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Education University of Southern California

Los Angeles, CA, USA Aug 2025 – Present

Ph.D. in Computer Science

• USC Graduate Fellowship for 2025-2026

• Co-advised by Prof. Craig Knoblock and Prof. Jay Pujara

Khulna University of Engineering & Technology

Khulna, Bangladesh Nov 2018 – Mar 2024

B.Sc. Eng. in Industrial & Production Engineering CGPA: 3.83/4.00 (Top 5% of class)

• Dean's award: 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021

- Thesis title: Supply Chain Backorder Prediction Using Interpretable Hybrid Quantum-Classical Neural Network [Thesis Presentation] [Supervisor: Dr. Md. Saiful Islam]
- Developed the first-ever LaTeX template for B.Sc. Undergrad Thesis of KUET [Template]
- Google Knowledge Panel of Md Abrar Jahin

Research Interests

† Efficient Deep Learning (DL)

- Geometric & Spiking Neural Networks, Kolmogorov-Arnold Networks (KAN), Physics-informed Neural Networks (PINN)
- † Quantum Computing
 - Quantum Machine Learning (QML)
- † Trustworthy AI
 - Explainable AI (XAI)
 - Uncertainty Quantification
 - ♦ Conformal Prediction
- † Self-Supervised Learning (SSL)
 - Contrastive Learning
- † Reinforcement Learning (RL)
 - Inverse RL, Imitation Learning
- † Natural Language Processing (NLP)
 - Sentiment Analysis

Research Experiences

❖ Lead Researcher

Mar 2023 – Present

Advanced Machine Intelligence Research Lab (AMIRL), American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB)
Roles: Research Assistant (Mar 2023 - Dec 2023), Researcher (Dec 2023 - Feb 2024), Lead Researcher (May 2024 - Present)
Research Affiliations:

- ◆ Department of Natural Language Processing and Computational Linguistics Supervisor: Prof. M. F. Mridha (Professor, Dept. of CS, AIUB)
- ◆ Collaborators: Prof. R. Simon Sherratt (IEEE Fellow), Prof. Nilanjan Dey, Prof. Jungpil Shin, Prof. Yuichi Okuyama, Prof. Zeyar Aung, Prof. Yutaka Watanobe, Prof. Md. Rashedul Islam
- Published **6 WoS Q1** journal articles and **1 CORE ranked** conference article, and 14 are under review in Q1 journals (concentration: DL, QML, GNN, XAI, conformal prediction, human-in-the-loop, NLP, and operations research).

❖ Visiting Researcher (VR)

Mar 2024 - Mar 2025

Physics and Biology Unit, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University (OIST), Japan Supervisor: Prof. Jonathan Miller [BS (Yale); PhD Biology (Cambridge); PhD Physics (Caltech)] Research project: Evolution of Strongly Conserved Sequence [Code Repository]

■ [FY2023 Annual Report] [OIST Affiliation]

Visiting Research Student (VRS)

Feb 2023 – Feb 2024

Physics and Biology Unit, OIST, Japan

Supervisor: Prof. Jonathan Miller [BS (Yale); PhD Biology (Cambridge); PhD Physics (Caltech)]

Research project: Evolution of Strongly Conserved Sequence [Certificate]

Collaborators: Dr. Lucia Žifčáková, Dr. Priscila Do Nascimento Biller, Dr. Zdenek Lajbner, and Dr. Reuven Pnini

- Critically analyzed and visually represented all potential combinations of inter-gap segments (IGS), ancestral repeats (ARs), and contiguous mismatched ARs in human/mouse and human/gorilla genome alignments, focusing on both DNAs and repetitive sequences.
- Successfully replicated the findings of the neutral indel model proposed by Lunter, Pointing, and Hein (2006).

