

Arjun Roy

Machine Learning | Researcher



About me

I'm Arjun Roy, a seasoned researcher with over five years of dedicated experience in machine learning. Currently, I'm affiliated with Research Institute CODE (Cyber Defence and Smart Data) at Universität der Bundeswehr München, actively engaged in the EU project MAMMOth. Previously, I conducted research at L3S Research Center in Hannover, funded by the Volkswagen Foundation. My expertise spans various domains in machine learning, including FairML, Multi-task Learning, Deep Reinforcement Learning, and more. I earned my master's degree in Mathematics and Computing from the esteemed Indian Institute of Technology Patna, currently pursuing a doctorate in machine learning at Freie Universität Berlin, Germany.

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Languages

🇬🇧 English - Professional Knowledge

🇩🇪 German - Basic Knowledge



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EDUCATION

2021 -
Ongoing



Doctorate

📍 Berlin, Germany

Freie Universität Berlin

Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Science

Working on the topic of Multi-criteria of fairness-aware Machine Learning under the guidance of Prof. Dr Eirini Ntoutsi.

2017-2019



Master Degree

📍 Patna, India

Indian Institute of Technology Patna

Dept. of Mathematics

Received Master of Technology degree in Mathematics & Computing with the thesis title 'Fake News Detection' under the guidance of Prof. Dr Pushpak Bhattacharyya, Dr Asif Ekbal, and Prof. Dr Stefan Dietze.

Degree: 9.16/10 CPI (Summa cum laude)

2013-2016



Master Degree

📍 Kolkata, India

St. Xavier's College (IGNOU)

Dept. of Computer Science

Received Master of Computer Application degree with the thesis title 'Online Journal Management' under the guidance of Assoc. Prof. Shalabh Agarwal.

Degree: 62.14/100 (Magna cum laude)

WORK EXPERIENCE

2023 - till
date

Researcher

📍 Munich, Germany

Research Institute CODE

Currently employed at the Research Institute CODE, Universität der Bundeswehr München, working on the EU Horizon project MAMMOth. I am leading efforts to develop fair-ML models for resolving conflicts in fair-MTL and ensuring privacy against backdoor attacks in federated learning. The goal is to enhance model robustness against bias, knowledge loss, and membership inference attacks, while delivering a financial decision-making model to Exus and an identity verification model to ID-Now. Additionally, I contribute to a team working on multi-modal bias identification and mitigation, ensuring fair and secure model across diverse data modalities.

2019 - 2023

Researcher

📍 Hannover, Germany

L3S Research Center

During my tenure I worked on at Project BIAS, funded by the VW Foundation, I had the privilege to contribute to an interdisciplinary research endeavor uniting experts from philosophy, law, and computer science. My role involved orchestrating collaboration between the philosophical and legal teams, fostering an understanding of societal biases and fairness principles. Subsequently, I spearheaded the development of ethical algorithms aimed at assessing and mitigating biases, while ensuring alignment with anti-discrimination laws. Addressing the technical complexities inherent in the project, I navigated multi-objective challenges inherent in fairness-aware learning, particularly concerning multiple protected attributes, while maintaining high predictive performance across all classes.

2022 - 2023

Visiting Researcher

📍 Munich, Germany

Research Institute CODE

My job was to develop the necessary tools and techniques for the discovery and mitigation of (multi-)discrimination in tabular, visual, and graph data. The goal is to demonstrate through pilots the developed solutions into three relevant sectors of interest: a) finance/loan applications, b) identity verification systems, and c) academic evaluation.

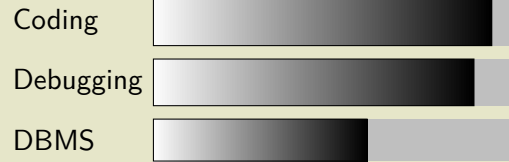
Soft Skills and Strengths

CreativeFlexibleConfidentInnovator

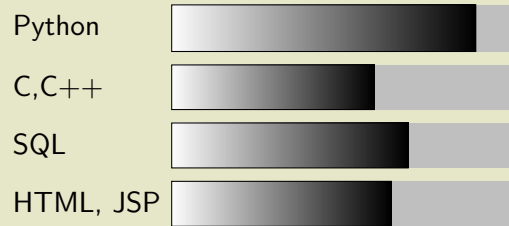
Problem SolvingTeam WorkLeadership

Good CommunicationDiplomacyPatience

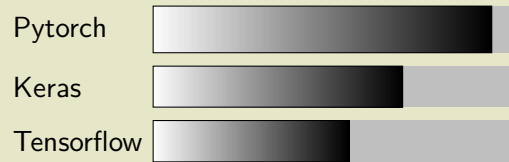
Professional Skills



Programming Languages



Deep Learning Frameworks



Teaching Skills

- Tutorials, Artificial Intelligence (UniBw, 2024)
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- Tutorials, Reinforcement Learning (FUB, 2021-22)
- Tutorials, Data Mining (LUH, 2020-21)

Other Interests

- Guitar🎸
 - Chess♟️
 - Gym🏋️
- Travels🌍
 - Climbing🧗
 - Books📖

Awards

- 🏆 DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst) Scholarship for Master's Thesis work (2018)
- 🎓 Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE): top 3% rank in India, awarded Scholarship for master's studies.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

2022-2022

Visiting Researcher

📍 Thessaloniki, Greece

Information Technologies Institute-CERTH

Worked on the topic of 'Grouping Fairness-aware Multi-Tasking NN'. My focus here was to develop algorithms that in training performs a network architecture search within a Multi-task Learning setup that groups tasks together to improve per-task fairness and accuracy (positive and fairness-aware transfer of inter-task information).

2018-2019

Research Intern

📍 Hannover, Germany

L3S Research Center

Working on the topic of 'Stance Detection'. I along with Dr Fafalios under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Dietze developed a pipeline algorithm that searches for relevant documents for a given claim and finds the agree/disagree stance of such relevant documents.

PUBLICATIONS

Total citations: 504 (till last update)

Ramanaik, C. K., Roy, A., & Ntoutsis, E. (2024). Adversarial robustness of vaes across intersectional subgroups. *arXiv preprint*.

Swati, S., Roy, A., & Ntoutsis, E. (2024). Exploring fusion techniques in multimodal ai-based recruitment: Insights from faircvdb. *EWAF*.

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Roy, A., Basak, K., Ekbal, A., & Bhattacharyya, P. (2019). A deep ensemble framework for fake news detection and multi-class classification of short political statements. *ICNLP*.

Roy, A., Kapil, P., Basak, K., & Ekbal, A. (2018). An ensemble approach for aggression identification in english and hindi text. *TRAC Workshop*.