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Research Interests:

Radiomics | Auto-segmentation | LLM Adaptive-Radiotherapy | AI & ML Deep Learning | Radiation Oncology Portfolio: hash123shaikh.github.io

♦ Scholar: Hasan Scholar Profile

WORK EXPERIENCE

Quantitative Imaging Research and Artificial Intelligence Lab (QIRAIL ?)

Project Assistant, Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, Dept. of Radiation Oncology

Tamil Nadu, India Aug. 2024 – Present

[P1] Radiomics-Based Risk Stratification in Head and Neck Cancer

- Addressed clinical need: Current risk stratification inadequately predicts locoregional recurrence in HNC patients, motivating the development of improved prediction models using radiomics features.
- Conducted systematic comparison of 8 metaheuristic feature selectors (e.g., PSO, GA, GWO etc.) across multiple classifiers on 367 patients to identify optimal approaches for high-dimensional radiomics data.
- Developed interpretable prediction model: 10-feature signature (4 clinical + 6 radiomics) achieved AUC 0.81 (95% CI: 0.62-0.95) on held-out test set while maintaining clinical interpretability.
- Provided mechanistic insights: Analyzed why larger feature sets underperformed due to overfitting and validated biological plausibility of selected features with oncology collaborators.

[P2] Reproducibility Study: CNN-Based Head and Neck Cancer Prognosis (GitHub)

- Challenged reproducibility claims of published CNN model by attempting complete replication across three HNC outcomes (distant metastasis, locoregional failure, overall survival).
- Identified major dataset and documentation issues: Incorrectly provided datasets, multiple errors in data files, inadequate result reporting protocols, and poor documentation that contradicted reproducibility claims.
- Successfully reproduced results despite paper's flaws by correcting dataset errors, implementing missing preprocessing steps, and establishing proper validation protocols.
- Authors acknowledged reproducibility failures: Communicated findings that led to author recognition of dataset errors and documentation inadequacies in their published work.

[P2] CHAVI: CompreHensive Digital ArchiVe of Cancer Imaging - India's First National Oncology Imaging Biobank

- Contributed to CHAVI, a national biobank led by Tata Memorial Centre and IIT Kharagpur.
- Curated and uploaded 304+ anonymized HNC cases with validated clinical/imaging metadata.
- Built automated pipelines ensuring compliance with FAIR principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Reusable) and interoperability for multi-institutional research.

[P3] CT-based Automated Segmentation of Head and Neck Cancer Using 3D CNNs (Collaboration with NIT Surathkal, India)

- Curated and de-anonymized multi-institutional datasets (167 cases: 137 MAASTRO public + 30 CMC private), ensuring data quality and harmonization for model training and validation.
- 3D nnU-Net segmentation model achieving Global Dice scores: 0.62 (HN1), 0.63 (CMC), 0.65 (combined) demonstrating the feasibility of a CT-only approach in resource-limited settings.

[P4] Large-Scale Imaging and Clinical Data Curation for Prospective Trials (DBT/Wellcome Trust India Alliance, India)

- Contributed to a **DBT/Wellcome Trust India Alliance**—funded prospective study (2020–2025), supporting the collection, curation, and quality assurance of imaging and clinical data from ~1700 patients.
- Designed an **end-to-end radiomics pipeline**: DICOM retrieval (Orthanc), GTV-P segmentation (Citric), PyRadiomics-based extraction, enabling reproducible model training.

- Helped coordinate data annotation workflows and implemented automated AWS S3 pipelines for secure cloud backups and data recovery.
- Drafted the **NVIDIA Academic Grant Proposal**, justifying infrastructure needs for in-house deployment of large-scale deep learning models in clinical environments.

STARlab Capital Research Analyst

Lucknow, India Dec. 2023 – June 2024

- Designed, backtested, and deployed volatility-based strategies (e.g., Nebula, ARUT, A2) using **OptionNet Explorer**, **Mesosim**, **OptiTrade**, **OptiBot** tools.
- Enhanced the ARUT strategy, increasing ROI by **52.38**% through scenario-driven optimization and real-time feedback.
- Refined internal platforms: improved trade logs, added dynamic filters, and led contributions to [OptiTrade's open-source GitHub repo].

