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RESEARCH INTERESTS Spatio-Temporal Data Analysis, Social Media Analysis, Healthcare Analytics, Machine Learning, Representation Learning, Data Visualization

EDUCATION **[2015-2019] PhD., University of Utah, School of Computing**, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA
Major : *Computer Science & Engineering*
Advisor : *Prof. Feifei Li*
Thesis : *Semantic aware Spatio Temporal Data Analysis*
GPA : *3.96/4.0*

[2011-2013] Masters of Technology, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Kanpur, India
Major : *Computer Science & Engineering*
Advisor : *Late Professor Sanjeev K Aggarwal*
Thesis : *Multi-constraint Job scheduling in Grid Computing*
GPA : *8.67/10.0 (Rank: 3)*

[2007-2011] Bachelors of Technology, West Bengal University of Technology, Kolkata, India
Major : *Computer Science & Engineering*
College : *Institute of Engineering and Management*
CGPA : *8.93/10 (Rank: < 10)*

WORK EXPERIENCE **[2019] Alibaba Group.**, Research Summer Internship, Sunnyvale, United States
Research: Database tuning with Machine Learning for special workloads.

[2018] Facebook, Inc., Research Summer Internship, Seattle, United States
Research: Machine Learning techniques for Search Ranking improvements.

[2017] Amazon AI Research, Research Summer Internship, New York, United States
Research: Hyperparameter optimization with MXNET.

[2013-2015] Flipkart, Data Engineer, Bangalore, India
Served as data engineer at data platform team *flipkart.com*, India's biggest e-commerce company.
Facilitated scalable environment for Big data analytics with processing pipelines for batch and stream.

THESES **[2019] PhD Thesis, Advisor: Dr. Feifei Li**
Semantic aware Spatio Temporal Data Analysis. (In Progress)
The objective is to explore the possibilities of using spatio-temporal data efficiently for understanding crowd behaviour, social dynamics and crowd sentiments through upsurging events.

[2013] M.Tech Thesis, Advisor: Late Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Aggarwal
Multi-constraint Job scheduling in Grid Computing
The objective is to efficiently schedule Jobs on Grid Computing to achieve maximum utilization of resources with energy efficient approach. Modeling real world computing & storage grid on Multi-objective Evolutionary Algorithm satisfying hard constraints on jobs constraints, resources constraints, and soft constraints on cost, and energy consumption.

PUBLICATIONS

- + Bursty Event Detection Throughout Histories, **Debjyoti Paul**, Yanqing Peng, Feifei Li, *35th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE 2019)*, Macau, China, 2019.
- + **AI Pro**: Data Processing Framework for AI Models, **Debjyoti Paul**, Richie Frost, Feifei Li, *35th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE 2019)*, Macau, China, 2019.
- + Geotagged US Tweets as Predictors of County-Level Health Outcomes, 2015–2016, Quynh C. Nguyen, Matt McCullough, Hsien-wen Meng, **Debjyoti Paul**, Dapeng Li, *American Journal of Public Health, September, 2017, DOI: 10.2105/AJPH.2017.303993*.

- + Compass: Spatio Temporal Sentiment Analysis of US Election, **Debjyoti Paul**, Feifei Li, Murali Krishna Teja, Yu Xin, Richie Frost, *What twitter says!, 23rd SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (SIGKDD 2017)*, Aug 13-17, 2017, Halifax, Canada. DOI: [10.1145/3097983.3098053](https://doi.org/10.1145/3097983.3098053).
- + Social media indicators of the food environment and state health outcomes, Quynh C. Nguyen, Hsien-wen Meng, Dapeng. Li, Matt McCullough, **Debjyoti Paul**, Kanokvimankul. P, Nguyen. T, Li. Feifei, *American Public Health Association*, 148, 120-128., 2017, DOI: [10.1016/j.puhe.2017.03.013](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.puhe.2017.03.013).
- + Multi-objective Evolution based Dynamic Job Scheduler in Grid, **Debjyoti Paul**, Sanjeev K. Aggarwal, *The 8th International Conference on Complex, Intelligent, and Software Intensive Systems (CISIS 2014)*, IEEE, July 2nd - 4th, 2014, Birmingham, UK. DOI: [10.1109/CISIS.2014.50](https://doi.org/10.1109/CISIS.2014.50).
- + RCached-tree: An Index Structure for Efficiently Answering Popular Queries, Manash Pal, Arnab Bhattacharya, **Debjyoti Paul**, *ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2013)*, Oct. 27 - Nov. 1, 2013, San Francisco, CA, USA. DOI: [10.1145/2505515.2507817](https://doi.org/10.1145/2505515.2507817).
- + Lightweight Security Enhancement Protocol for Radio Frequency Identification (RFID), *IEEE SPSITM International Conference*, **Debjyoti Paul**, Sumana Basu, Punit Beriwal, IEEE, 2011, Kolkata, WB, INDIA

RECENT
PROJECTS
(FOR MORE...
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Compass
estorm.org

This project explores how Twitter can be used to analyze the popularity of Political Parties for the Presidential Election 2016. It is purely based on the data collected from Twitter. Read our Compass paper for details.

