



INVESTMENT ASSIGNMENT

SUBMISSION

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ABSTRACT



PROBLEM STATEMENT:

Spark Funds being an asset management company wants to understand the global trends in investment and invest in some companies

BUSINESS CONSTRAINT:

- Invest between 5 to 15 million USD per round of investment
- Invest only in **English-speaking countries**

STRATEGY:

Invest where most of the **other investors are investing**

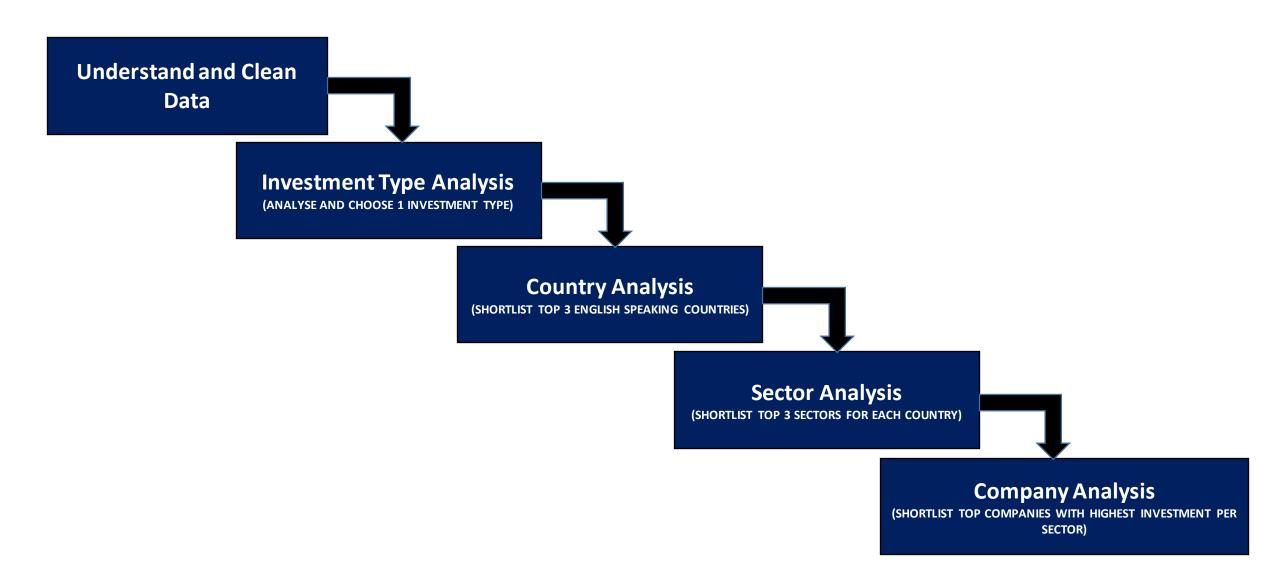
DATA ANALYSIS GOALS FOR MAKING THE RIGHT RECOMMENDATION:

- Investment type analysis
- Country analysis
- Sector analysis



PROBLEM SOLVING METHODOLOGY







INITIAL ANALYSIS: UNDERSTANDING DATASET



Important DataFrames	Shape	Unique_ID	Count(Unique_ID)	
companies	(66368, 10)	permalink	66368	
rounds2	(114949, 6)	funding_round_permalink	114949	
master_frame(Original)	(114949, 15)	funding_round_permalink	114949	
master_frame(Post Cleanup)	(88529, 9)	funding_round_permalink	88529	
mapping(Post Cleanup)	(687, 10)	category_list	687	



INVESTMENT TYPE ANALYSIS



fund_type	Frequency
venture	47534
seed	21093
angel	4399
private_equity	1584

fund_type	Inv Amount Median
venture	5000000
seed	300000
angel	414906
private_equity	20000000

fund_type	Inv Amount Mean
venture	9705920.18
seed	732219.59
angel	859380.12
private_equity	30449598.60

fund_type	Inv Amount 25th Percentile
venture	1600000
seed	68794
angel	152671
private_equity	4499995.25

fund_type	Inv Amount 75th Percentile
venture	12000000
seed	1000000
angel	1000000
private_equity	50000000

- 1. Private Equity Huge investors Huge Funds for Investment Number of such investors are less.
- 2. Venture Moderate investors Moderate Funds Number of such investors is the highest
- 3. Angel and Seed Small investors Small Funds Number of such investors between Venture and Private Equity

Conclusion: Since we have to invest 5-15 M, clearly 'Venture' is our desired Fund Type.

