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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Jan 2021 – June 2025 (Expected)

Specialization: **Natural Language Processing (NLP)**, **Computer Vision (CV)**, **Machine Learning (ML)**

- Completed coursework with Perfect GPA (4.00/4.00) - **Top 1% of class**.
- Awarded with Phi Kappa Phi for academic excellence - **Top 10% of STEM**.

PUBLICATIONS

[Google Scholar](#)

1. *Shubhashis Roy Dipta*, Mehdi Rezaee, and Francis Feraro. "Semantically-informed Hierarchical Event Modeling." Proceedings of the 11th Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics, ACL (2023)
2. *Shubhashis Roy Dipta*, [5 other Co-Authors]. "SEMal: Accurate protein malonylation site predictor using structural and evolutionary information." Computers in biology and medicine 125 (2020)
3. Sadia Islam, Shafayat Bin Shabbir Mugdha, *Shubhashis Roy Dipta*, [4 other Co-Authors]. "MethEvo: an accurate evolutionary information based methylation site predictor." Neural Computing and Applications (2022)
4. Md Easin Arafat, [9 Co-Authors including *Shubhashis Roy Dipta*]. "Accurately predicting glutarylation sites using sequential bi-peptide-based evolutionary features." Genes 11, no. 9 (2020)
5. Md Wakil Ahmad, [7 Co-authors including *Shubhashis Roy Dipta*]. "Mal-light: Enhancing lysine malonylation sites prediction problem using evolutionary-based features." IEEE access (2020)

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Jan 2021 – Present

Tech Stack: PyTorch, Python, Hugging Face, Scikit-Learn, LLM, SQL, Spacy, NLTK, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Weight & Biases, Hydra

- **Event Modeling**: Achieved **8.5% improvement** over prior state-of-the-art approaches in **2 datasets** and **across 4 evaluation metrics** by designing a novel, hierarchical, semi-supervised event modeling framework. (Published & Presented on [*SEM 23, ACL](#))
- **Multimodal Counterfactual**: Pioneering **first-of-its-kind** multimodal counterfactual dataset (**8k+ real-life events**), merging text and images for nuanced alternate timeline, a novel contribution to counterfactual reasoning and multimodal real-life event understanding.
- **Graph Convolutional Network**: Collaboratively developing a Graph Convolutional Network for language understanding and reasoning on 2 complex datasets (**250k+ data-driven event graphs**), advancing research in the field of graph-based deep learning.
- **Mentoring**: Supervising and providing research guidance to an undergraduate who is a member of an underrepresented group in CS.

Machine Learning (ML) Engineer, Backpackbang.com

Oct 2018 – Mar 2019

Tech Stack: PyTorch, Keras, Hugging Face, Large Language Model, NLTK, Python, MySQL, Elasticsearch, AWS EC2, Node.js, React

- **Boosted the sale by $\approx 23\%$** by improving existing product recommendation system using *Product2Vec* embedding.
- Engineered a Chatbot combining AI algorithms with logic-based if-else, **decreasing response time by ≈ 1 hour**.
- **Decreased server cost by $\approx 10\%$** by implementing an AWS Lambda-based ML pipeline for online learning.

Founder & Chief Technology Officer, UniShopr.com

Jan 2019 – Jan 2021

Tech Stack: Python, Node.js, React, PostgreSQL, GraphQL, AWS Lambda, AWS Lightsail

- Single-handedly led a cross-functional team of 10, achieving **1,000+** active e-commerce users and **\$100,000+/month** in orders.
- Achieved a successful startup exit, securing a **\$50,000** sale, demonstrating strategic acumen.

Full Stack Software Engineer, Sapien.Network

Apr 2019 – Jan 2021

Tech Stack: Python, JavaScript, Elixir, Node.js, React, PostgreSQL, GraphQL, Redis

- Developed backend services: Authentication, SSO, Real-time Chat, Push Notification, Caching, Marketing APIs.

PROJECTS

[Portfolio](#)

Bird Chirping Identification [↗](#)

Tech Stack: PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, Python, Matplotlib, Seaborn, EfficientNet

- Secured a [top-70](#) Kaggle ranking (**Top 6% - Bronze Medal**) by creating a robust bird **vocalization machine learning model** for complex soundscapes, advancing data-driven conservation for *Cornell Lab of Ornithology*.

SeeBel: Seeing is Believing

Tech Stack: Data Science, PyTorch, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Python, Torchvision, HRNet

- **Increased interpretability by $\approx 60\%$** (user survey) in computer vision segmentation tasks by designing a **real-time visualization tool** for semantic segmentation, bridging the gap between dataset statistics and AI model performance.

Amazon [Crawler] [Search Engine]

Tech Stack: Elasticsearch, Node.js, Express.js, Python, Multithreading, GCP

- Designed a distributed web crawler using 200 Google Compute Engine instances to extract **1M products' data**, executed **parallelism**, and discussed cost-efficiency and scalability strategies for 10M to 100M items.
- **Enhanced the retrieval of 1M data** by implementing a **resource-efficient** search engine using Elasticsearch.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- **Reviewer**: Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal, ELSEVIER (Primary), *SEM 2023, ACL (Secondary).
- **Clubs**: MIST Computer Club (President, Instructor, Judge), Notre Dame Science Club (Vice President).
- **Competitions**: 2 International Robotics Competitions (URC, USA; ERC, Poland), 2 ACM-ICPC, 25+ National Programming Competitions.