



## Spark Fund Investment Case Study

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| Business Requirement  | Data Set  | Data Analysis  | Outcome  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <ul> <li>Go with Industry trend in investment – Other Investors are Investing</li> <li>Investment range of \$ 5 M to \$ 15 M per round of Investment</li> <li>English Speaking Countries</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Main Dataset:</li> <li>Rounds2.csv – This is a master file with contain information about funding type, funding date, funding amount and company org link</li> <li>Companies.txt – It is a delimited file with information about company name, category, country, region and founded at is present along with unique permalink</li> <li>Mapping.csv – This file has mapping of category with main sector. Data of category is dirty and need cleaning</li> <li>Reference:</li> <li>PDF file with list of English speaking countries</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Investment Analysis – best sector to invest</li> <li>Country Analysis – Top 3     English speaking countries</li> <li>Sector Analysis – Best sectors in those countries to investment in</li> <li>Company Analysis – Best companies to invest with</li> <li>Tools: <ul> <li>R</li> <li>Tableau</li> <li>Excel</li> </ul> </li> <li>Technique: <ul> <li>CRISP – DM Framework</li> <li>Slicing, Dicing, Roll up, Drill Down, Filtering, Aggregation, Decision Tree</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul> <li>"Venture" is most followed investment type with 59% investments happen in this type. Average investment in this is ~ \$ 11 M</li> <li>USA, GBR, IND are top 3         English Speaking destination</li> <li>"Others" is the most preferred sector followed by "Social, Finance, Analytics and Advertisement"</li> <li>Virtustream, Electric Cloud, FirstCry.com are most recommended companies followed by SST Inc., Celltick Technologies and Manthan Systems</li> </ul> |



## Framework and Technique used for Analysis



We used CRISP – DM Methodology to breakdown the given dataset. It was done using various techniques

| Business<br>Understanding | Business Objective and Business<br>Strategy                                    | <ul> <li>Investment as per industry trend</li> <li>Range \$ 5 - \$ 15 Million</li> <li>English Speaking Countries</li> </ul>                    |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Data Understanding        | Star Schema  | <ul> <li>Correlation of data provided in<br/>Companies, Round2 and Mapping file.</li> <li>Ref: List of English Speaking Countries</li> </ul>    |
| Data Preparation          | Data Cleaning, Data Separation,<br>Merging                                     | <ul> <li>Covert mapping to long format</li> <li>Identify the main sectors in round2</li> <li>Cleaning the dirty data in mapping file</li> </ul> |
| Modeling                  | This was not applicable as no predictive analysis is done                      | No Data Modeling technique is used  |
| Evaluation                | Slicing, Dicing, Rollup, Drill Down<br>Filtering, Aggregation, & Decision Tree | <ul> <li>Subsets or filters</li> <li>Group the dimension attributes</li> <li>Aggregate on fact / measure attributes</li> </ul>                  |
| Deployment                | Tableau For Data Visualization   | Publish Analysis and Recommendations  |



## Analysis to identify best investment Type and Country



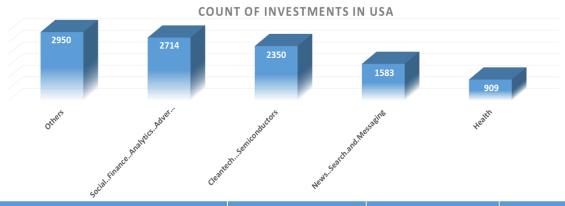
Slicing technique and aggregate function is used to identify the recommended countries for Spark Funds







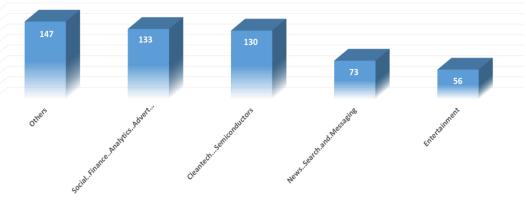
# Analysis to identify best sectors in recommended countries for Venture Investment



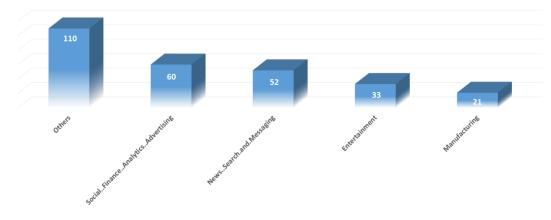
| Sector Name in USA                             | Count of<br>Investment | Average<br>Investment | Total Investment |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Others   | 2950                   | \$8.92 M              | \$26.3 B         |
| Social, Financial, Analytics and Advertisement | 2714                   | \$8.77 M              | \$23.8 B         |
| Cleantech Semiconductors                       | 2350                   | \$9.21 M              | \$21.6 B         |