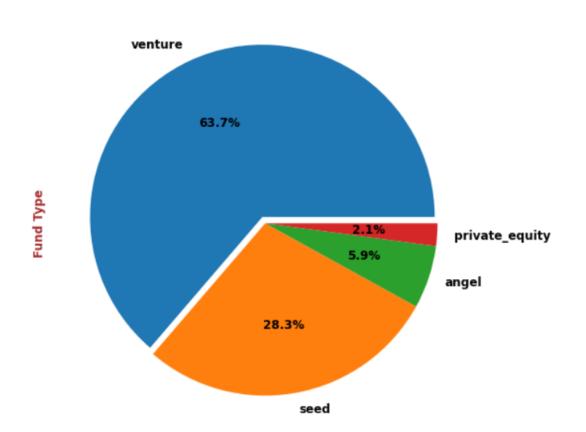


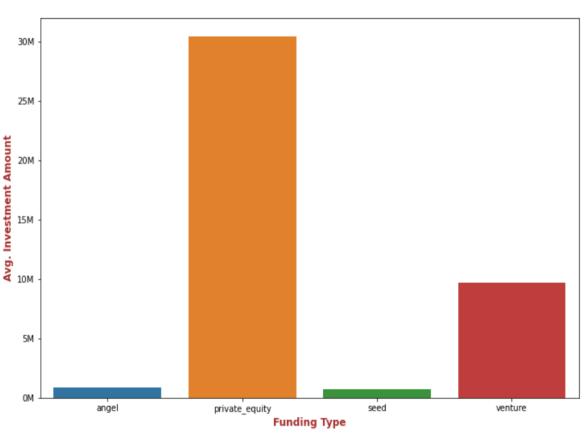
PLOT 1: INVESTMENT TYPE ANALYSIS



Frequency Of Data Across Various Funding Types

Representative Amount Of Investment In Each Funding Type







COUNTRY ANALYSIS



Top 9 Countries for 'Venture'

country_code	Inv Amount Sum (M)
USA	348203.89
CHN	25142.92
GBR	18017.21
IND	10235.81
CAN	9317.22
ISR	6704.35
FRA	6370.33
DEU	6136.74
CHE	2801.56

Analysis:

Top 3 countries as per investment sum for 'Venture' fund type are:

- 1. USA 350 Billion USD
- 2. China 25 Billion USD
- 3. United Kingdom 18 Billion USD

Business Constraint: Official Language – English Hence China cannot be listed in the top 3 countries.

Final Shortlisted 3 Countries:

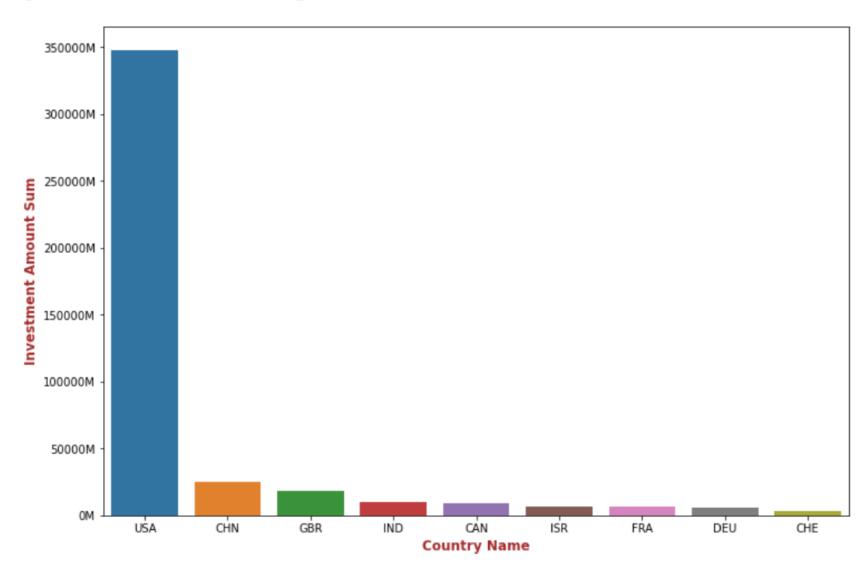
- 1. USA 350 Billion USD
- 2. United Kingdom 18 Billion USD
- 3. India 10 Billion USD



PLOT 2: COUNTRY ANALYSIS



Top 9 Countries With Highest Sum Of Investment Amount Across All Sectors





SECTOR TYPE ANALYSIS



Top 3 sectors identified in each of the top 3 countries for fund type 'Venture' with investment between 5M and 15M

USA GBR IND

main_sector	No_Of_Investments	main_sector	No_Of_Investments	main_sector	No_Of_Investments
Others	2950	Others	147	Others	110
Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	2714	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	133	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	60
Cleantech / Semiconductors	2350	Cleantech / Semiconductors	130	News, Search and Messaging	52

