

# Biresh Basak

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A Quantitative research analyst, software architect and developer

- Currently working as Assistant Professor at Dept of CSE, Techno India University Kolkata
- Research interests- Data Science, ML, Web Design Techniques
- 15+ years of design and development experience in FinTech and other areas

## Interests & Skills

- *Financial Technology* - Equity and Derivative instruments [Portfolio analysis, Risk Mgmt, Yield Curve]
- *Software Development* : Java, C++, JavaScript, Python, MatLab, PHP
- *Softwares*: MS Excel, Visual Basic, MS Access, plugins
- *Others*: SQL, Servlets, Web Services, JSON, AJAX

## Academic Experience

- ❑ **Assistant Professor of Computer Science (Techno India University, Kolkata)** Sep 2019 - current  
Recent subjects: Computational Statistics, Data Science, Web Technology, Data Structures & Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming
- ❑ **Computer Science & IT Instructor (Treamis World School, Bangalore)** June 2019 - Aug 2019  
Teaching students of Standard 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> (under CBSE, India)  
Subjects : Algorithms, Complexities, Data Structures, RDBMS, Networking

## Work Experience

- ❑ **Bank of America Merrill Lynch (Research Analyst, Credit Risk Management, NY)** 2007 - 2014  
  
A Quantitative Analyst and Software Developer for Counterparty Credit and Capital Risk, primarily doing credit analysis of Fixed Income and Derivative securities using various mathematical models
  - Credit Risk models related to financial instruments, like Yield Curves, indices, exchange rates and customized securities for clients
  - Worked on implementing scenario generation models for credit spreads, interest rates and default probabilities
  - Developing analytics for pricing Mortgage Backed and Asset Backed securities, Credit Default Swaps, Interest Rate Swaps and more for mid-cap and large-cap clients
  - Research & implementation of Quantitative models using various methods for valuation and risk management
  - Architecture and Development of the UVO (User Valuation Override) methodology – for exotic securities
  - Identifying and Stochastic modeling of Market Risk factors
    - Interest Rates, Foreign Exchange, Credit Spread, PSA, Option Adjusted Spread (for Mortgage Backed Securities)
    - Time Series Analysis, PCA decomposition, Regression Analysis
  - Tools & Software:- Java, JavaScript and C++, Python, Monte-Carlo Simulation, Risk Factor Sensitivity

- ❑ **Salomon Smith Barney Inc, Citigroup (VP, Research Analysis, Yield Book, NY )** 2000 - 2007
  - One of the main developers of the front-End of 'Yield Book Calculator' – one of the main products of [www.Yieldbook.com](http://www.Yieldbook.com) ( now part of FTSE Russell, London) using Java Swing technology
  - Developer of the YB-Excel-AddIn using the SOAP paradigm on XML-based design for lightweight clients
  - Testing and maintenance of analytics for Mortgage and Asset Backed securities, Interest Rate swaps, futures, derivatives using standard and non-standard methods.
  - Developed the web infrastructure of Yield Book XML API (for handling SOAP protocol); helped the group launch Fixed Income analytics services along with Market Data Support. Worked with tech support and trading desk in close coordination with large-cap clients
  - Tools & Software :- Java, J2EE, Swing, C++, Servlets, XML API, MS Access/Excel Plugin, SQL
- ❑ **Federal Express ( Memphis, TN )** Mar 1999 - Dec 1999
  - Designed and developed client side software application for Aircraft Maintenance and Dispatching System (AMADS) tracking aircrafts' refueling status, maintenance schedules and dispatch assignments on UNIX
  - AMADS went on successfully to get customized for running on desktops at FedEx's central command at Memphis, Tennessee and thereafter also to run on handheld tablets for ground officers
- ❑ **D. E. Shaw India Private Ltd ( Hyderabad, India )** 1997 - 1999
  - Developed a real-time data display tool called 'Market Maker' for displaying data from Reuters Select Feed to be used by traders at D E Shaw & Co. New York
  - The project successfully helped retire their old trading desk readers called Reuters Select Feed reader.
- ❑ **Frontier Information Technologies Ltd ( Hyderabad, India )** 1996 – 1997
  - Developed desktop software called "My Briefcase" for PCs and notebooks; helping Business travelers manage documents between their corporate network, PCs and their notebooks.
  - The software helped migrate their files to a revision based platform

## Education

- **B. Tech** (Comp Sc & Engg), IIT Bombay – 1996
- **MS Mathematics in Finance** (NYU, Courant Institute) – 2010  
(Completed all coursework with credits but thesis partially incomplete due to poor health condition)