Why did you choose Purdue?

I wanted to pursue a PhD in heat transfer and work in industry after graduation, and Purdue fit the bill really well. The school conducts highly cited and impactful work in applied heat transfer and often has projects funded directly by semiconductor industries. It is also home to the Birck Nanotechnology Center which housed the largest academic cleanroom at the time of its completion. This, along with having a great potential advisor made me confident that Purdue was the right choice for me. In fact, it was the only school I applied to!

Please briefly describe your research:

My research is focused on the thermal management of electronic systems. With rapid advances, heat fluxes in complex systems can get even higher than those in the sun. My project explores the concept of integrating phase change materials (PCM) within the silicon die. Doing so enables effective hotspot mitigation without an increase in package dimensions. Essentially, this can keep your phones from getting hot while keeping it thin. We use machine learning to optimize the geometry and will experimentally demonstrate the concept with a fabricated PCM-integrated chip.

How do you keep yourself organized?

I typically assign days of the week for different tasks, predominantly being academic coursework and research, and stick to strictly. I treat being a graduate student as a full-time employee and often do most of my work in the morning and afternoon and leave the evening for cooking and hobbies. With regards to research, my advisor helps me understand the project needs and ensures that I stay on track.

How do you de-stress in your free time?

I like to exercise, and Purdue has a great recreational facility to do so. I used to participate actively in intramurals but now have started to explore rock climbing at the CoRec.

What are you hoping to do after your life at Purdue?

I am hoping to pursue a career as a research engineer at a semiconductor/automotive firm after graduating.
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