# Rafid Ahmed

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### **EDUCATION**

University of Dhaka

Jan 2019 - Jan 2024

BSc in Computer Science & Engineering

Dhaka, Bangladesh

CGPA: 3.54/4.00

#### RESERACH INTEREST

NLP: Low Resource Language; LLM Reasoning & Concept in LLM; Cultural & Value Alignment in LLM Multimodality: Modality Gap & Alignment; Multimodal Adapter; Multimodal Self-supervised Learning; Medical AI (Visual Question Answering, report generation, small object detection)

## EXPERIENCE

Penta Global Limited [ ]

April 2025 - Present

AI Engineer

Dhaka, Bangladesh · Current Project: Currently working on Time series forecasting, Small object detection, Medical VQA and Report generation, and Fine-tuning LLMs for Hate speech detection.

• Eximus Technologies [ )

March 2024 - February 2025

Software Engineer

Dhaka, Bangladesh

• Working Project: Built and optimized web applications using Laravel, Vue.js, React.js, and MySQL. Developed APIs, integrated payment and payroll modules, improved UI with Blade and Tailwind, and enhanced system efficiency.

#### UNDER REVIEW PAPERS

C=CONFERENCE, J=JOURNAL, W=WORKSHOP

- [C] Rafid Ahmed, Mir Sazzat Hossain, Intesar Tahmid, Tasnimul Hossain Tomal, Md Fahim, Md Farhad Alam -Evaluating Vision Language Models on Bangla Medical Visual Question Answering: Dataset and Benchmarking [Manuscript]
- [C] Tasnimul Hossain Tomal\*, Intesar Tahmid\*, Rafid Ahmed\*, Mir Sazzat Hossain, Md Fahim and Md Farhad Alam - Decoupling Representation for Fine-tuning with Linear Probing and LoRA on Robust Downstream Adaptation [Manuscript]
- [W] Rafid Ahmed, Intesar Tahmid, Mir Sazzat Hossain, Tasnimul Hossain Tomal, Md Fahim, Md Farhad Alam -How Good LLMs Are at Answering Bangla Medical Visual Questions? Dataset and Benchmarking[Manuscript]
- [W] Md Mahir Jawad\*, Rafid Ahmed\*, Ishita Sur Apan\*, Tasnimul Hossain Tomal, Fabiha Haider, Mir Sazzat Hossain, Md Farhad Alam Bhuiyan - Benchmarking Large Language Models on Bangla Dialect Translation and Dialectal Sentiment Analysis [Manuscript]
- [W] Intesar Tahmid\*, Rafid Ahmed\*, Md Mahir Jawad, Anam Borhan Uddin, Md Fahim, Md Farhad Alam Bhuiyan- PentaML @BLP Shared Task 1: Linear Probing of Pre-trained Transformer based Models for Bangla Hate Speech Detection [Manuscript]

### **PROJECTS**

#### Medical VQA LoRA

Tools: [Pytorch, Python, Llamafactory]

o Collected and curated over 7,000 X-ray, CT, and MRI images, annotated by skilled doctors for normal and abnormal findings. LoRA fine-tuned state of the art VLMs and benchmarked their performance in general and specialized case.

## • Book Recommender System

Tools: [Pytorch, Python, Hugging Face models, LangChain, and Gradio]

 Developed a book recommendation system using transformer-based embeddings and sentiment analysis using 7K book dataset in Kaggle.

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- ∘ **Programming Languages:** Python, C, C++ , JavaScript, Java, Kotlin, PHP
- Deep Learning Tools: Pytorch, Huggingface, Tensorflow, TIMM
- Large Language Models: RAG, GraphRAG, Multimodal RAG, LLM Agents, Web Agent
- LLM Tools: LangChain, LlamaIndex, Chroma, VLLM, OLLaMa, Faiss Vector Search
- o Other Tools: Scikit-Learn, Numpy, SciPy, Pandas, NLTK, Plotly

## MACHINE LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

• Finalist in Robi Datathon 3.0

In the top 20 teams among 3,500+ participants at Robi Datathon 3.0, Bangladesh's largest datathon

• Finalist in Robi Datathon 2.0
In the top 20 teams at Robi Datathon 2.0 among 384+ teams