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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Natural Language Processing, Deep Learning, Interpretability, Structured Prediction.

## EDUCATION

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**UNC Chapel Hill**

*Ph.D. in Computer Science, Advisor: Prof. Mohit Bansal*

**North Carolina, USA**

*2019 - Present*

**Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi**

*M.Tech. in Computer Science, GPA: 9.01/10.0*

**Delhi, India**

*2015 - 2017*

**Jadavpur University**

*B.E. in Computer Science, GPA: 8.72/10.0*

**Kolkata, India**

*2010 - 2014*

## EXPERIENCE

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**UNC Chapel Hill**

*Graduate Research Assistant*

**North Carolina, USA**

*August 2019 - Present*

- Developing interpretable models that can generate **structured/graphical explanations** for downstream NLP tasks of Question Answering, Commonsense Reasoning, and Linguistic Formal Reasoning.

**IBM Research - India**

*Research Engineer*

**Bangalore, India**

*July 2017 - June 2019*

- Designed and implemented large scale **Machine Learning** and **NLP** solutions for **Intelligent Tutoring Systems (Watson Tutor)**, notably in the areas of **Automatic Short Answer Grading** and **Text Segmentation**.

**Adobe Systems India Pvt. Ltd.**

*Member of Technical Staff*

**Noida, India**

*June 2014 - July 2015*

- Worked as a full-stack software developer in the **Acrobat Reader Team** of Adobe India.

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Prateek Yadav, Lisa Bauer, and Mohit Bansal “*ExplaGraphs: An Explanation Graph Generation Task for Structured Commonsense Reasoning*”, **arXiv:2104.07644**.
2. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Prateek Yadav, and Mohit Bansal “*MULTIPROVER: Generating a Set of Proofs for Improved Interpretability in Rule Reasoning*”, **NAACL 2021** [Acceptance Rate: %].
3. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Sayan Ghosh, Shashank Srivastava, and Mohit Bansal “*PROVER: Proof Generation for Interpretable Reasoning over Rules*”, **EMNLP 2020** [Acceptance Rate: 24%].
4. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Yixin Nie, and Mohit Bansal “*ConjNLI: Natural Language Inference over Conjunctive Sentences*”, **EMNLP 2020** [Acceptance Rate: 24%].
5. Chul Sung, Tejas Dhamecha, **Swarnadeep Saha**, Tengfei Ma, Vinay Reddy, and Rishi Arora “*Pre-*

*Training BERT on Domain Resources for Short Answer Grading*, **EMNLP-IJCNLP 2019** [Acceptance Rate: 23%].

6. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Malolan Chetlur, Tejas I. Dhamecha, Shantanu Godbole and others “*Aligning Learning Objectives to Learning Resources: A Lexico-Semantic Spatial Approach*”, **IJCAI 2019** [Acceptance Rate: 17%].
7. Smit Marvaniya, **Swarnadeep Saha**, Tejas I. Dhamecha, Peter Foltz, Renuka Sindhgatta and Bikram Sengupta “*Creating Scoring Rubric from Representative Student Answers for Improved Short Answer Grading*”, **CIKM 2018** [Acceptance Rate: 17%].
8. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Tejas I. Dhamecha, Smit Marvaniya, Peter Foltz, Renuka Sindhgatta and Bikram Sengupta “*Joint Multi-Domain Learning for Automatic Short Answer Grading*”, **arXiv 1902.09183**.
9. **Swarnadeep Saha** and Mausam “*Open Information Extraction from Conjunctive Sentences*”, **COLING 2018** [Acceptance Rate: 37%]
10. Tejas I. Dhamecha, Smit Marvaniya, **Swarnadeep Saha**, Renuka Sindhgatta and Bikram Sengupta “*Balancing Human Efforts and Performance of Student Response Analyzer in Dialog-based Tutors*”, **AIED 2018** [Acceptance Rate: 25%]
11. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Tejas I. Dhamecha, Smit Marvaniya, Renuka Sindhgatta and Bikram Sengupta “*Sentence Level or Token Level Features for Automatic Short Answer Grading?: Use Both*”, **AIED 2018** [Acceptance Rate: 25%]
12. **Swarnadeep Saha**, Harinder Pal and Mausam “*Bootstrapping for Numerical Open IE*”, **ACL 2017** [Acceptance Rate: 18%]

## ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

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- Awarded the **Munroe and Rebecca Cobey Fellowship** at UNC Chapel Hill.
- Awarded the **Best M.Tech Thesis** of 2015-2017 batch, CSE department, IIT Delhi.
- Awarded the **Research Appreciation Award** by IBM Research for work on Intelligent Tutors.
- Secured an **All India Rank of 142** in GATE, 2014.

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

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- Programming Languages: C, C++, Java, Scala, Python, Perl, Assembly Languages.
- Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL.
- Frameworks and Tools: Keras, PyTorch, Hadoop, Git, Perforce, Maven, SBT.

## RELEVANT GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES

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- Machine Learning, Advanced Machine Learning, Graphical Models, Generative Models, Advanced NLP, Grounding in NLP, Structured Prediction, Machine Learning and Graphics.

## REFERENCES

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- **Dr. Mohit Bansal**, Associate Professor, CS Department, UNC Chapel Hill.
- **Dr. Mausam**, Professor, CSE Department, IIT Delhi.
- **Dr. Shashank Srivastava**, Assistant Professor, CS Department, UNC Chapel Hill.