❖ Research Lead May 2022 – Mar 2023

Research Camp 02, Scholarship School BD, Bangladesh

Supervisor: Dr. Mohammad Arafat Hussain (Post-doctoral Research Fellow at Image, Informatics & Intelligence Research Lab, Harvard Medical School; PhD in Biomedical Eng., UBC Canada; MASc in Biomedical Eng., UBC)

- Led the research team of 17 fellow researchers as a co-first author on a project titled "Ultrasound-Based AI for COVID-19 Detection: A Comprehensive Review of Public and Private Lung Ultrasound Datasets and Studies".
- Contributed to writing the original manuscript, software implementation, and data curation and served as a corresponding author for the entire communication with the journal.

* Research Intern (RI)

Oct 2021 - Mar 2022

Physics and Biology Unit, OIST, Japan

Supervisor: Prof. Jonathan Miller [BS (Yale); PhD Biology (Cambridge); PhD Physics (Caltech)]

- Awarded a full-funded scholarship with a daily allowance of JPY 2400 per working day (taxable) [Offer Letter] [RI Agreement] [Internship Certificate] (acceptance rate: 14%)
- Tracked erroneous out-of-bound PCS coordinates generated by Nash and Lenhard (2018), utilizing R and Bedtool, and resolved complexity issues using Python 3.10.
- Demonstrated shell scripting and parallel computing proficiency on the HPC Deigo cluster.
- Conducted research on perfectly conserved sequence (PCS) length distributions of UCSC 44 pairwise genome sequences.
- Analyzed quantile kurtosis of PCS lengths proposed by Nash and Lenhard (2018) and identified a 'knee' in the PCS distributions of the heavy-tailed region.
- Optimized Nash and Lenhard's 3 R scripts for PCS generation, quantile kurtosis analysis, and genomic regulatory blocks (GRBs), reducing time and memory complexity. Successfully reproduced PCS coordinates following UCSC format and fixed genome coordinate-related errors in R's Bioconductor package.

♦ Research Intern May 2021

UiT - The Arctic University of Norway

Supervisors: Prof. Aleksander Pedersen, Prof. Rune Dalmo, Ghada Bouzidi

Internship Mentor: Prof. Per Arne Sundsbø

- Conducted comprehensive data and statistical analysis on the Narvik road dataset as part of the DIT4BEARs Smart Road project. [Internship Report] [Project Source Code] [Certificate]
- Designed, implemented, and evaluated ML models that successfully identified six road states, addressing the challenges of winter weather conditions in the Barren Euro-Arctic region.
- Proposed a novel safety metric and utilized Ridge, Lasso, Elastic Net, Linear Regression, and XGBRegressor to forecast its values.

Publications

I have 109 citations according to Google Scholar as of May 1, 2025 (h-index = 6, i10-index = 4)

Journal Articles

[J-1] **Jahin, M. A.**, Shovon, M. S. H., Islam, M. S., Shin, J., Mridha, M. F., & Okuyama, Y. (2023). QAmplifyNet: Pushing the boundaries of supply chain backorder prediction using interpretable hybrid quantum-classical neural network. **Scientific Reports**, 13(1), 18246. [Code]

[J-2] **Jahin, M. A.**, & Talapatra, S. (2024). A Natural Language Processing-Based Classification and Mode-Based Ranking of Musculoskeletal Disorder Risk Factors. *Decision Analytics Journal*, 11, 100464. [Code]

[J-3] **Jahin, M. A.**, Shovon, M. S. H., Shin, J., Ridoy, I. A., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Big Data - Supply Chain Management Framework for Forecasting: Data Preprocessing and Machine Learning Techniques. *Archives of Computational Methods in Engineering*, 31(6), 3619–3645.

[J-4] Ahmad, K.*, Islam, M. S., **Jahin, M. A.***, & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Analysis of Internet of things implementation barriers in the cold supply chain: An integrated ISM-MICMAC and DEMATEL approach. *PLoS ONE*, 19(7), e0304118.

[J-5] Saha, A. K.*, **Jahin, M. A.***, Rafiquzzaman, M., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Ergonomic Design of Computer Laboratory Furniture: Mismatch Analysis Utilizing Anthropometric Data of University Students. *Heliyon*, 10(14).

