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## Work & Education

${\rm Jan~'15}-now$	PhD Candidate at MPI-SWS, working with Prof. Manuel Gomez Rodriguez
May '15 – $now$	Technical advisor of SpeaQWith.Me in Saarbrücken, Germany
Apr '12 – Dec '14	Software Developer at Better AG, web-client development and data visualisation
Aug '10 – Feb '11	Internship at CCIL-NEC, Japan on Information diffusion on Twitter
Sept~'09-Feb~'12	MS in Computer Science at EPFL, Switzerland; GPA: 5.7/6
May '08 – July '08	${\bf Internship\ at\ Microsoft\ Research,\ Redmond\ on\ \it RoboCopy\ replacement,\ RoboClone}$
Aug '05 – May '09	B.Tech. in Electrical Engg. from Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur; CPI: $9.5/10$

## Scholastic achievements

2017-18	Yahoo! Academic Research Program (ARP) Collaborator
2012	Awarded Prix ECLA Informatique for highest GPA in Computer Science MS at EPFL
2009-10	Awarded the Academic Excellence scholarship for Masters studies at EPFL
2009	Silver medal at the programming competition ACM-SWERC '09
2005-09	Recipient of the Aditya Birla Scholarship (Given to 10 students all over India)
2005-06	Recipient of the Academic Excellence Award at IITK
2005	Secured $108^{th}$ rank in Joint Entrance Examination for IITs (Percentile: $99.97\%$ )

#### Current Interests

Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, C/C++, HTML/CSS, Tensorflow, Julia, Rust, Haskell

## Selected Publications

- A. Zarezade, A. De, U. Upadhyay, H. R. Rabiee, M. Gomez-Rodriguez. Steering Social Activity: A Stochastic Optimal Control Point of View. Submitted to Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR).
- B. Tabibian, U. Upadhyay, A. De, A. Zarezade, B. Schölkopf, M. Gomez-Rodriguez. Optimizing Human learning. Workshop on Teaching Machines, Robots and Humans Workshop at NIPS 2017.
- U. Upadhyay, I. Valera, M. Gomez-Rodriguez. Uncovering the Dynamics of Crowdlearning and the Value of Knowledge. WSDM 2017.
- A. Zarezade, U. Upadhyay, H. Rabiee, M. Gomez-Rodriguez. RedQueen: An Online Algorithm for Smart Broadcasting in Social Networks. WSDM 2017.
- N. Du, H. Dai, R. Trivedi, U. Upadhyay, M. Gomez-Rodriguez, Le Song. Recurrent Temporal Point Process, KDD 2016.
- R. Khalili, N. Gast, M. Popovic, U. Upadhyay, Jean-Yves Le Boudec. *MPTCP is not Pareto-optimal: Performance issues and a possible solution*. **Best Paper Award**, CoNEXT 2012.
- G. Mermoud, M. Mastrangeli, U. Upadhyay and A. Martinoli. Real-Time Automated Modeling and Control of Self-Assembling Systems. ICRA 2012.

# Interests & Activities

- Recreational programming, visualization & data mining
- O Co-organizer/speaker at ML Summer School 2016/17
- O Member of Counselling Service, IIT Kanpur
- OSS Contributor O musically-ut
- O Won at StartUp day, Saarbrücken 2015
- Active on Stack Overflow