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## Summary

I am a senior research fellow at ISI Kolkata, working under the supervision of Prof. Utpal Garain. My research centers on enhancing deep learning systems with the strengths of symbolic AI techniques for greater logical coherence and domain constraint adherence. While my primary focus is natural language processing, I actively collaborate across domains including vision, medicine, biology, astrophysics, and business applications.

My doctoral dissertation titled "**Domain Obedient Deep Learning**" is *under review*. My ongoing research focusing on alignment of large language models has recently been supported by an *OpenAI Computational Credit Grant*.

#### **Education**

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Kolkata

Kolkata, India

Integrated BS & MS in Physics (Minor in Mathematics)

2015-2020

- □ Awarded the Kishore Vigyan Pratoshan Yojna (KVPY) fellowship from the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India (GoI).
- ☐ Master's dissertation: "Towards Robust Deep Learning Systems".

Bhavan's G.K. Vidyamandir

Kolkata, India

**10+2** (Pre-University Secondary Education)

2002-2015

- □ Recipient of the prestigious National Talent Search Examination (NTSE) Scholarship from NCERT, GoI.
- □ CBSE (10th standard): 91.2%; AISSCE (12th standard): 92%.

#### Publications 3

☐ Language Models are Crossword Solvers

NAACL 2025 (main)

Accepted Jan. 2025

S. Saha, S. Chakraborty, S. Saha, U. Garain

CLeaR 2025

S. Saha, D. V. Rathore, S. Saha, D. Doermann, U. Garain.

Accepted Jan. 2025

☐ Analyzing Semantic Faithfulness of Language Models via Input Intervention on

Conversational Question Answering

Computational Linguistics (2024), 50(1): 119-155

A. Chaturvedi, S. Bhar, S. Saha, U. Garain, N. Asher

Accepted Jul. 2023

 $\hfill \square$  VALUED - Vision and Logical Understanding Evaluation Dataset

☐ On Measuring Intrinsic Causal Attributions in Deep Neural Networks

**DMLR** (2024), (13):1-18. Accepted Jul. 2024

S. Saha, U. Garain

☐ MedTric : A clinically applicable metric for evaluation of multi-label computational diagnostic systems

PLOS One (2023), 18(8): e0283895

S. Saha, U. Garain, A. Ukil, A. Pal, S. Khandelwal.

Accepted Mar. 2023

□ DOST – Domain Obedient Self-supervised Training for Multi Label Classification

with Noisy Labels

**AAAI 2024 Workshop (W3PHIAI)** (2024), 1164: 117-127

S. Saha, U. Garain, A. Ukil, A. Pal, S. Khandelwal.

Accepted Dec. 2023

Accepted Jun. 2024

□ LADDER: Revisiting the Cosmic Distance Ladder with Deep Learning Approaches

and Exploring its Applications

**APJS** (2024), 273(2): 27

R. Shah, S. Saha, P. Mukherjee, U. Garain, S. Pal

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☐ Deep Learning Based Recalibration of SDSS and DESI BAO Alleviates Hubble

and Clustering Tensions

Preprint. 10.48550/arXiv.2412.14750

R. Shah, P. Mukherjee, S. Saha, U. Garain, S. Pal

Under review at APJL.

#### **Patents**

☐ Method and System for Contradiction Avoided Learning for Multi-Class Multi-Label Classification

US Patent - US12038949B2

S. Saha, U. Garain, A. Ukil, A.Pal

Granted Jul. 2024

 $\hfill \square$  Method and System for Evaluating Clinical Efficiency of Multi-Label Multi-Class Computational Diagnostic Models Pending

U. Garain, S. Saha, A. Ukil, T. Deb, S. Richa A. Pal, S. Khandelwal

Filed Sep. 2022.

### Experience

## **Helmholtz Visiting Researcher**

Jul '24-Sep '24

Awarded the Helmholtz Information and Data Science Academy (HIDA) visiting researcher grant to work at the Institute of Aerospace Medicine, DLR (German Aerospace Center). Conducted research on improving AI-based retinal diagnostics for spaceflight applications.

Alleima Mar '24-May '24

Developed a custom end-to-end computer vision-based solution for assembly-line object detection/tracking, enabling autonomous logging of crucial data with existing infrastructure.

TCS Research Nov '21 - Jul '22

Conducted research as part of a team on ECG-based diagnosis of cardiovascular diseases. Independently identified key gaps in the literature and developed innovative, state-of-the-art solutions to address them, resulting in two patents, and publications.

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Talks	and	<b>Presentations</b>

Talks and Presentations
☐ Organized a 4-day workshop for DataLab, Capital One, Bangalore (2023).
□ Subject matter expert for Be10x-delivered video tutorials and live classes to 500+ participants (2024).
☐ TA for Natural Language Processing course at ISI Kolkata (2022, 2023, 2024).
☐ Instructor at the Winter School of Deep Learning (WSDL), ISI Kolkata (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024).
☐ Instructor for the Comprehensive Course on Business Analytics, ISI Kolkata (2022).
☐ Presented my work on Logically Coherent Deep Learning at Amazon Research Days (ARD '22).
☐ Presented my work on domain-obedient self-supervision at W3PHIAI, 38th AAAI Conference, Vancouver, Canada (AAAI '24).
Skills
□ Deep Learning: Expert in deep learning theory and practice, from low-level optimization to advanced architectures
and training paradigms.
□ Programming: Python (pytorch, nympy, etc.), C++, FORTRAN, bash, etc.
□ NLP: Significant LLM expertise (in-context learning, RAG, PEFT, Q-LoRA, instruction tuning, RLHF, DPO, etc.)
□ Vision: Vision transformers, CNNs, VLMs, object detection, segmentation, etc.
□ Deep RL: DQN, PPO, MCTS, etc.

## Interests

□ Robotics/DΓ	$\mathbf{Y}$ -Active interes	st in 3D printing	g, robotics,	electronics,	etc. I hav	ve conducted	introductory	workshops on
robotics and wa	as the Secretary	of the Robotic	s and Astro	onomy Club	at IISEI	R Kolkata.		

- □ Sports-Represented my college in national-level sports meets in basketball and volleyball. Played in my state's Senior Division Men's Basketball League.
- ☐ Music—Classically trained pianist.