^{*} Denotes co-first authorship.

- [J-6] Shahriar, H.*, Islam, M. S., **Jahin, M. A.***, Ridoy, I. A., Prottoy, R. R., Abid, A., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Exploring Internet of Things Adoption Challenges in Manufacturing Firms: A Delphi Fuzzy Analytical Hierarchy Process Approach. *PLoS ONE*. *19*(11), e0311643.
- [J-7] **Jahin, M. A.**, Shovon, M. S. H., Mridha, M. F., Islam, M. R., & Watanobe, Y. (2024). A hybrid transformer and attention based recurrent neural network for robust and interpretable sentiment analysis of tweets. *Scientific Reports*, 14(1), 24882. [Code]
- [J-8] **Jahin, M. A.**, Masud, M. A., Suva, M. W., Mridha, M. F., & Dey, N. (2025). Lorentz-Equivariant Quantum Graph Neural Network for High-Energy Physics. *IEEE Transactions on Artificial Intelligence*, 1–11. [Code]
- [J-9] Morshed, A., Shihab, A. A., **Jahin, M. A.***, Nahian, M. J. A., Sarker, M. M. H., Wadud, M. S. I.*, Uddin, M. I., Siraji, M. I., Anjum, N., Shristy, S. R., Rahman, T., Khatun, M., Dewan, M. R., Hossain, M., Sultana, R., Chakma, R., Emon, S. B., Islam, T., & Hussain, M. A.* (2025). Ultrasound-Based AI for COVID-19 Detection: A Comprehensive Review of Public and Private Lung Ultrasound Datasets and Studies. *Multimedia Tools and Applications*.
- [J-10] **Jahin, M. A.***, Shahriar, A.*, & Amin, M. A. (2024). MCDFN: Supply Chain Demand Forecasting via an Explainable Multi-Channel Data Fusion Network Model. *Evolutionary Intelligence*.

Under-Review Journal Articles

- [U-1] **Jahin, M. A.**, Naife, S. A., Saha, A. K., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). AI in Supply Chain Risk Assessment: A Systematic Literature Review and Bibliometric Analysis. Under review at *Supply Chain Analytics*.
- [U-2] Jahin, M. A., Naife, S. A., Lima, F. T. J., Mridha, M. F., & Shin, J. (2024). Analyzing Male Domestic Violence through Exploratory Data Analysis and Explainable Machine Learning Insights. Under review at *Scientific Reports*. (Code) [U-3] Rahman, M. M.*, Jahin, M. A.*, Islam, M. S., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Optimizing Container Loading and Unloading through Dual-Cycling and Dockyard Rehandle Reduction Using a Hybrid Genetic Algorithm. Under review at *European Journal of Operational Research*. (Code)
- [U-4] Jahin, M. A., Mridha, M. F., Aung, Z., Dey, N., & Sherratt, R. S. (2024). TriQXNet: Forecasting Dst Index from Solar Wind Data Using an Interpretable Parallel Classical—Quantum Framework with Uncertainty Quantification. Under review at *npj Artificial Intelligence*. [Code]
- [U-5] Jahin, M. A., Masud, M. A., Mridha, M. F., Aung, Z., & Dey, N. (2024). KACQ-DCNN: Uncertainty-Aware Interpretable Kolmogorov-Arnold Classical-Quantum Dual-Channel Neural Network for Heart Disease Detection. Under review at *Computers in Biology and Medicine*.
- [U-6] Uddin, M. K., Islam, M. S., **Jahin, M. A.**, Seam, M. S. I., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Solving Generalized Grouping Problems in Cellular Manufacturing Systems Using a Network Flow Model. Under review at **OPSEARCH**.
- [U-7] Uddin, M. K., Islam, M. S., **Jahin, M. A.**, Irfan, M. T. H., Seam, M. S. I., & Mridha, M. F. (2024). Designing Cellular Manufacturing System in Presence of Alternative Process Plans. Under review at **OPSEARCH**.
- [U-8] Soudeep, S.*, Mridha, M. F., **Jahin, M. A.***, & Dey, N. (2024). DGNN-YOLO: Interpretable Dynamic Graph Neural Networks with YOLO11 for Small Object Detection and Tracking in Traffic Surveillance. Under review at *Pattern Recognition*.
- [U-9] Islam, M. A., Mridha, M. F., **Jahin, M. A.**, & Dey, N. (2024). A Unified Framework for Evaluating the Effectiveness and Enhancing the Transparency of Explainable AI Methods in Real-world Applications. Under review at *Information Fusion*.
- [U-10] **Jahin, M. A.**, Masud, M. A., Mridha, M. F., & Dey, N. (2024). Quantum Rationale-Aware Graph Contrastive Learning for Jet Discrimination. Under review at *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*. E [Code]
- [U-11] Jahin, M. A., Mridha, M. F., & Dey, N. (2024). Human-in-the-Loop Feature Selection Using Interpretable Kolmogorov-Arnold Network-based Double Deep Q-Network. Under review at *IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering*. [Code]
- [U-12] **Jahin, M. A.***, Soudeep, S.*, Mridha, M. F., & Dey, N. (2025). Soybean Disease Detection via Interpretable Hybrid CNN-GNN: Integrating MobileNetV2 and GraphSAGE with Cross-Modal Attention. Under review at *IEEE Access*. Code

