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i Short Bio

A fourth-year PhD student at SMCS in IACS, under the supervision of Dr. Debarshi Kumar Sanyal. I am currently working in the field of NLP, specifically on topic models that are used to extract topics from document corpora in an unsupervised manner.

Education

Oct 2020 Sep 2025*	Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science Ph.D. from the School of Mathematical & Computational Sciences (SMCS)	Kolkata, India
Aug 2018 Jul 2020	Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science M.Sc. in Mathematics & Computing from SMCS	Kolkata, India
2015 2018	Serampore College, University of Calcutta B.Sc.(Hons.) in Mathematics	Kolkata, India

Publications

C=Conference, W=Workshop

- [C] **Do Neural Topic Models Really Need Dropout? Analysis of the Effect of Dropout in Topic Modeling** [🔗]
Suman Adhya, Avishek Lahiri, and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal
17th European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Dubrovnik, Croatia [EACL'23]
- [C] **Improving Neural Topic Models with Wasserstein Knowledge Distillation** [🔗]
Suman Adhya and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal
45th European Conference on Information Retrieval, Dublin, Ireland [ECIR'23]
- [C] **Improving Contextualized Topic Models with Negative Sampling** [🔗]
Suman Adhya, Avishek Lahiri, Debarshi Kumar Sanyal, and Partha Pratim Das
19th International Conference on Natural Language Processing, New Delhi, India [ICON'22]
- [W] **What Does the Indian Parliament Discuss? An Exploratory Analysis of the Question Hour in the Lok Sabha** [🔗]
Suman Adhya and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal
1st Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Political Sciences, LREC, Marseille, France [PoliticalNLP @ LREC'22]

Presentations

- > EACL 2023, Poster Presentation 📄 May 2023 (Dubrovnik, Croatia)
- > ECIR 2023, Short Paper Presentation 📄 March 2023 (Virtual)
- > ICON 2022, Full Paper Presentation 📄 December 2022 (IIIT-Delhi, India)
- > PoliticalNLP @ LREC 2022, Poster Presentation 📄 June 2022 (Virtual)

Honours and Awards

Travel Grant for PIC, 2024 [🔗] : Awarded for attending flagship research networking event of ACM India held in the Infosys Mysore campus, India.

Travel Grant for CODS-COMAD, 2024 [🔗] : Awarded for attending the 7th Joint International Conference on Data Sciences and Management of Data to be held in IIIT Bangalore, India.

Microsoft Research Travel Grant, 2023 [🔗] : Awarded for presenting our paper EACL'23 held in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE), DST, 2015 [🔗] : Awarded for pursuing higher education in science.

Teaching Assistant



Laboratory - Numerical methods (PHS 4211), IACS Kolkata



January - June, 2021

> Responsibilities included setting and evaluating lab assignments.


Position of Responsibility

Volunteer Coordinator EACL'23 

Review Committee member ACL'23 , EMNLP'22 

Program Committee member EMNLP'23 Industry Track, PoliticalNLP'22 

References

- > Dr. Debarshi Kumar Sanyal *Assistant Professor at IACS, India* 
- > Dr. Partha Basuchowdhuri *Associate Professor at IACS, India* 