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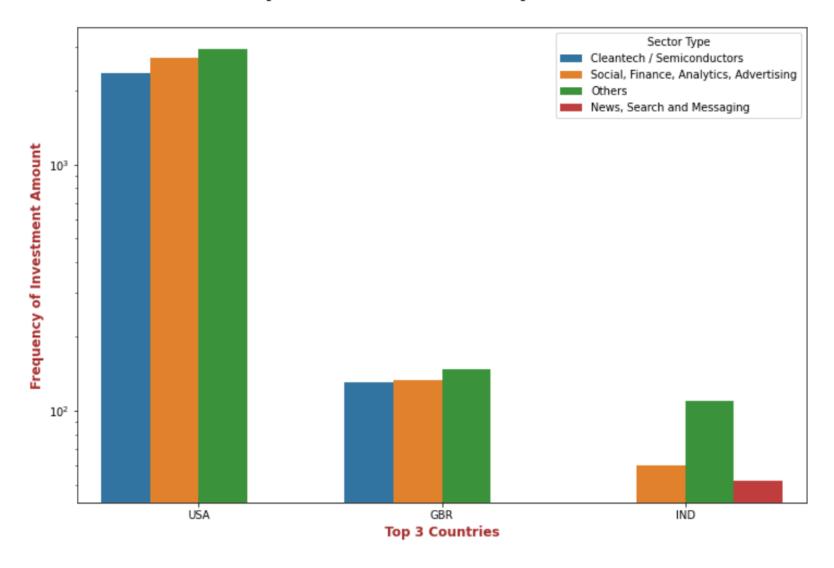
main_sector	Invest_Amt_Sum (K)	main_sector	Invest_Amt_Sum (K)	main_sector	Invest_Amt_Sum (K)
Others	26321007.00	Others	1283624.29	Others	1013409.51
Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	23807376.96	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	1163990.06	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	550549.55
News, Search and Messaging	21633430.82	News, Search and Messaging	1089404.01	News, Search and Messaging	433834.54



PLOT 3: SECTOR ANALYSIS



Number Of Investments in Top 3 Sectors of the Top 3 Countries for 'Venture' Fund Type





COMPANY ANALYSIS



Investment_Sum_In_All_Rounds

country_code	main_sector	Company_Name	
USA	Cleantech / Semiconductors	Biodesix	75300000.0
	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	SST Inc. (Formerly ShotSpotter)	67933006.0
	Others	Virtustream	64300000.0
IND	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	Manthan Systems	50700000.0
	Others	FirstCry.com	39000000.0
	News, Search and Messaging	GupShup	33000000.0
GBR	Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	Celltick Technologies	37500000.0
	Others	Electric Cloud	37000000.0
	Cleantech / Semiconductors	EUSA Pharma	35600000.0

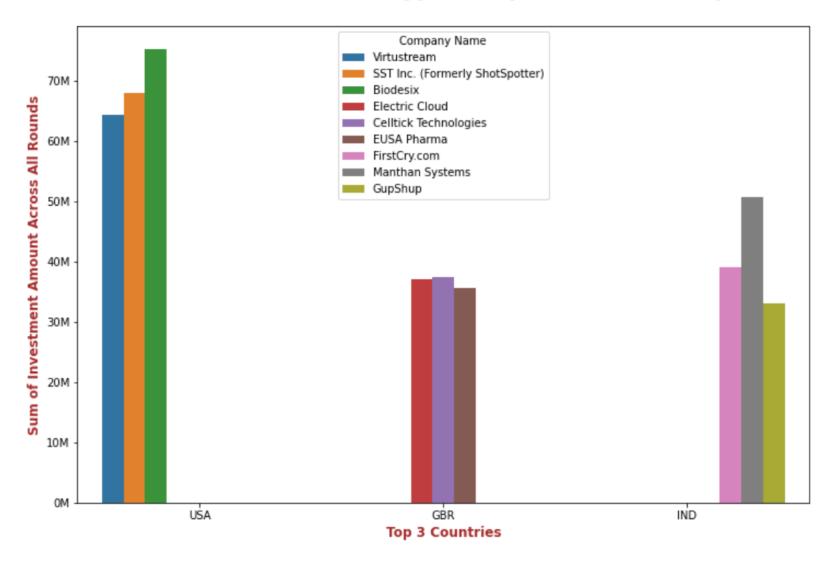
Based of the highest investment (calculated by sum of investment per sector across all rounds) on companies between 5 and 15 million, for each sector, country and fund type selected, we have identified the above mentioned companies that Spark Funds can invest in.



PLOT 4: COMPANY ANALYSIS



Final Recommendation Of 'Venture' Fund Type Companies Across Top 3 Sectors Per Country





FINAL RECOMMENDATION



F	und Type	Venture								
ı	nvestment				5-15 Million					
(Country	USA			IND			GBR		
	Sector/Cate gory	Cleantech Social, / Finance, Semicond Analytics, uctors Advertising		Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising	News, Others Search and Messaging		Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising Cleantech / Semicond uctors			
(Company	Biodesix	SST Inc. (Formerly ShotSpotter)	Virtustr eam	Manthan Systems	FirstCry. com	GupShup	Celltick Technologies	Electric Cloud	EUSA Pharma