Conferences

- [C-1] Žifčáková, L., & **Jahin, M. A.** (2023, July 23-27). Perfectly conserved sequences (PCS) between human and mouse are significantly enriched for small-protein coding sequence [Poster presentation]. **Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE)**, Ferrara, Emilia-Romagna, Italy. [Poster]
- [C-2] Žifčáková, L., Jahin, M. A., & Miller, J. (2022, December 13-15). Perfectly conserved sequences (PCS) between human and mouse are significantly enriched for exonic small proteins [Poster presentation]. Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Conference (BBCC), Virtual. [Poster]

[C-3] Jahin, M. A.*, Soudeep, S.*, Mridha, M. F., Kabir, R., Islam, M. R., & Watanobe, Y. (2025, July 1-4). CAGN-GAT Fusion: A Hybrid Contrastive Attentive Graph Neural Network for Network Intrusion Detection [Conference session]. 38th International Conference on Industrial, Engineering & Other Applications of Applied Intelligent Systems (IEA/AIE 2025). Kitakyushu, Japan. [3] [Code]

Research Internship Report

[R-1] Jahin, M. A., & Krutsylo, A. (2021). DIT4BEARs Smart Roads Internship (arXiv:2107.06755). arXiv.

Grant/Funding

Competitive Research Funding – AI

- [1] University of Aizu (Japan) (×2) for [J-1] & [U-3] Research Sponsor: Prof. Jungpil Shin 2023 - 2024
- [2] Khalifa University (UAE) (×2) for [U-6] & [U-7] Research Sponsor: Prof. Zeyar Aung 2024 - Present
- [3] OIST (Japan) (\times 1) for [U-5] *Role*: Visiting Researcher 2024 - Present
- [4] University of Aizu (Japan) (×1) for [J-7] Research Sponsor: Prof. Yutaka Watanobe 2024

Honors and **Scholarships**

Champion - CS50x Puzzle Day - Harvard University - Meta

2025

Led a 4-person international team by fostering diversity & inclusion (Bangladesh, USA, India, and Pakistan) and solved advanced 9/9 puzzles (including Metapuzzle) [Certificate]

Student Researcher of the Year Award 2024 — KUET Research Society

2024

Published the highest number of high-impact research articles (Oct 2023 - Nov 2024) in KUET [Award]

MIT Solve — 2024 Global Health Equity Challenge

2024

Founded SpecX, an XAI-powered web app, for sentiment-driven disease profiling & specialist allocation [Solution]

