

# Machine Learning Research in Odia: Where We Stand

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### **Current Scenario**

Below are some of the major challenges in Odia machine learning research:

- Low content digitization.
- Limited availability of NLP resources for research.
- Limited/unavailability of better Machine Translation System.
- Low/unavailability of services in Odia language.



# **Ongoing Research and Contribution**

- OdiaWiki is getting richer day by day
  - Thanks to volunteers for their dedication
- Odia NLP Resource Catalog
  - https://github.com/shantipriyap/Odia-NLP-Resource-Catalog
- Odia Corpus for Machine Translation
  - https://ufal.mff.cuni.cz/odiencorp
  - Odia←>English already added in Workshop on Asian Translation 2020 challenge
- Machine Translation system (open-source)
  - Will be available soon...
- OCR system
- App development



# Going Forward (Possible Research Direction)

# Digitized ancient contents/ applying NLP techniques.



Source: https://www.quora.com/How-did-Odia-get-its-script

## Build NLP resource/tools for the Tribal languages

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Source:https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Ol\_chiki\_script\_(writing\_of\_santa li\_language\_)\_2014-05-30\_15-21.jpg

### Build NLP resource/tools/app for Odia dialect

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# Shared task/Promotion in event /international conference

#### **WAT 2020**

#### The 7th Workshop on Asian Translation

- Indic tasks:
  - UFAL (EnOdia) corpus: Odia <--> English (NEW!)
  - Bengali/Hindi/Malayalam/Tamil/Telugu/Marathi/Gujarati <--> English

## Build NLP resource for Odia Fakenews

Angul youth arrested for fake coronavirus news on social media

Fake news hits Odisha VIPs

https://ommcomnews.com/odisha-news/angul-youth-arrested-for-s

https://www.telegraphindia.com/india/fake-news-hits-odisha-vips/cid/1789442

## Product localization/service accessible in Odia language

Microsoft Translator Blog

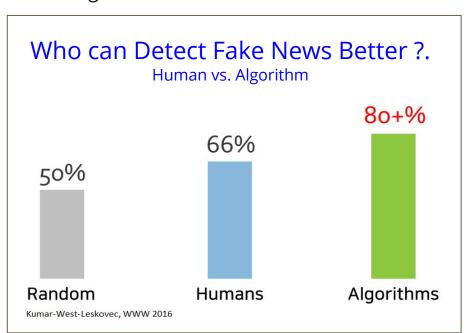
Odia Language Text Translation Is Now Available in Microsoft Translator

Source:https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/translator/blog/2020/08/13/odia-language-text-translation-is-now-available-in-microsoft-translator/



# Ethics, Bias and Rights in Al/Machine Learning

- Developing Al leads to new questions, including moral and ethical ones.
- How we can set boundaries and set regulations.



#### Can Al generate Original Expressions?.

A novel written by Japanese Al program passed the first round of screening for a national literary prize

A novel called < The Day A Computer Writes A Novel> was created by the Al program developed by researchers at the Future University Hakodate, Japan.



#### **GPT-3 CREATIVE FICTION**

Creative writing by OpenAI's GPT-3 model, demonstrating poetry, dialogue, puns, literary parodies, and storytelling. Plus advice on effective GPT-3 prompt programming & avoiding common errors.

https://www.gwern.net/GPT-3



# **Take-Away Message**

- To avoid bias in machine learning:
  - Select appropriate learning model.
  - Verification of data being used to train the model.
  - Monitor performance (tool, real data)