### **MD ZAHID HASAN**

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#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- Machine Learning specialist with over two years of experience in Computer Vision, Multimodal learning,
   Vision-Language-based foundation models, and Video action understanding research
- Implemented deep learning frameworks like PyTorch, with a focus on fine-tuning and developing cuttingedge transformer models to optimize Vision-Language models for enhanced video action recognition
- Trained with a diverse skill set to perform both the development of advanced deep modeling techniques and their practical implementation in real-world scenarios
- Successfully collaborated with students, faculties and research scientists from diverse cultures and research groups in multiple Machine Learning and Computer Vision projects as a Graduate Research Assistant

#### **SKILLS**

Python, C, C++, R, PyTorch, Tensor Flow, Keras, OpenCV, SciKit-Learn, HuggingFace, Timm, Pandas, ViT, NumPy, Matplotlib, MATLAB, Microsoft Office, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Amazon SageMaker, MPI, CUDA, OpenMP, Unix/Linux, LaTeX, GitHub, Tableau, PostgreSQL, Transformer, GPT, Llama, LLM

#### **EDUCATION**

Iowa State University (ISU), Ames, IA

**January 2021-June 2025** 

Doctor of Philosophy, Ph.D., Electrical Engineering, GPA:3.81/4

Iowa State University (ISU), Ames, IA

**January 2023-June 2024** 

Master of Engineering, M.Eng., Electrical Engineering, GPA:3.81/4

Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), Bangladesh Bachelor of Science, B.S., Electrical and Electronic Engineering, GPA:3.52/4

**July 2014-October 2018** 

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# ISU Electrical and Computer Engineering Department Machine Learning Graduate Research Assistant

June 2021-Present

- Expanded a vision-language-based framework with PyTorch to analyze distracted driving activity from naturalistic driving video (data-driven multi-modal model for understanding human behavior)
- Applied feature extraction methods in large-scale, high-dimension naturalistic driving data to analyze spatial-temporal features for cognitive impairment analyses in Alzheimer patients (used Python and PyTorch)
- Collaborated with an interdepartmental team of students and faculties from the University of Nebraska
- Implemented real-world digital biomarker algorithm to analyze driving patterns from roadway weather conditions and drivers' speed compliance in naturalistic driving (used Python and Vision Transformer)

## Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering ISU Communication and Signal Processing Graduate Teaching Assistant

January 2021-May 2021

- Graded homework assignments, final exams, and projects for ~40 undergraduate students
- Conducted sessional class on Simulink toolbox and taught two classes and review sessions for ~15 students

## BUET Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department, Bangladesh Power Systems Undergraduate Research Assistant

January 2018-December 2020

• Developed a power systems component Phase-locked loop using MATLAB's DSP toolbox and Simulink to analyze noisy signals and predict voltage variations in the power system

#### LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE EXPERIENCE

## Graduate Organization of Electrical and Computer Engineering (GOECpE), ISU Assistant Secretary

**January 2024-Present** 

- Fostered a sense of community via social interactions and assisted in the professional development of the lowa State ECpE graduate students
- Served as a liaison between the graduate students and the Iowa State ECpE Department

### Bangladesh Students' Association (BSA), ISU Student Member

January 2021-Present

- Mentored incoming Bangladeshi ISU students with onboarding information and procedures
- Engaged in student outreach and promoted the organization's mission
- Collaborated with the student officers to organize on-campus events and programs

### IEEE-Eta Kappa Nu: Nu Chapter (IEEE-HKN), ISU

November 2021-May 2023

**Graduate Member** 

- Conducted help room sessions to mentor undergraduate students and provide academic assistance
- Communicated with the student officers and assisted in organizing the Fall'21 induction program

#### **LICENSES AND CERTIFICATES**

<ul> <li>Fundamentals of Deep Learning for Multi-GPUs, NVIDIA Deep Learning Institute</li> </ul>	August 2022
CITI Program for Biomedical Research, The University of Nebraska Medical Center	June 2021
Applied Machine Learning: Algorithms, LinkedIn Learning	May 2019
Machine Learning and Al Foundations, LinkedIn Learning	July 2020

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Hasan, M. Z., Joshi, A., Rahman M., Venkatachalapathy, A., Hegde, C., Sharma, A., Sarkar S. "DriveCLIP: Zero-shot transfer for distracted driving activity understanding using CLIP," Machine Learning for Autonomous Driving Workshop at the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2022), New Orleans, USA, 2022.
- Hasan, M. Z., Basulto-Elias, G. and Tan, R. K. L., Chang, J. H., Sarkar, S., Sharma, A., Hallmark, S., and Rizzo, M. and Merickel, J. "Roadway weather challenges illuminate real-world driving biomarkers of dementia risk," Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC) 2023 Annual Meeting, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- Hasan, M. Z., Chen J., Wang J., Rahman M. S., Joshi A., Velipasalar S., Hegde C., Sharma A., Sarkar S., "Vision-Language Models can Identify Distracted Driver Behavior from Naturalistic Videos," IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Transportation Systems (submitted in June 2023; under review) (link)

#### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Graduate Organization of Electrical and Computer Engineering (GOECpE) – Assistant Secretary	2024-present
Inter-Residence Hall Association – Graduate member	2023-present
Institution of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) – Student member	2021-2023
IEEE-Eta Kappa Nu: Nu Chapter (IEEE-HKN) — Graduate member	2021-2023