Debjit Paul

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AREAS OF INTEREST Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Natural Language Understanding, Commonsense Reasoning, Knowledge-based Reasoning, Interpretable and Explain-

able Machine Learning

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate in Computational Linguistics

May 2018 - Present

Research Training Group AIPHES

Heidelberg University

Thesis: "Social Commonsense Reasoning with Structured and Unstructured Knowl-

edge"

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Anette Frank

MSc in Computer Science

October 2014 - November 2017

Saarland University Saarbrücken, Germany

Thesis: "Multitasking Learning With Unreliable Labels"

Advisor: Prof. Dr. Dietrich Klakow

Bachelor in Computer Science Engineering,

July 2010 - August 2014

GuruNanak Institute of Technology

Kolkata, India

Thesis: "Improved Algorithm for Human and non Human Object Detection"

WORK

Industry Intern

Jan 2018 - March 2018

EXPERIENCE Amplexor International

Work on Neural Machine Translation System for Medical data

Research Assistant

October 2016 - November 2016

Saarland University

Work on designing the programming challenge PACE.

PUBLICATIONS COINS: Dynamically Generating Contextualized Inference Rules for Narrative Story Completion

Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2021)

Debjit Paul, Anette Frank

Generating Hypothetical Events for Abductive Inference

Proceedings of the Tenth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics (*Sem 2021)

Debjit Paul, Anette Frank

Social Commonsense Reasoning with Multi-Head Knowledge Attention

Findings of the Association for Computational Linguistics: EMNLP 2020 **Debjit Paul**, Anette Frank

Argumentative Relation Classification with Background Knowledge

Proceedings of the 8^{th} International Conference on Computational Models of Argument (COMMA 2020), Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence and Applications, Computational Models of Argument.

Debjit Paul, Maria Becker, Juri Opitz, Graeme Hrist and Anette Frank

Explaining Arguments with Background Knowledge

Datenbank-Spektrum 20, 131–141 (2020)

Maria Becker, Ioana Hulpuş, Juri Opitz, **Debjit Paul**, Jonathan Kobbe, Heiner Stuckenschmidt, Anette Frank

Ranking and Selecting Multi-Hop Knowledge Paths to Better Predict Human Needs North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL 2019)

Debjit Paul, Anette Frank

Handling Noisy Labels for Robustly Learning from Self-Training Data for Low-Resource Sequence Labeling

North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics: Student Research Workshop (NAACL-SRW 2019)

Debjit Paul, Mittul Singh, Michael A. Hedderich, Dietrich Klakow

Numerical Comparison of multi-step iterative methods for finding roots of non-linear equations

International Journal of Mathematics Trends and Technology, Volume 4 Issue 8-September 2013

Anup Kumar Thander, Goutam Mandal, Debjit Paul

REVIEWING NAACL 2021, EACL 2021, *SEM 2020 & 2021, EMNLP 2020, KI 2019, COIN 2019

HONORS AND AWARDS

Nominated as Best Student paper at COMMA 2020

Poster Presentation: "Graph-based Multi-Hop Commonsense Knowledge", EurNLP

2019, London, UK

Winner of HQ Hackathon 2017, at Trivago, Dusseldorf, Germany

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

TECHNOLOGY Programming Languages: Python, Java, C.

Machine learning and NLP tools: NumPy, PyTorch, Tensorflow, DyNet, scikit-learn,

spaCy, NLTK, word2vec, AllenNLP, Transformers library.

LANGUAGES Bengali: Native language

English: Full professional proficiency German: Elementary proficiency

REFERENCES Available upon request