests

Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Information Visualization, Media Processing, Creativity, Performance Arts

Other Information

Niranjan is also a practising theatre writer and director. Having written, adapted/ translated 17 plays till date, his work has been featured in national and international theatre festivals. He is also the recipient of the Tendulkar-Dubey Fellowship awarded annually to five theatre artists all over India.

Recent Publications

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