# Md. Akram Hossain

Chattogram-4331, Bangladesh

akram.hossain.cse.cu@gmail.com

➢ Google Scholar ♥ Website

## Research Interests

Information Extraction, Multimodal AI, Causal Inference, Multilingual and Low-resource NLP, Lexical Semantics, Natural Language Processing.

#### **Education**

B.Sc. (Engg.) in Computer Science and Engineering University of Chittagong, Chattogram, Bangladesh CGPA: 3.50 out of 4.0 (last 2-years GPA 3.76)

Thesis: Named Entity Recognition from Financial Text Using Graph Neural Network.

Advisor: Dr. Abu Nowshed Chy

# Research Experience

CSECU-DSG Lab, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh; (Research Assistant)

Advisor: Dr. Abu Nowshed Chy

**KDE Lab**, Toyohashi University of Technology, Japan; (Collaboration)

Advisor: Dr. Masaki Aono

#### **Publications**

#### **International Journals:**

1. Md. Akram Hossain\* Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy, Md Zia Ullah, and Masaki Aono. Leveraging Contextual Representations with BiLSTM-based Regressor for Lexical Complexity Prediction, Natural Language Processing Journal, Vol. 5, December 2023. (PDF) [\* equal contribution]

#### Conference and Workshop Papers:

[\* equal contribution]

2023

- 1. **Md. Akram Hossain**, Muhammad Anwarul Azim, Abu Nowshed Chy, Mohammad Khairul Islam, Md Zia Ullah, and Abdul Aziz. *BiGCAT: An Integrated Graph Neural Network Model for Financial Named Entity Recognition*, ECIR-2024 (Long Paper). (Submitted)
- Nabila Ayman Nishat, Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Rokan Uddin Faruqui, Abu Nowshed Chy. BengaliLCP: A Dataset for Lexical Complexity Prediction in the Bengali Texts, LREC-COLLING 2024 (Long Paper). (Accepted)
- 3. Abdul Aziz, Md. Akram Hossain, Abu Nowshed Chy, and, Md Zia Ullah. Multimodal Complaint Detection Using Sentiment and Emotion-Aided Multitask Contrastive Learning Model, NAACL-2024 (Long Paper). (Submitted)
- 4. Abdul Aziz, **Md. Akram Hossain**, Abu Nowshed Chy, and, Md Zia Ullah. Sentiment and Emotion Analysis Using Transformer-based Multi-task Contrastive Learning Model on Code-mixed Tweets, ECIR-2024 (Short Paper). (Submitted)
- 5. Md. Akram Hossain, Abdul Aziz, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG@ Causal News Corpus 2023: Leveraging RoBERTa and DeBERTa Transformer Model with Contrastive Learning for Causal Event Classification, CASE@RANLP-2023. (PDF)

- Abdul Aziz, Md. Akram Hossain, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG@ Multimodal Hate Speech Event Detection 2023: Transformer-based Multimodal Hierarchical Fusion Model For Multimodal Hate Speech Detection, CASE@RANLP-2023. (PDF)
- 7. Abdul Aziz, Md. Akram Hossain, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG at Check-That! 2023: Transformer-based Fusion Approach for Multimodal and Multigenre Check-Worthiness, CLEF 2023. (PDF) [1st Place]
- 8. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG at SemEval-2023 Task 4: Fine-tuning DeBERTa Transformer Model with Crossfold Training and Multi-sample Dropout for Human Values Identification, SemEval-2023. (PDF)
- 9. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG @ Causal News Corpus 2022: Fusion of RoBERTa Transformers Variants for Causal Event Classification, CASE@EMNLP-2022. (PDF) [1st Place]
- 10. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. Enhancing the DeBERTa Transformers Model for Classifying Sentences from Biomedical Abstracts, ALTA-2022. (PDF) [2nd Place]
- 11. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG at SemEval-2022 Task 3: Investigating the Taxonomic Relationship Between Two Arguments using Fusion of Multilingual Transformer Models, SemEval-2022. (PDF) [4<sup>th</sup> Place]
- 12. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG at SemEval-2022 Task 11: Identifying the Multilingual Complex Named Entity in Text Using Stacked Embeddings and Transformer based Approach, SemEval-2022. (PDF)
- 13. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Abu Nowshed Chy. CSECU-DSG at SemEval-2021 Task 1: Fusion of Transformer Models for Lexical Complexity Prediction, SemEval-2021. (PDF)
- 14. Md. Akram Hossain\*, Abdul Aziz\*, Afrin Sultana\*, Nabila Ayman\*, Abu Nowshed Chy., Feature Fusion with Hand-crafted and Transfer Learning Embeddings for Cause-Effect Relation Extraction, CEREX@FIRE 2020. (PDF) [1st Place]

## Conference Presentation

- Md. Akram Hossain. Enhancing the DeBERTa Transformers Model for Classifying Sentences from Biomedical Abstracts. Australasian Language Technology Association, Flinders University, Adelaide, December, 2022.
- Md. Akram Hossain. Feature Fusion with Hand-crafted and Transfer Learning Embeddings for Cause-Effect Relation Extraction. Forum for Information Retrieval Evaluation, Hyderabad, December, 2020.

## Technical Skills

Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, PHP

Libraries & Frameworks: PyTorch, PyTorch Geometric, Tensorflow, Pandas, SpaCy,

Jupyter, Scikit-Learn

Web & Visualization: MatPlotLib, LIME, HTML, CSS

Data: JSON, XML, SQL, MongoDB

# Honors and Awards

## University of Chittagong:

– 1st Place - CheckThat!@CLEF-2023 Subtask 1A Arabic	Aug, 2023
– 1st Place - CASE@EMNLP-2022 Subtask 1	$\mathrm{Dec},2022$
– 1st Place - CEREX@FIRE2020 Task A	$\mathrm{Dec},2020$
– 1st Place - Intra-departmental programming contest	Sep, 2019
– 2nd Place - ALTA-2022 Shared Task	$\mathrm{Dec},2022$
-4th Place - PreTENS@SemEval-2022 Subtask 1	Jul, 2022

# Extra Curricular Activities

### Teaching Assistant (Jan-July 2020)

- Course: C programming Lab (CSE 114)

### Student Volunteer

- The 44th International ACM SIGIR Conference (SIGIR-2021)
- Intra-departmental competitive programming contest (2022 and 2023)

#### Reviewer

- SemEval (2021-2023), AACL-IJCNLP\* 2023, NAACL\* 2024 [\* Sub-reviewer]