



INVESTMENT ASSIGNMENT

SUBMISSION

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Spark Funds Investment Analysis

Spark Funds, an asset management company, and wants to make investments in a few companies. The CEO of Spark Funds wants to understand the global trends in investments so that she can take the investment decisions effectively, It wants to invest between **5 to 15 million USD**.

Strategy:

Spark Funds wants to invest where most **other investors are investing**. This pattern is often o observed among early stage start-up investors.

Business objective:

The objective is to identify the best **sectors**, **countries**, **and a suitable investment type** for making investments. The overall strategy is to invest where others are investing, implying that the 'best' sectors and countries are the ones 'where most investors are investing'.

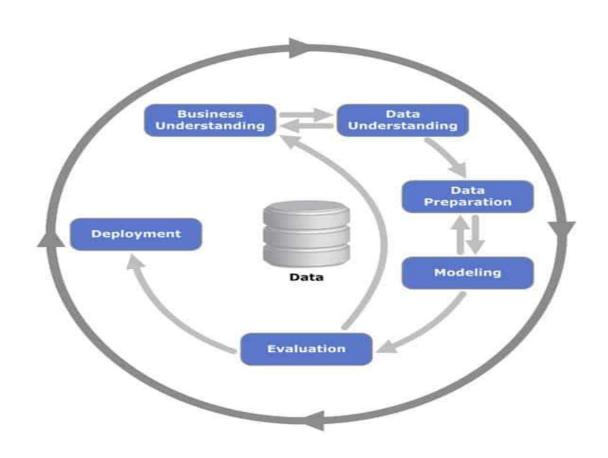
To identify

- 1. Best Investment Type
- 2. Top English speaking countries to invest
- 3. Top sectors to invest





Problem solving methodology: CRISP FRAME WORK







Investment type analysis: Comparing the typical investment amounts in the venture, seed, angel, private equity etc. so that Spark Funds can choose the type that is best suited for their strategy.

- 1. Read the companies and rounds datasets.
- 2. Checking the unique ID and common columns present in the both the tables.
- 3. Clean the data if we have any null values for the required column raised_amount_usd
- 4. Checking the mean of the four funding types mentioned above
- 5. See plot 1: its clear that **Venture** is the investment type that is between 5 to 15 million USD





Country analysis: Identifying the countries which have been the most heavily invested in the past. These will be Spark Funds' favourites as well.

- 1. As we know that investment type is Venture, take only the Venture entities in the master_frame
- 2. Create pivot table for raised_amount_USD and country_code to sum to get the sum values of each country wise and named the data set as top9
- 3. From top9 take the top9 countries
- 4. Analyse the top9 countries data and take only top 3 English speaking countries
- 5. Plot2 will show the top9 countries and the most English speaking countries are USA, IND, GBR





Sector Analysis: Understanding the distribution of investments across the eight main sectors

