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Education

- Kyoto University 04/2015 to 03/2018 Ph.D. (Multilingual Low Resource Machine Translation)
- IIT Bombay, India 07/2011 to 08/2014 Masters in Technology (Indian Languages Machine Translation)
- St Francis Institute of Tech., India 08/2006 to 05/2010 Bachelors in Engineering (Computer Science)

Employment and Affiliation

- National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT) 05/2018 to Present Researcher
- Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT Madras), India 01/2024 to Present Adjunct Faculty
- St Francis Institute of Technology, India 06/2010 to 05/2011 Lecturer

Research Projects (NICT, Japan 2018-Present)

Efficient Multilingual Generation at Scale (May 2018-Present): I have focused on developing practical deep learning solutions that scale to many languages, especially in low-resource languages. A majority of my focus is on Indic and South-East Asian languages. I have leveraged unsupervised pre-training at scale to create and adapt LLMs, cross-lingual transfer learning and knowledge distillation in combination with heavy parameter sharing for compression.

Structured Document Translation (September 2021-Present): As a part of a collaborative research project with SAP, I have focused on structured document translation for Asian languages. Recent focus has been on retrieval augmented generation by leveraging in-context learning using LLMs, which is effective at handling long context as well as the rich structure present in web-documents.

Generation For Creoles (April 2022-Present): Creoles, being a group of neglected languages, do not have a well organized set of resources. My focus, as a part of a multi-organization collaboration, is on collecting data and implementing transfer learning methods specific to highly related languages to enable translation and generation for more than 26 Creoles.

Ph.D. Thesis (March 2018)

Exploiting Multilingualism and Transfer Learning for Low Resource Machine Translation: This thesis focuses on harnessing the power of multilingual parallel corpora for low resource machine translation. The focus was on domain adaptation, multilingual transfer learning and multisource translation. I showed the importance of linguistically similar languages when performing transfer learning.

Invited Talks and Teaching

1. Invited talk titled "Advances in Indic Natural Language Generation" in the OdiaGenAI workshop

- 2. Tutorial titled "Developing State-Of-The-Art Massively Multilingual Machine Translation Systems for Related Languages" at AACL-IJCNLP 2023 with Jay Gala and Pranjal Chitale (Also presented parts of this as a guest lecture titled "Multilingual Neural Machine Translation" in the NLP course taught in MBZUAI by Prof. Thamar Solrio and Prof. Alham Fikri)
- 3. Virtual talk titled "Efficiency in Deep Learning: An Application to Neural Machine Translation" at Google (2020).
- 4. Invited lecture titled "Generative Adversarial Networks" at Kyoto University (2018).
- 5. Tutorial titled "Multilingual Neural Machine Translation" at COLING 2020 with Anoop Kunchukuttan and Chenhui Chu. (Also presented parts of tutorial in invited talks at Kyoto University and IIT Bombay)
- 6. Tutorial titled "Neural Machine Translation: Basics, Practical Aspects and Recent Trends" at IJCNLP 2017 with Fabien Cromieres and Toshiaki Nakazawa

Patents (Japanese)

- 1. Multi-layer softmaxing of layers for flexible decoding (Accepted in 2023)
- 2. Multi-stage fine-tuning for low-resource machine translation (Filed in 2019)
- 3. BERTSeg: BERT Based Unsupervised Subword Segmentation for Neural Machine Translation (Filed in 2022)

Conference/Workshop Publications and Preprints

- 1. Jay Gala, Thanmay Jayakumar, Jaavid Aktar Husain, Mohammed Safi Ur Rahman Khan, Diptesh Kanojia, Ratish Puduppully, Mitesh M Khapra, Raj Dabre, Rudra Murthy, Anoop Kunchukuttan. Airavata: Introducing Hindi Instruction-tuned LLM. In *CoRR*, volume abs/2401.15006, 2024. URL: https://arxiv. org/abs/2401.15006.
- Jaavid Aktar Husain, Raj Dabre, Aswanth Kumar, Ratish Puduppully, Anoop Kunchukuttan. RomanSetu: Efficiently unlocking multilingual capabilities of Large Language Models models via Romanization. In *CoRR*, volume abs/2401.14280, 2024. URL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.14280.
- Pranjal A Chitale, Jay Gala, Varun Gumma, Mitesh M Khapra, Raj Dabre. An Empirical Analysis of Incontext Learning Abilities of LLMs for MT. In *CoRR*, volume abs/2401.12097, 2024. URL: https:// arxiv.org/abs/2401.12097.
- 4. Settaluri Lakshmi Sravanthi, Meet Doshi, Tankala Pavan Kalyan, Rudra Murthy, Pushpak Bhattacharyya, Raj Dabre. PUB: A Pragmatics Understanding Benchmark for Assessing LLMs' Pragmatics Capabilities. In *CoRR*, volume abs/2401.07078, 2024. URL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.07078.
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Software and Resources created

