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Incoming MS (thesis) in Computer Science student at University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign (Spring 2021)

Interests: Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing and Machine Learning

Education

B. Tech, Computer Science	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	CGPA - 9.16/10	2014-2018
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Work Experience

IBM Research AI <i>AI Resident, Multi-lingual NLP team</i>	Oct 2019 - Present <i>New York, United States</i>
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- Working on projects in the areas of question answering, AMR parsing and open-domain knowledge retrieval.

Microsoft <i>Software Engineer, Data Integration team</i>	Oct 2018 - Sep 2019 <i>Vancouver, Canada</i>
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- Part of the team responsible for developing data connectors that are used in [PowerApps](#), [LogicApps](#) and [Flow](#).

Current Research Projects

End-to-End QA on COVID-19: Domain Adaptation with Synthetic Training

Under review at AAAI 2021

- Proposed a novel **synthetic example generation** approach to improve the performance of state-of-the-art open-domain **end-to-end** question answering systems in a specialized domain, such as COVID-19.

Publications

Multi-Stage Pretraining for Low-Resource Domain Adaptation	EMNLP 2020
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- Proposed **synthetic pre-training** objectives by using structure in unlabeled text, that can transfer to downstream tasks with considerable gains in the **IT Domain**.

Answer Span Correction in Machine Reading Comprehension	Findings of EMNLP 2020
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- Proposed an approach for **correcting partial match answers** ($EM=0, 0 < F1 < 1$) into exact match ($EM=1, F1=1$) and obtained upto **1.3%** improvement in both monolingual and multilingual evaluation.

Pushing the Limits of AMR Parsing with Self-Learning PDF	Findings of EMNLP 2020
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- Proposed **self-learning approaches** via generation of synthetic text and synthetic AMR as well as refinement of actions from the oracle, achieving **state-of-the-art** performance on benchmark AMR 1.0 and AMR 2.0 datasets.

Multi-Level Memory for Task Oriented Dialogs PDF	NAACL 2019 (poster)
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- Designed a novel multi-level memory architecture that retains **natural hierarchy** of the knowledge base without breaking it down into **subject-relation-object** triples.

A Formal Language Approach for Generating Graphs PDF	SDM 2019 (oral, poster)
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- Proposed a graph generative model based on **probabilistic edge replacement** grammars and designed an algorithm to build graph grammars by capturing the statistically significant **sub-graph patterns**.

FigureNet : A Deep Learning model for Question-Answering on Scientific Plots PDF	IJCNN 2019 (oral)
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- Designed a modular network for **visual reasoning** on scientific plots, achieving state-of-the-art accuracy on **FigureQA** dataset (Maluuba-Microsoft), bettering **Relation Networks** (Google DeepMind) by **6.96%**.

Internships

IBM Research AI <i>Research Intern, Watson Conversations team</i>	Summer 2018 <i>New Delhi, India</i>
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- Worked on better neural memory architectures for improving the performance of **task-oriented dialog** systems.

Microsoft India Development Center <i>Research Engineering Intern, Cortana Personalization Team</i>	Summer 2017 <i>Hyderabad, India</i>
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- Developed a model for **forecasting user activity** using **behaviour patterns** based on user temporal data.