Champion - CS50x Puzzle Day - Harvard University - Meta

Led a 5-person international team by fostering diversity & inclusion (Bangladesh, USA, Morocco, and Pakistan) and solved advanced 9/9 puzzles (including Metapuzzle) [Certificate]

Dean's Award (x3) - KUET

2023

Received 3 Dean's awards in recognition of achieving annual GPAs ≥ 3.75 out of 4.00 in three consecutive years of undergraduate classes [Certificate]

NASA Space Apps Challenge — Global Nominee

Led a 5-person team and forecast geomagnetic storms using hybrid deep neural networks from satellite data — [Project] [30 seconds of glory video]

Finalist — HONDA Y-E-S (Young Engineer and Scientist's) Award 2022

2023

Awarded for being among the top 15 Bangladeshi young engineering undergrad student scientists [Award & certificate] Junior Research Fellowship — Bangladesh Space Research and Remote Sensing Organization

Nominated as the junior-most research fellow by SPARRSO among the other excellent 55 undergraduate researchers for the project titled "Disaster Damage Mitigation by Multispectral Remote Sensing Satellite Image Data Analysis: A Deep Learning Approach" [Project nomination] [Presentation video]

Qiskit Gold Level Translator — English to Bengali

Translated 22101 and proofread 25375 words of IBM Qiskit's first-ever textbook, collaborating with West Bengal and Bangladeshi Qiskit translator team of 36 members [Certificate]

Top 6 among 385 teams — Entrepret Season-2: Crafting Visions

2021

Developed a feasible and sustainable business canvas model for our Git and Jenkins integrated freelancing startup [Case solution] [Finalist]

Top 500 — Google Android App Developer Challenge

Engineered a countdown timer app on Android Studio with Jetpack Compose Beta using Kotlin language [Source Code] [Google swags]

Global Champion — Smart Roads Hackathon

2021

Executed a 2-person team and devised an ML model to forecast winter road friction and was offered a 1-month research internship at *UiT* - *The Arctic University of Norway* [Project Page]

Winner — ISCEA Ptak Prize Global SCM Case Competition

Led a 4-person team and achieved 70% scholarship for completing the course for the professional certification titled Certified Supply Chain Analyst (CSCA) [Case solution] [Certificate]

Champion — CS50x Puzzle Day (Fall) — Harvard University

Spearheaded a 4-person international team (Bangladesh, UK, Pakistan, and Mexico) and solved advanced 8/8 puzzles [Certificate]

Gold Honor − Ranked top 3% − IAAC

2020

International Astronomy & Astrophysics Competition [Solution][Final round certificate]

Champion — CS50x Puzzle Day (Spring) — Harvard University

2020

Led a 3-person international team by fostering diversity & inclusion (Bangladesh, Brazil, and India) and solved advanced 8/8 puzzles [Certificate]

International Asteroid Search Collaboration - NASA

2020

Administered a 4-person team and discovered 2 main belt asteroids by analyzing Pan-STARRS images using Astrometrica software [Certificate]

Gold Honor – Ranked top 5% – IYMC

2019

International Youth Math Challenge [Solution][Final round certificate]

Government Board Merit-based Scholarship (x4)

PSC (2010; 17th in Rajshahi Board; awarded for 2 years), JSC (2013; awarded for 2 years), SSC (2016; awarded for 2 years),

HSC (2018; awarded throughout 4-year B.Sc.) Govt. Board Exams

Teaching

Intro to Programming with Python

Jan 2022

2010 - 2018

Experience

Mini-Course Teacher, OIST, Japan

♦ Topics covered: Intro, Anaconda, variables, lists, strings, control structures [Course materials & details]

♦ Fellow Teachers: Dr. Nicholas Wardhana and Dr. Jeremie Gillet

Tutorials

Operations Research

Jan 2023

- Developed and presented first-ever comprehensive Bengali online tutorials on Operations Research topics, facilitating 3rd-year IPE students.
- Topics covered: Simplex Method, Two-Phase, Big M, Graphical Sensitivity Analysis, TORA. [YouTube Playlist]
- Reference book: "Operations Research An Introduction" by Professor Hamdy A. Taha.