#### **COUNT OF INVESTMENTS IN GBR**

| Sector Name in GBR                             | Count of<br>Investment | Average<br>Investment | Total Investment |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Others   | 147                    | \$8.73 M              | \$1.3 B          |
| Social, Financial, Analytics and Advertisement | 133                    | \$8.19 M              | \$1.1 B          |
| Cleantech Semiconductors                       | 130                    | \$8.96 M              | \$1.2 B          |



#### **COUNT OF INVESTMENTS IN IND**



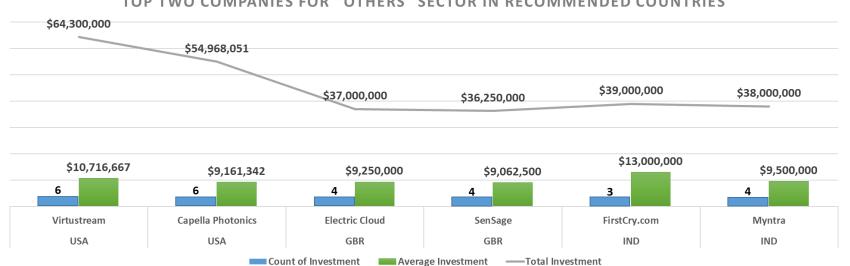
| Sector Name in IND                             | Count of<br>Investment | Average<br>Investment | Total Investment |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Others   | 110                    | \$9.21 M              | \$1.01 B         |
| Social, Financial, Analytics and Advertisement | 60                     | \$9.17 M              | \$0.55 B         |
| News, Search and Messaging                     | 52                     | \$8.34 M              | \$0.43 B         |



## Analysis to identify best companies in recommended sectors and countries UpGrad for Venture Investment







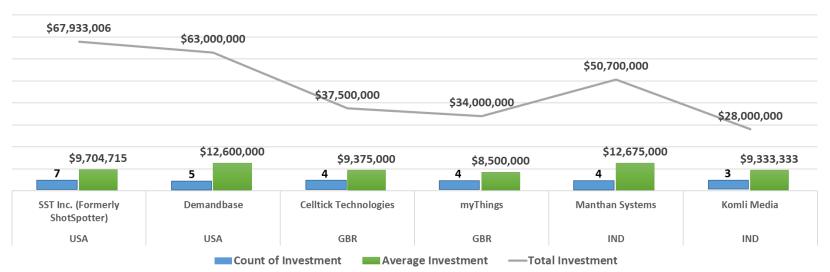
"Others" is the Most recommended Sector for Investment Type Venture.

These are identified as top two companies in each recommended region for this sector

### TOP TWO COMPANIES FOR "SOCIAL" SECTOR IN RECOMMENDED COUNTRIES

"Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertisement" is the second most recommended Sector for Investment Type Venture.

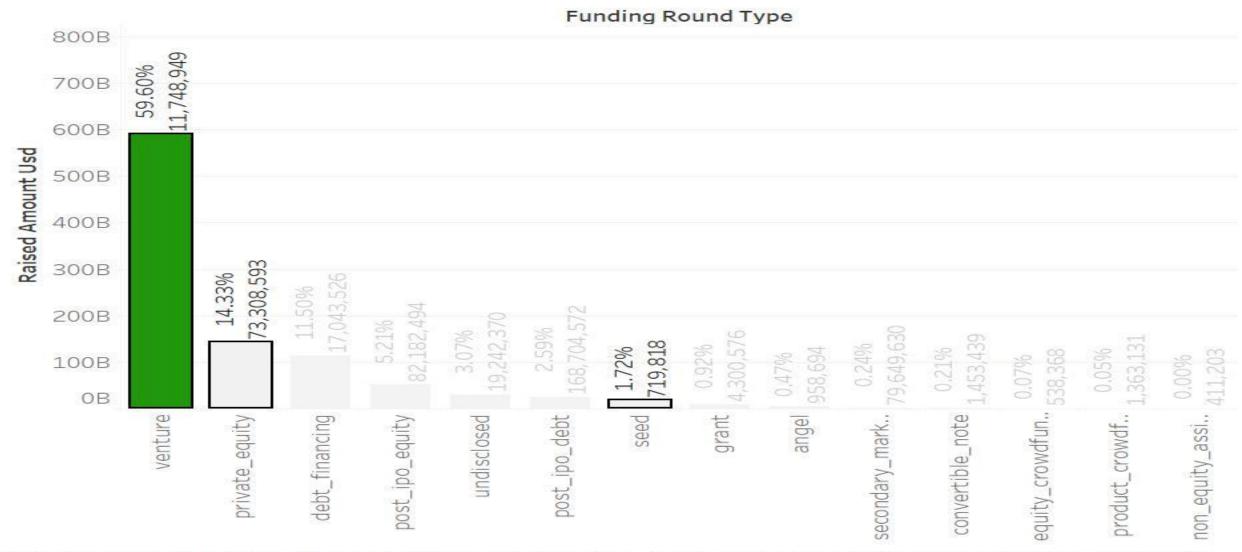
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# Plot depicting fraction of total investment along with value of average investment for each investment type