- 1. Airavata: A Hindi Instruction-tuned LLM See: https://ai4bharat.github.io/airavata/
- 2. IndicTrans2 and BPCC: The current state-of-the-art machine translation model covering 22 Indic languages along with the world's largest dataset for said languages. See: https://github.com/AI4Bharat/ IndicTrans2
- 3. YANMTT: Yet another neural machine translation toolkit is built on top of HuggingFace transformers. This can be used for distributed/multi-node massively multilingual pre-training and efficient transfer learning via sequence-to-sequence models. It is currently used for IndicBART and IndicNLG projects. See: https://github.com/prajdabre/yanmtt (Published at ACL 2023 as a demo paper)
- 4. Indic MT Evaluation Suite: A meta-evaluation dataset to evaluate machine translation evaluation metrics for 5 Indian languages. See: https://github.com/AI4Bharat/IndicMT-Eval
- 5. IndicBART: A pre-trained encoder-decoder model for 11 Indic languages and English. This has been widely used for Indic languages natural language generation. See: https://huggingface.co/ai4bharat/ IndicBART
- 6. IndicNLG Benchmark and Models: A benchmark containing training and evaluation datasets for natural language generation of 11 languages and 5 generation tasks. Models for the same have been released. See: https://ai4bharat.iitm.ac.in/indicnlg-suite/
- 7. SciCap+: An enhanced version of the scientific figure captioning dataset, SciCap, with retrieved paragraphs to enhance caption quality. See: https://github.com/zhishenyang/scientific_figure_ captioning_dataset
- 8. Coursera Parallel Corpus: A parallel corpus for Chinese-Japanese-English machine translation mined from Coursera lectures. See: https://github.com/shyyhs/CourseraParallelCorpusMining
- 9. JaRuNC: A news commentary dataset for Japanese-Russian machine translation representing an exremely low-resource dataset. See: https://github.com/aizhanti/JaRuNC

Community Presence

- AI4Bharat: As a visiting researcher since 2021, adjunct faculty at IIT Madras since January 2024, I am one of the leads behind the Indic natural language understanding and generation efforts.
- **CFILT**: As a visiting researcher since 2023, I am guiding students on linguistics centric machine translation, language understanding and pragmatics. My application for adjunct faculty is under process.
- Workshop Organization: I have been a co-organizer for the Workshop on Asian Translation since 2018, focusing on the Indic MT tasks. Since 2023, I have been co-organizing the M3Oriental workshop, which focuses on speech technologies for Asian languages.

• Reviewing and Chairing: Reviewer/committee member since 2012 for venues such as ACL, NAACL, IJ-CAI, EMNLP, CoNLL, WMT, WAT, MT Summit, IJCNLP, ALR, TALLIP, TASLP and CSL. Area chair for ACL, NAACL, EMNLP and EACL since 2022.

Academic and Professional Achievements

- Recipient of MEXT Scholarship via University Recommendation (2014-2018)
- Achieved AIR 110 among 136027 candidates in GATE 2011
- Secured Department 1st rank in St. Francis Institute of Technology in the B.E. Programme
- Received TATA scholarship 2 years in a row for securing distinction in B.E. examinations

Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: C, C++, Java
- Scripting Languages: Python (working with TensorFlow and PyTorch), MATLAB
- Web Technologies: HTML, AJAX, JQuery, PHP (basic), JSP (basic)
- Operating Systems: Linux, Windows
- Database: MySQL, Oracle
- Tools: VS Code, LATEX, Sublime

Collaborative Activities

- Kyoto University/ Tokyo Metropolitan University/ Tokyo Institute of Technology/ IIT Madras/ IIT Bombay/ Charles University/ Cape Town University: Guiding students.
- SAP: Managing the research and development collaboration between NICT and SAP.

Internships

Improving GNMT for Low Resource Languages: Google's deep neural machine translation system (GNMT) relies on a large amount of data for optimal translation quality. The objective was to apply a combination of various existing ideas to leverage resource rich languages leading to significant improvements in translation quality for the resource poor languages.

(Host: Tetsuji Nakagawa, Organization: Google Inc., Japan, Aug'16 - Oct'16)

Other Voluntary Responsibilities

• Organising Member of COLING 2012 (December 2012) and WAT 2018-2022, Department Coordinator of TechConnect 2013 (January 2013), System Administrator of CFILT, IIT Bombay (July 2011-July'2014)

Extra Curricular Activities

- Working with international relations groups as Japanese-English interpreter
- Hobbies: Astronomy, Reading Fiction and Literature, Watching Anime and Manga, Cooking
- Languages: English (native), Hindi/Urdu (native), Marathi (native), Japanese (fluent), Chinese (beginner)