Anubrata Das

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Education

• University of Texas at Austin

Austin, Texas

08/2018 - Present

- Ph.D. Student, School of Information
- - Committee: Dr. Matt Lease (Chair), Dr. Min Kyung Lee, Dr. Ken Fleischmann
- Broad Research Interests: Human Computation; Human-AI Interaction; Natural Language Processing; Fairness, Accountability and Transparency
- GPA: **3.97**/4.00 (Coursework)
- Graduate Courses: Information Retrieval, Natural Language Processing, Research in Computational Linguistics, Machine Learning, Human-AI Interaction, Supervised Teaching in Information Science
- Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology Shibpur

Kolkata, India 07/2011 - 06/2015

Bachelor of Engineering, Department of Computer Science and Technology

- GPA: **8.43**/10.00
- First Class with Honors

Selected Publications [Google Scholar]

Peer Reviewed Conference

- [1] Anubrata Das, Brnadon Dang and Matthew Lease. Fast, Accurate, and Healthier: Interactive Blurring Helps Moderators Reduce Exposure to Harmful Content. In Proceedings of the 8th AAAI Conference on Human Computation and Crowdsourcing (HCOMP), 2020. To appear
- [2] Anubrata Das, Samreeen Anjum and Danna Gurari. Dataset Bias: A Case Study for Visual Question Answering. Proceedings of the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIST), 56(1), 58-67, 2019.

Journal Articles

[3] Michael D. Ekstrand, Anubrata Das, Robin Burke, Fernando Diaz. Fairness and Discrimination in Information Access. Foundations and Trends in Information Retrieval (To Appear) (2021).

Book Chapters

[4] Michael D. Ekstrand, Anubrata Das, Robin Burke, Fernando Diaz. Fairness in Recommendation. Recommender Systems Handbook (To Appear) (2021).

Peer Reviewed Workshops

[5] Anubrata Das, Kunjan Mehta, and Matthew Lease. CobWeb: A Research Prototype for Exploring User Bias in Political Fact-Checking. In ACM SIGIR Workshop on Fairness, Accountability, Confidentiality, Transparency, and Safety in Information Retrieval (FACTS-IR), 2019.

Preprints / Informal Publications

[6] Anubrata Das and Matthew Lease. A Conceptual Framework for Evaluating Fairness in Search. Technical Report, University of Texas at Austin. arXiv preprint arXiv:1907.09328 (2019).

Grants

• UT Good Systems Grand Challenge - Graduate Student Grant Proposal. Anubrata Das, Chenyan Jia, Shivam Garg. Supervisor: Dr. Min Kyung Lee. Designing algorithmic nudge to reduce inadvertent COVID-19 misinformation sharing on social media. Awarded - \$7000.

Teaching and Mentoring

• Teaching Assistant Fall 2020

- INF385T.3 / CS395T: Human Computation and Crowdsourcing by Dr. Matt Lease
- Co-Supervising undergraduate research group with Dr.Matt Lease

06/2020 - Present

- A group of ten students
- Working on fact-checking using NLP and Human-computation methods

Awards and Honors

• Graduate School Fellowship

08/2018 - 05/2019

- Awarded by the Graduate School, University of Texas at Austin
- Annual Diversity & Inclusion Best Student paper award

05/2019

- Dataset Bias: Predicting and Understanding Implications for Visual Question Answering
- Awarded by the School of Information, University of Texas at Austin
- Spot Award Mu Sigma Inc.

2016

- Awarded by the Innovation and Development Team
- Interactive visualization for Stock Market as a network
- Class of 1990 Award: Excellence in Leadership

02/2014

- Awarded by the Global Alumni Association of BESU (now IIEST)

Service

- Reviewer
 - Annual Meeting of the Association for Information Science and Technology: 2019, 2020
- Committee
 - Doctoral Studies Committee, School of Information, 2019-2020
 - Assistant Professor Hiring Committee 2020-2021
- Student Volunteer
 - CSCW 2019

Academic Experience

• Max Planck Institute of Informatics

Saarbrücken, Germany

06/2019 – 08/2019

- Visiting Student, Databases and Information Systems Group
 - Project: Systematic discovery of bias: A case study on Airbnb Listings

• Indian Institute of Management Calcutta

- Advisor: Prof. Dr. Gerhard Weikum

Kolkata, India

Visiting Student, Management Information Systems Group

10/2012 – 09/2015

- Advisor: Dr. Somprakash Bandyopadhyay
- Project: Interactive crowdsourcing on social media for micro-level need assessment using for disaster management

• Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

West Bengal, India

Visiting Student, Complex Networks and Research Group

05/2013 - 07/2013

- Advisor: Dr. Saptarshi Ghosh
- Project: Prediction of Twitter trends using Machine Learning and Data Mining Techniques

Industry Experience

• Microsoft
Software Engineer

04/2018 – 07/2018

- Build, debug and maintain a marketing management tool for Microsoft Universal Store

• Microsoft
Associate Consultant

Hyderabad, India
11/2016 – 04/2018

- Develop solutions for enterprise search for a Fortune 500 oil and gas corporation

• Mu Sigma
Decision Scientist

Bangalore, India
08/2015 – 10/2016

- Design and build research prototypes for algorithmic trading using machine learning

Skills

Research Methodologies: Experimental Design, User Study, Crowdsourcing, Natural Language Processing, In-

formation Retrieval, Machine Learning, Inferential Statistics

Programming Languages: Python, R, JavaScript, SQL

Technologies: Flask, Pytorch, Scikit-Learn, NLTK, SciPy, NumPy, Keras, Weka, Git

Survey Tools: Qualtrics

Crowdsourcing: Amazon Mechnaical Turk, AWS Sagemaker Ground Truth, AWS Augmented AI

Natural Languages: Fluent in English and Bengali, Knowledge of Hindi