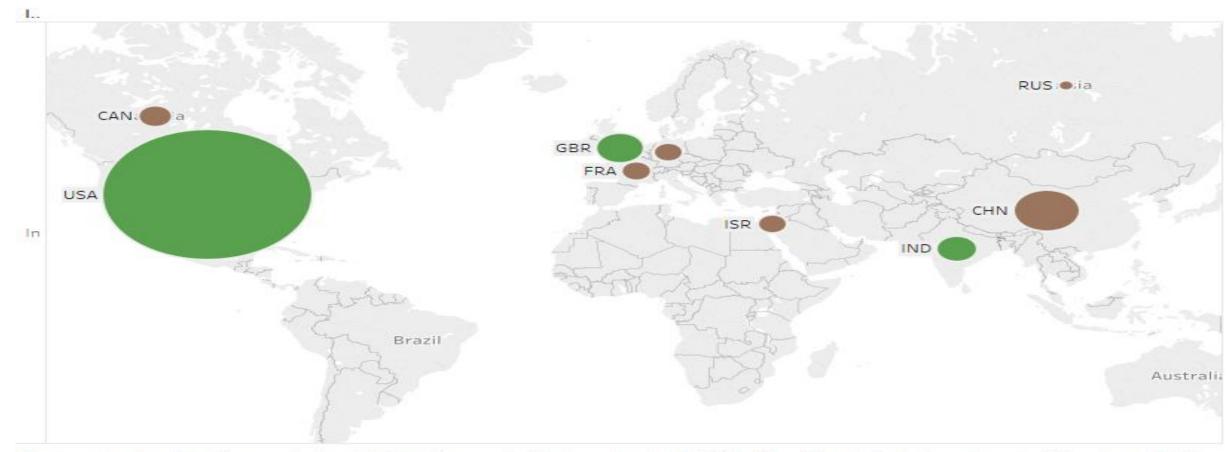
Sum of Raised Amount Usd for each Funding Round Type. Color shows sum of Investment Range. The marks are labeled by % of Total Raised Amount Usd and average of Raised Amount Usd.



