Shubhashis Roy Dipta

No visa sponsorship required; Green Card holder.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science, UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY

May 2023 - May 2027 (Expected)

Specialization: Decomposition-based Multimodal Reasoning, Tool-Calling LLM, Math Reasoning

• Phi Kappa Phi Award – Top 10% of STEM. GPA 4.00/4.00 – Top 1% of class.

EXPERIENCE

Applied Research Scientist Intern, AMAZON

June 2025 - Aug 2025

Tech Stack: Tool-calling LLM, Agentic LLM, PyTorch, Multi-Stage SFT, PPO, GRPO, RL, Weight & Biases

- Injecting Tool-use Knowledge: Developed multi-stage continual training pipeline to inject tool-use policies, outperforming τ -Bench baselines by **20 points** without in-context policies while decreasing the **context length by 40%**.
- **GRPO RL:** Introduced a novel **PolicyRecall** reward with Jaccard score and hallucination penalty for precise policy adherence in LLMs.
- Tau-Overrule: Developed a synthetic test benchmark, τ -Overrule, to evaluate the ability of LLMs to override already learned rules.

Machine Learning Research Intern, SCALE.AI

June 2024 - Aug 2024

Tech Stack: PyTorch, DeepSpeed, Hugging Face, Kubernetes, Dagster, RLHF, SQL, Weight & Biases

- RLHF text2sql: Used Online KTO (a novel method) and data augmentation to improve BIRD benchmark accuracy by 8 points over the same size SFT model (featured in Scale.Al Blog).
- Auto Eval: Implemented AutoCOT and Self-Critique to improve the current Auto Eval system by 6 points (F1 score: 83 → 89).
- Many-Shot text2sql: Implemented Many-Shot text2sql system, improving the total accuracy by 8% and per use case accuracy by 12%.

Machine Learning Engineer, BACKPACKBANG.COM

Oct 2018 - Mar 2019

Tech Stack: PyTorch, Keras, Hugging Face, Large Language Model, NLTK, Python, MySQL, Elasticsearch, AWS EC2, Node.js, React

- Boosted the sales by approximately 23% by improving existing product recommendation system using *Product2Vec* embedding.
- Reduced server cost by approximately 10% by implementing an AWS Lambda-based ML pipeline for online learning.

Founder & Chief Technology Officer, UNISHOPR.COM

Jan 2019 - Jan 2021

Led a cross-functional team of 10, achieving 1,000+ active e-commerce users and \$100,000+/month in orders.

PUBLICATIONS (FIRST AUTHORED)

For a comprehensive list, visit my Google Scholar Profile

- 1. "GANITLLM: Difficulty-Aware Bengali Mathematical Reasoning through Curriculum-GRPO", under review at AAAI 2026
- 2. "Advancing Reference-free Evaluation of Video Captions with Factual Analysis", under review at WACV 2026 (arXiv)
- 3. "Q2E: Query-to-Event Decomposition for Zero-Shot Multilingual Text-to-Video Retrieval", AACL 2025
- 4. "If We May De-Presuppose: Robustly Verifying Claims through Presupposition-Free Question Decomposition", *SEM, EMNLP 2025
- 5. "Semantically-informed Hierarchical Event Modeling", *SEM, ACL 2023
- 6. "Can Contrastive Learning Learn Embeddings to Detect Machine-Generated Text?", SemEval@NAACL 2024
- 7. "Semantic Textual Relatedness with and without machine translation", SemEval@NAACL 2024

COLLABORATIONS

- 1. "Learning How to Use Tools, Not Just When: Pattern-Aware Tool-Integrated Reasoning", MathAl @NeurIPS 2025; under review at EACL 2025 (arXiv)
- 2. "FedMentor: Domain-Aware Differential Privacy for Heterogeneous Federated LLMs in Mental Health", **GenAl4Health @NeurIPS** 2025; under review at EACL 2025 (arXiv)
- 3. "BanglaLlama: LLaMA for Bangla Language", under review at BLP@AACL 2025 (arXiv)
- 4. "BanglaTalk: Towards Real-Time Speech Assistance for Bengali Regional Dialects", under review at BLP@AACL 2025 (arXiv)
- 5. "Read Between the Lines: A Benchmark for Uncovering Political Bias in Bangla News Articles", under review at BLP@AACL 2025 (arXiv)
- 6. "A Few-Shot Classification Framework Using Majority Voting and Keyword Similarity for Bengali Hate Speech Detection", under review at **BLP@AACL 2025** (arXiv)

RELEVANT PROJECTS

For a comprehensive list, visit my Portfolio

Bird Chirping Identification

Tech Stack: PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, Python, Matplotlib, Seaborn, EfficientNet

• Secured Bronze Medal in Kaggle (Top 6%) by using EfficientNet on the spectrogram with a weighted ensemble of framed timespan.

Amazon [Crawler] [Search Engine]

Tech Stack: Elasticsearch, Node.js, Express.js, Python, Multithreading, GCP

• Designed a distributed data pipeline using GCE to extract and index over **10M products**, enhancing resource-efficient data retrieval.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Reviewer: Reviewed 32+ papers in top ML conferences (NeurIPS, CVPR, ACL, NAACL, CoNLL) & Bioinformatics journals.
- Mentoring: Mentored Multiple undergraduate and graduate students and published 5+ papers.
- Competitions: 2 International Robotics Competitions (URC, USA; ERC, Poland), 2 ACM-ICPC, 25+ National Programming Competitions.