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Education

- 2025– **University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**,
PhD in Computer Science.
- 2023– 2025 **The University of Texas at Dallas**,
M.Sc. (Thesis) in Electrical Engineering, (GPA-4.00/4.00).
- 2017–2022 **Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology**,
B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, (GPA – 3.56/4.00, Final 60 credits' GPA: 3.75/4.00).

Standardized Test Scores

- June 2022 **Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT): Total Score – 114/120**,
Reading: 30/30, Listening: 30/30, Speaking: 28/30, Writing: 26/30.
- December 2021 **Graduate Record Examinations (GRE): Total Score – 332/340**,
Verbal: 163/170 (92%), Quantitative: 169/170 (94%), Analytical Writing: 4.5/6 (80%).

Research Interests

Physics-Informed AI for Next-Generation Wireless Systems: Developing trustworthy digital twins for 6G networks through deep learning of complex wave propagation phenomena, with applications in beamforming optimization, sensing, and communication-sensing integration.

Journal Publications (*All as the first author*)

- March 2025 R. U. Murshed, M.S.A. Rafi, S. Reza, M. Saquib and I. Mahbub, "**MetaFAP: Meta-Learning for Frequency Agnostic Prediction of Metasurface Properties**", *Submitted to IEEE Transactions on Machine Learning in Communications and Networking*.
- Novel framework built on the meta-learning paradigm for predicting metasurface properties
 - Achieves MSE lower than 0.01 and 80% correlation on datasets of varying difficulty
- July 2024 R. U. Murshed, M. S. Ullah, M. Saquib and M. F. Uddin, "**Beyond Traditional Beamforming: Singular Vector Projection Techniques for MU-MIMO**", *IEEE Commun. Lett. (IF: 4.2), DOI: 10.1109/LCOMM.2024.3522939*.
- Novel low-complexity high-performance beamforming algorithm for MU-MIMO
 - Theoretical breakthrough: First rigorous mathematical derivation of interference upper bounds for MU-MIMO, enabling provably optimal performance guarantees
- March 2024 R. U. Murshed *et al.*, "**Real-time Seismic Intensity Prediction using Self-supervised Contrastive GNN for Earthquake Early Warning**", *IEEE Trans. Geosci. Remote Sens. vol. 62, pp. 1-19, 2024, Art no. 5909119, doi: 10.1109/TGRS.2024.3373643*.
- Physics-aware graph neural network learning wave propagation dynamics through self-supervised contrastive learning with minimal labeled seismic data
 - State-of-the-art performance: 234% improvement over existing methods, enabling life-saving earthquake warnings with at least 10-second lead time
- December 2023 R. U. Murshed *et al.*, "**A CNN-based Multifaceted Signal Processing Framework for Heart Rate Proctoring Using Millimeter Wave Radar Ballistocardiography**", *Array, Volume 20, 2023, 100327, ISSN 2590-0056, DOI: 10.1016/j.array.2023.100327*.
- Noninvasive radar sensing breakthrough: Achieving medical grade accuracy (98.73% correlation) for cardiovascular monitoring using mmWave technology
 - Multi-physics signal processing: Novel CNN architecture extracting heartbeat signatures from complex radar backscatter, advancing contactless health monitoring

- April 2023 R. U. Murshed *et al.*, "**A CNN-LSTM-based Fusion Separation Deep Neural Network for 6G Ultra-Massive MIMO Hybrid Beamforming**", in *IEEE Access*, vol. 11, pp. 38614-38630, 2023, doi: 10.1109/ACCESS.2023.3266355.
- Domain-knowledge integrated neural architecture combining spatial CNN and temporal LSTM for real-time beamforming
 - 100× speedup over iterative algorithms (PE-Alt-Min) while maintaining optimal performance, enabling practical ultra-massive MIMO deployment

Selected Conference Proceedings (*All as the first author*)