Leadership & Advisory Roles

KUET Research Society

Oct 2023 - May 2024

Co-founder & President

- Served as an Executive Committee Member and President of the Industrial Engineering and Management Unit
- Supervising (as an alumnus) 6 groups of research students concentrating on ML-DL and computational fuzzy logic, fostering cross-departmental research collaboration
- Teaching (as an alumnus) scientific research methodology, research ethics, and journal article formatting meeting publication criteria and acquiring funding for publications

Professional

Service

Peer Reviewer

Jul 2023 – Present

Reviewed 19 journal articles verified by Web of Science as of May 1, 2025. [WoS ResearcherID]

- □ IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man and Cybernetics: Systems (1)
- ☐ Scientific Reports (Nature Portfolio) (1)
- □ ACM Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology (1)
- □ Expert Systems with Applications (Elsevier) (1)
- □ IEEE Access (5)
- □ Neural Networks (Elsevier) (1)
- □ Computers & Industrial Engineering (Elsevier) (1)
- □ Multimedia Tools and Applications (Springer Nature) (2)
- \square Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence (Elsevier) (2)
- ☐ The Journal of Supercomputing (Springer Nature) (1)
- □ Cluster Computing (Springer Nature) (1)
- □ Journal of Contemporary African Studies (Taylor & Francis) (1)
- □ Journal of Multidisciplinary Healthcare (Taylor & Francis) (1)
- $\hfill\Box$ 7th European Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management (Augsburg, Germany, July 2024) (5)

Skills

Programming

Advanced and Proficient in: Python, C/C++, R, SQL, SAS, Data Structure and Algorithm, Object Oriented Programming Familiar with: Kotlin

Machine Learning: Classical Deep Learning, Quantum Machine Learning (Qiskit, Pennylane, TorchQuantum), XAI, NLP, DASK: Parallel Computing, Tensorflow, Keras, PyTorch, IBM Watson

Data Analysis and Optimization: Microsoft Excel, IBM SPSS, Minitab, TORA, Gurobi, Beautiful Soup, Biopython,

Bioconductor, NetworkX, OpenCV **High-Performance Scientific Computing:** Deigo & Saion Cluster (OIST)

Operating System: Linux, Unix, Windows Version Control: Git Bash, Github, GitLab

Product Design: AutoCAD 2021, SolidWorks 2022, Unity 2D

Referencing Software: Zotero, Mendeley

Reviewing & Bibliometric Analysis: Publish or Perish 8.0, Gephi, VOSviewer

Writing tools: LATEX, Microsoft Word

Languages: Bengali (Native), Hindi, English (IELTS Overall Score: 7.0, R: 7.5, W: 7.0, L: 6.5, S: 6.5)

Certifications

MITx: CTL.SC4x: Supply Chain Technology and Systems (Grade: 75%)

MITx: 6.431x: Probability - The Science of Uncertainty and Data (Grade: 91%)

MITx: CTL.SC0x: Supply Chain Analytics (Grade: 83%)

MITx: 2.961.2x: Management in Engineering: Strategy and Leadership (Grade: 77%)

HarvardX: PH125.1x: Data Science: R Basics (Grade: 83%)

Delftx: UnixTx: Unix Tools: Data, Software and Production Engineering

TAUx, IsraelX: Unlocking Information Security: Part 1 ISCEA: Certified Supply Chain Analyst (Grade: 88%)

Google: IT Technical Support Fundamentals

Google: Crash Course on Python

Google: The Bits and Bytes of Computer Networking

UCSanDiegoX: DSE200x: Python for Data Science (Grade: 89%)

Georgia Tech: Speak English Professionally: In Person, Online & On the Phone

IBM: AI Chatbots without Programming IBM: PY0101EN: Python 101 for Data Science

Microsoft: Introduction to Artificial Intelligence (AI)