### Plot showing top 9 countries based on total investment for Venture



### Top 9 Countries by Investments

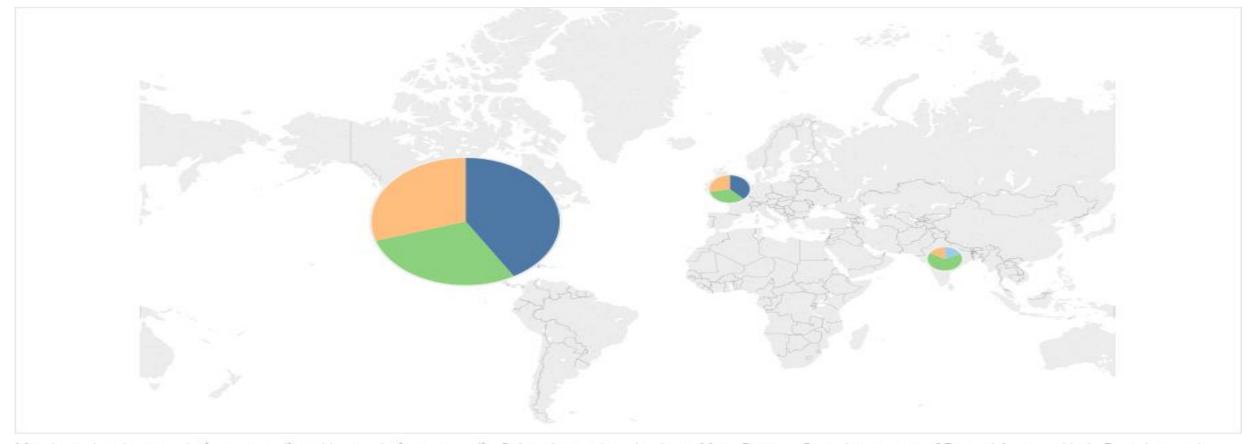


Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated) broken down by  $\ln / Out$  of Top 9 Countries by Investments. Color shows details about  $\ln / Out$  of English Countries. Size shows sum of Raised Amount Usd. The marks are labeled by country code (Sheet1). The data is filtered on Funding Round Type, which keeps venture. The view is filtered on  $\ln / Out$  of Top 9 Countries by Investments, Latitude (generated) and Longitude (generated). The  $\ln / Out$  of Top 9 Countries by Investments filter excludes Out. The Latitude (generated) filter keeps non-Null values only. The Longitude (generated) filter keeps non-Null values only.



## Plot showing top sectors in recommended countries based on count of investment for Venture





Map based on Longitude (generated) and Latitude (generated). Color shows details about Main Sector. Size shows sum of Raised Amount Usd. Details are shown for Country Code. The data is filtered on Funding Round Type and Rank of Raised Amount Usd. The Funding Round Type filter keeps venture. The Rank of Raised Amount Usd filter ranges from 1 to 3. The view is filtered on Country Code, which keeps GBR, IND and USA.

#### Main Sector

Cleantech...Semiconductors

News..Search.and.Messaging

Others

Social..Finance..Analytics..Advertising



## Our Recommendations and Assumptions



|   | Average Values of Investments for Each of these Funding Types  |                  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | Average funding amount of venture type   | \$ 11,748,949.00 |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | Average funding amount of angel type   | \$ 958,694.50    |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Average funding amount of seed type  | \$ 719,818.00    |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Average funding amount of private equity type  | \$ 73,308,593.00 |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | Considering that Spark Funds wants to invest between 5 to 15 million USD per investment round, which investment type is the most suitable. | Venture          |  |  |  |  |

| Analysing the Top 3 English-Speaking Countries |                                 |     |  |
|--|---------------------------------|-----|--|
| 1  | Top English speaking country    | USA |  |
| 2  | Second English speaking country | GBP |  |
| 3  | Third English speaking country  | IND |  |

### Assumptions

- 1. All blank cells for country code, category, main sectors, investment type and amount invested were not considered in this analysis. Providing this missing data will help us to analyze and provide more appropriate status and analysis
- 2. Mapping file was cleaned to have more accurate correlation of sectors with categories mentioned in companies.txt file
- 3. Provided PDF was used as reference and as no common field was provided to map country with provided country code, assumption is made to provide details about English speaking countries. However, if permitted, we can download the information from external sources to have better integration and firm analysis based on given country codes

|      | Sector-wise Investment Analysis   |   |   |   |  |  |
|------|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| Sl.n | o Analysis Category   | USA                                     | GBR                                     | IND                                     |  |  |
| 1    | Total number of Investments (count)   | 12150                                   | 628                                     | 330                                     |  |  |
| 2    | Total amount of investment (USD)  | \$ 108,531,347,515.00                   | \$ 5,436,843,539.00                     | \$ 2,976,543,602.00                     |  |  |
| 3    | Top Sector name (no. of investment-wise)  | Others                                  | Others                                  | Others                                  |  |  |
| 4    | Second Sector name (no. of investment-wise)   | Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising | Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising | Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising |  |  |
| 5    | Third Sector name (no. of investment-wise)  | Cleantech / Semiconductors              | Cleantech / Semiconductors              | News, Search and Messaging              |  |  |
| 6    | Number of investments in top sector (3)   | 2950                                    | 147                                     | 110                                     |  |  |
| 7    | Number of investments in second sector (4)  | 2714                                    | 133                                     | 60                                      |  |  |
| 8    | Number of investments in third sector (5)   | 2350                                    | 130                                     | 52                                      |  |  |
| 9    | For point 3 (top sector count-wise), which company received the highest investment?         | Virtustream                             | Electric Cloud                          | FirstCry.com                            |  |  |
| 10   | For point 4 (second best sector count-wise), which company received the highest investment? | SST Inc. (Formerly ShotSpotter)         | Celltick Technologies                   | Manthan Systems                         |  |  |