Event Aggregator

This project finds events from news articles, categorize them and gathers all articles talking about same event to a set. Each set of articles is referred as Event Entity. Information extraction process is applied to extract more information related to it. The code can process large scale data. The code will be made public later.

QuakeAnalysis
goo.gl/ovcWVT

This project is based on the seismic activity across world which widely varies in characteristic and patterns. We have found some distinguish patterns among the seismic activities and present them in an insightful manner. Check [demo](#) and wiki of [Exploration & Analysis](#)

MusicAtlas
goo.gl/UH54UP

This website is designed for music lovers to learn about music based on countries. This is a unique tool to explore and analyze the trend of music based on time frame, genre and artists. Almost all data from 19th century to till date.

QuestionAnswering
goo.gl/QGfW2y

A Natural Language Processing project focussed on closed domain Question Answering System. The project has Question Classifier, Sentence Similarity, Answer formulation and Coref resolution modules. The system has *Recall* of 63% and *F-score* of 43%.

Dartnews
goo.gl/wMOL4C

A street news browsing application, with an interactive GIS interface. News is organized by locality and topic. The user can explore based on topics (eg crime, politics etc) and geolocation. We used Context Dependent Geoparsing, where we attempt to find out which location is relevant to the News. Across all the topics, we saw at least 87% accuracy of topic prediction, and at least 80% accuracy of location prediction.

RCached Tree
doi.org-rcached-tree

The objective is to speed up performance of point, range and kNN search queries for popular queries in databases. We came up with a variant of the R-Tree indexing structure with some features like caching at each node for popular queries.

Intelliad
goo.gl/UAnEdz

A Social Media driven Intelligent Ad-Targeting framework using Geo-profiling. The idea is to tag all geo-location enabled tweets(available publicly) with semantic categories (say sports, politics etc.) and their sentiment (positive, neutral, negative) using text mining. To enable serving of Ads, they also need to be tagged using same categories based on their content.

Metonym
(metonym.in)

A synonym based vocabulary learner website built with d3.js, php and dropwizard framework at the backend.

**Real time
discrimination of
Speech and Music**

Real-time speaker segmentation is required in many applications, such as speaker tracking in real- time news-video segmentation and classification, or real-time speaker adapted speech. After feature extraction, using Low Short Term Energy Ratio (LSTER) the input digital audio stream is classified into speech and music. Here we have used DSK6713 Digital Signal Processing Kit.

HACKATHON TROPHIES	[2017] HackTheU	HackTheU MLH Hackathon Winner (around 40 teams)
	[2016] EMC2 Code	Mars Challenge Hackathon Winner (around 45 teams)
	[2015] Goldman Sachs	Air Quality Hackathon 1st Runners-up (around 30 teams)
	[2014] InMobi	Freedom Hack Worldwide Hackathon 1st Runners-up (around 160 teams)
	[2013] Yahoo	Yahoo HackU 2013 Hackathon Winner (around 40 teams)
ACHIEVEMENTS		
	[2012]	Secured All India Rank 228 in GATE 2012 among 0.16 million participants and 223 in 2011 among 0.15 million participants of Computer Science & Information Technology department.
	[2011]	Achieved All India Rank of 7 in Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) recruitment exam for Junior Research Fellow among 0.2 million candidates.
SUMMER SCHOOLS		
	[2012]	Microsoft Research, <i>Summer School on Distributed Computing</i> , Bangalore, India
	[2010]	Jadavpur University, <i>System Administration</i> , Kolkata, India
SCHOLARSHIP		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GBP 1,700 from IIT Kanpur for Paper presentation in CISIS 2014, Birmingham, UK • 96,000 INR per year from Ministry of Human Resource Development India during M.Tech. • 2 years waiver of tuition fees at school for academic excellence in school.
CERTIFICATIONS		
	[2011]	Linux system administration from School of Mobile Computing and Communication Jadavpur University.
	[2010]	Microsoft certification on Database Fundamentals.