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i Short Bio

A fourth-year Ph.D. student at SMCS in IACS, under the supervision of Dr. Debarshi Kumar Sanyal. I am currently working in the field of NLP, specifically on topic models that are used to extract topics from document corpora in an unsupervised manner.

🟛 Education

Oct 2020 Sep 2025*	Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science Ph.D. from the School of Mathematical & Computational Sciences (SMCS)	Kolkata, India
Aug 2018 Jul 2020	Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science M.Sc. in Mathematics & Computing from SMCS	Kolkata, India
2015 2018	Serampore College, University of Calcutta B.Sc.(Hons.) in Mathematics	Kolkata, India

Publications J=Journal, C=Conference, W=Workshop [1] Evaluating Negative Sampling Approaches for Neural Topic Models [%] Suman Adhya, Avishek Lahiri, Debarshi Kumar Sanyal, and Partha Pratim Das IEEE Transactions on Artificial Intelligence [IEEE-TAI] [C] GINopic: Topic Modeling with Graph Isomorphism Network [%] Suman Adhya and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Mexico City, Mexico [NAACL'24] Do Neural Topic Models Really Need Dropout? Analysis of the Effect of Dropout in Topic Modeling [%] [C] Suman Adhya, Avishek Lahiri, and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal 17th European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics, Dubrovnik, Croatia [EACL'23] [C] Improving Neural Topic Models with Wasserstein Knowledge Distillation [%] Suman Adhya and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal 45th European Conference on Information Retrieval, Dublin, Ireland [ECIR'23] Improving Contextualized Topic Models with Negative Sampling $[\]$ [C] Suman Adhya, Avishek Lahiri, Debarshi Kumar Sanyal, and Partha Pratim Das [ICON'22] 19th International Conference on Natural Language Processing, New Delhi, India [W] What Does the Indian Parliament Discuss? An Exploratory Analysis of the Question Hour in the Lok Sabha **ତ**୍ତ] Suman Adhya and Debarshi Kumar Sanyal 1st Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Political Sciences, LREC, Marseille, France [PoliticalNLP @ LREC'22]

📽 Skills

Research Interests	NLP - Topic Modeling, Machine Learning - Variational Inference, Information Theory -
	Rate-Distortion Theory
Technical Expertise	Python, PyTorch and PyG, Deep Graph Library, TensorFlow, Git

August 2024

- > NAACL 2024, Poster Presentation 🗋
- > PIC 2024, Poster Presentation
- > EACL 2023, Poster Presentation
- > ECIR 2023, Short Paper Presentation \square
- > ICON 2022, Full Paper Presentation
- > PoliticalNLP @ LREC 2022, Poster Presentation 🗋

✤ Travel Grants and Awards

Microsoft Research Travel Grant, 2024 [♥] : Awarded for presenting our paper at NAACL'24 held in Mexico City, Mexico.
ACM India-IARCS Travel Grant, 2024 [♥] : Awarded for presenting our paper at NAACL'24 held in Mexico City, Mexico.
Microsoft Research Travel Grant, 2023 [♥] : Awarded for presenting our paper at EACL'23 held in Dubrovnik, Croatia.
The INSPIRE-SHE Award, DST, 2015-2018 [♥] : Awarded for securing a top 1% rank in Class 12th examinations.

Teaching Assistant

Introduction to Machine Learning [PHD 226/ COM 4203], IACSResponsibilities included setting and evaluating assignments.

Laboratory - Numerical methods (PHS 4211), IACS

> Responsibilities included setting and evaluating lab assignments.

😤 Academic Responsibility

Volunteer coordinator	EACL'23 🖸
Review committee member	EMNLP'24 Industry Track 🗹, ARR - June'24 🗹, ARR - April'24 🗹, ARR - February'24 🗹, ACL'23
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Program committee member	PoliticalNLP'24 🗹, EMNLP'23 Industry Track 🗹, PoliticalNLP'22 🗹

Social Responsibility

Student representative at the anti-ragging cell in IACS	2023 - Current
Research and technical assistant at Research Scholars' Association in IACS	2023-2024
System manager at Research Scholars' Association in IACS	2022-2023

January - June, 2024

January - June, 2021