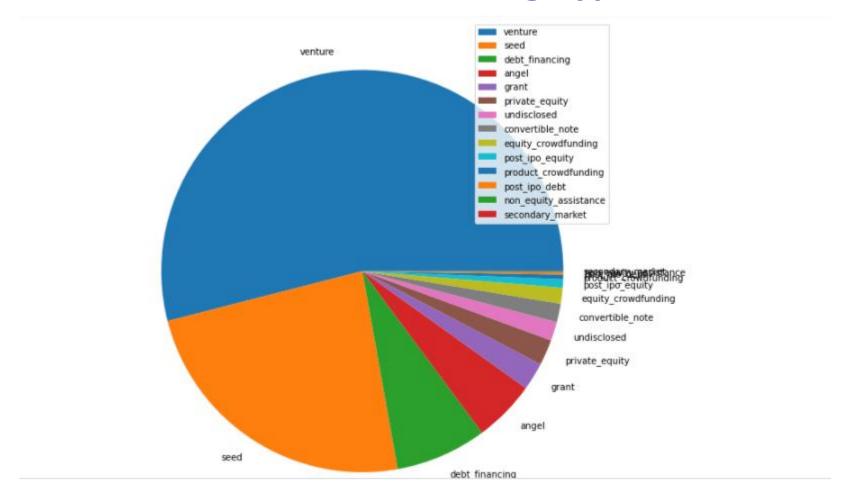
- 1. As we have identified the top English speaking countries are USA, GBR, IND. Lets make the master_frame restricted to these three countries and the raised_amount_USD between 5 million to 15 million.
- 2. Read the mapping file data and clean it to have correct data.
- 3. As the master_frame, category_lst contains several things the first sector before the vertical bar is considered as primary sector, extracted primary sector to a separate column
- 4. Mapping file data is pivoted, lets unpivot that to have 8 sectors and category lists and call it as main_sector
- 5. Merge the mapping and master Frame to masterframe on category list and primary sector.
- 6. Now we all the data in master frame and its main sector as well.
- 7. Separate country wise data frames respectively to D1, D2, D3 and getting the top 3 sectors which spark funds can invest in.
- 8. Plot3 shows the top 3 sectors in each country that spark fund can invest between 5 to 15 million USD in investment type of **Venture**





Most Invested Funding Type





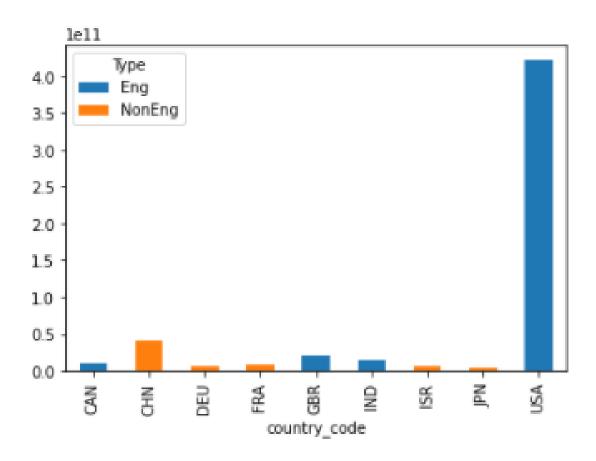
Venture is the most invested investment type among the all





Most English speaking countries invested in

Plot 2



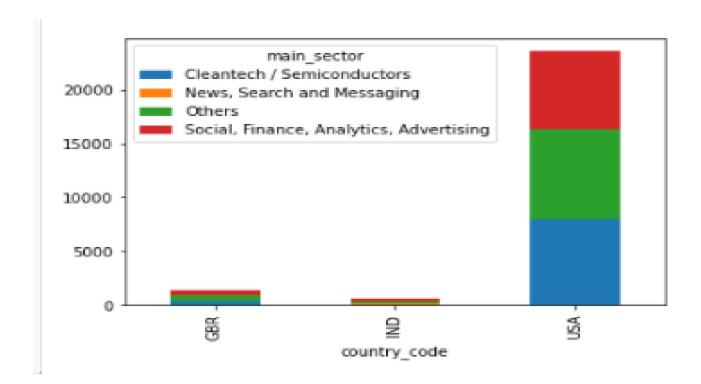
By the above figure, in the venture investment type USA, IND, GBR are the most English speaking countries to invest, remaining all countries in the top 9 is non English speaking countries





Top 3 countries most invested sectors

Plot 3



In the top countries USA, GBR, IND mentioned are the top most sectors that to invested





Conclusions of Spark Funds Investment Analysis

Investment Type: Venture

Top 3 English speaking countries are: USA, GBR, IND

Top sectors to Invest in **USA**:

- 1. Others
- 2. Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising
- 3. Cleantech / Semiconductors

Top sectors to Invest in **GBR**:

- 1. Others
- 2. Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising
- 3. Cleantech / Semiconductors

Top sectors to Invest in **IND**:

- 1. Others
- 2. Social, Finance, Analytics, Advertising
- 3. News, Search and Messaging