- June 2024 R. U. Murshed, M. S. Ullah, M. Saquib and M. Z. Win, "**Self-supervised Contrastive Learning for 6G UM-MIMO THz Communications: Improving Robustness Under Imperfect CSI**", 2024 *IEEE International Conference on Communications Workshops (ICC Workshops)*, Denver, CO, USA, 2024, pp. 220-226, doi: 10.1109/ICCWorkshops59551.2024.10615313.
- Significantly outperforms existing approaches in terms of achievable rate and error rates
- March 2024 R. U. Murshed, M. S. Ullah and M. Saquib, "**A Fast Effective Greedy Approach for MU-MIMO Beam Selection in mm-Wave and THz Communications**", 2024 *58th Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems (CISS)*, Princeton, NJ, USA, 2024, pp. 1-6, doi: 10.1109/CISS59072.2024.10480178.
- Low-complexity greedy algorithm for MU-MIMO beam- selection and its theoretical, computational advantages
- August 2023 R. U. Murshed *et al.*, "**Analysis of Frequency Content and Statistical Relationship among Earthquake Parameters of Seismic Data in Bangladesh**", 2023 *12th International Structural Engineering and Construction Conference*, Chicago, IL, USA, 2023, DOI: 10.14455/ISEC.2023.10(1).RAD-08.
- Multi-resolution signal analysis combining Fourier and wavelet transforms to extract hidden patterns in seismic wave propagation
 - Novel statistical frameworks for parameter correlation analysis in complex physical systems
- December 2022 R. U. Murshed, S. K. Dhruva, M. T. I. Bhuian and M. R. Akter, "**Automated Level Crossing System: A Computer Vision-Based Approach with Raspberry Pi Microcontroller**", 2022 *12th International Conference on Electrical and Computer Engineering (ICECE)*, Dhaka, Bangladesh, 2022, pp. 180-183, doi: 10.1109/ICECE57408.2022.10089007.
- Real-time computer vision deployment on resource-constrained Raspberry Pi hardware, demonstrating edge AI capabilities for safety-critical applications
 - System integration innovation: End-to-end pipeline from object detection to hardware control, pioneering edge computing for transportation infrastructure (Patent Application Filed)
- December 2021 R. U. Murshed, A. H. Hridhon and M. F. Hossain, "**Deep Learning Based Power Allocation in 6G URLLC for Jointly Optimizing Latency and Reliability**", 2021 *5th International Conference on Electrical Information and Communication Technology (EICT)*, Khulna, Bangladesh, 2021, pp. 1-6, doi: 10.1109/EICT54103.2021.9733558.
- Deep learning acceleration of weighted minimum mean square error (WMMSE) optimization, achieving 3000× computational speedup for ultra-reliable communications

Professional Experience

- 2023-2025 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of ECE, The University of Texas at Dallas, USA.
- Performing research on physics-informed AI for 6G wireless systems and signal processing under Dr. Saquib
 - Research leadership: Co-authored 7 papers (5 first-author) in top-tier venues, establishing new theoretical foundations for AI-native wireless networks and THz communications
 - Grant development expertise: Contributed to research proposals to NSF, NIH, FAA, and DARPA, developing technical sections on machine learning for wireless sensing and 6G infrastructure

2022-2023 **Research Assistant**, *Japan Institute of Disaster Prevention and Urban Safety (JIDPUS)*, BUET.

- Large-scale data collection and curation: Led comprehensive seismic data acquisition campaign using Bangladesh Meteorological Department's advanced sensor network, collecting and processing data from 48 major and minor earthquakes across Bangladesh and surrounding regions
- Novel dataset creation: Established first comprehensive seismic wave propagation database for Bangladesh's unique geological terrain, enabling breakthrough discoveries in regional earthquake characteristics and wave attenuation patterns
- Physics discovery through data science: Conducted thorough analysis revealing previously unknown seismic wave propagation characteristics specific to Bengal Basin geology, establishing a new understanding of subsurface wave interaction mechanisms
- Real-time AI system deployment: Architected and deployed a graph neural network framework for earthquake early warning systems, achieving life-saving 10-second prediction lead time
- Physics-aware machine learning: Developed novel self-supervised contrastive learning algorithms that learn wave propagation physics with minimal labeled data, establishing new paradigms for scientific AI
- Research leadership: First-authored 3 papers in top-tier venues, leading an interdisciplinary team of electrical, computer, and civil engineers

Major Academic Recognitions and Honors

- 2025 Siebel School of Computing and Data Science Graduate Fellowship, UIUC, Illinois
- 2025 Summer Research Fellowship, Harvard University
- 2025 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Doctoral Fellowship, European Union
- 2024 Invited Speaker in the show and tell session at MERIF24 in Kansas City, Missouri
- 2024 NSF Travel Grant Award for attending ARAFest24 in Ames, IOWA
- 2023-2024 Graduate Research Assistantship awarded by UT Dallas
- 2017-2022 University Technical Scholarship (Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology)

Skills

- Programming Python, C, C++, Matlab, Verilog, Embedded C, Bash, Assembly
- Frameworks TensorFlow2, RL Glue, Keras, Pytorch, Sionna, Pandas, OpenCV, SciPy
- Platforms Linux, Git, Docker, Kubernetes, OpenStack, AWS, NVIDIA Sionna, Simulink, Agile
- Simulators Quartus, Proteus, PSpice
- OS Windows, Linux, Android, MAC
- Softwares MS Word, Latex, MS PowerPoint, MS Excel
- Languages English, Bengali, Arabic (reading and writing only), Hindi (speaking only)

References

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