Publications

Hasan Shaikh and Rashid Ali, "Cancer Survival Prediction Using Artificial Intelligence: Current Status and Future Prospects", Data Science in the Medical Field, Academic Press, Elsevier, 2024. ISBN-13: 978-0-443-24029-4. DOI: 10.1016/B978-0-443-24028-7.00016-7. [Book Chapter]

Hasan Shaikh, Amal Joseph Varghese, Hannah Mary Thomas T et al., "Can CT Radiomics Predict Recurrence in Head and Neck Cancer? Early Results from a Prospective Imaging Trial", 14th Research Day at Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India, 2024. [Poster]

Piyus Prabhanjans, Asjad Nabeel P, Aparna V K, Rajendra Benny Kuchipudi, Hannah Mary Thomas T, Balu Krishna S, **Hasan Shaikh**, Amal Joseph Varghese, Simon Pavamani, Jeny Rajan, "Automated Segmentation of Head and Neck Cancer from CT Images Using 3D Convolutional Neural Networks", International Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Healthcare, AIHC, 2025. [Under Submission] (Paper)

Hasan Shaikh, Amal Joseph Varghese, Balu Krishna S, Julia Priyadarshini Rao, Ezhil Sindhanai, Rajendra Benny Kuchipudi, Manu Mathew, Jino Wilson Victor, Rajesh I, Simon Pavamani, and Hanny Mary Thomas T, "Before We Treat, Can We Tell? A Locoregional Recurrence Signature in Head & Neck", 15th Research Day at Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India, 2025. (Abstract)

Hasan Shaikh, Hannah Mary Thomas T, Rajendra Benny Kuchipudi, Balu Krishna S, Simon Pavamani, "Metaheuristic-Driven Machine Learning Pipelines for Radiomics-Based Prediction of Locoregional Recurrence in Head and Neck Cancer", International Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Healthcare, AIHC, 2025. [Under Submission]

Hasan Shaikh and Rashid Ali, "A Prognosis Prediction of Breast Cancer using Multimodal Gated Attention Convolution Neural Network by integrating Multi-dimensional Data (MGAttCNNMD)" [Under Preparation]

PROJECTS

Multimodal Data Analytics for Predicting the Survival of Cancer Patients

Aligarh, India

Advisor: Prof. Rashid Ali, Aligarh Muslim University (Thesis)

Aug. 2022 - Nov. 2023

- Implement a deep learning architecture, Multimodal Gated Attention Convolution Neural Network (MGAttC-NNMD), for cancer survival prediction using heterogeneous data types.
- Integrated clinical, gene expression, and copy number alteration data from the METABRICS dataset, achieving a prediction accuracy of 91.2%.

Study of AI Tools & Techniques for Legal Text Processing

Aligarh, India

Advisor: Prof. Nesar Ahmad, Aligarh Muslim University

Apr. 2022 - Jul. 2022

- Explored AI-based approaches for improving the efficiency of legal document summarization and retrieval.
- Applied topic modeling using Latent Dirichlet Allocation (LDA) to identify key topics within lengthy legal texts.
- Built an abstractive summarization tool to generate concise summaries of legal documents, enhancing decision-making for legal professionals.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, SQL (Postgres), HTML, CSS

Frameworks : TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Flask

Tools & Platforms : Docker, Orthanc PACS, XNAT, Git, GitHub Actions, CTP, 3D Slicer

Data Science & ML : Radiomics, Feature Selection, Predictive Modelling, Deep Learning : Data Management, S3 Bucket, SQL, Bash, YAML, JSON, XML

Collaboration : Project Management, Cross-Functional Collaboration

EDUCATION

Master of Technology in Computer Engineering
Aligarh Muslim University (AMU), CGPA: 8.80 / 10.00

Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2023

Aligarh, India

Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering

Aug. 2017 – Jul. 2021

Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Technical University (AKTU), CGPA: 8.04 / 10.00

Lucknow, India

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

Third Prize, Oral Presentation at the 2nd National Symposium on Health Data and AI (March 2025) – Presented "Automated Segmentation of Head and Neck Cancer from CT Images Using 3D nnU-Net" and was awarded by the BioMedical Informatics Unit, CMC Vellore.

Honors Degree awarded for exceptional academic performance, ranking in the top 1% out of 128 students in the undergraduate engineering program.

Completed NPTEL courses conducted by IITs (Elite + Silver Certified):

• Data Analytics with Python (80%) (Link)

• Essential Mathematics for Machine Learning

• Deep Learning

- Python for Data Science (78%) (Link)
- Machine Learning
- Demystifying the Brain (Link)

Workshop/Conference Attended

- 1. Participated and served as part of the Organizing Team for the **2nd Annual Winter Symposium on Health Data and AI**, conducted by Biomedical Informatics Unit, Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India (March 13–15, 2025). (Link)
- 2. Attended the Continuing Medical Education (CME) program on **Revolution and Precision in Radiation Oncology**, Ida B. Scudder Cancer Center, Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India (March 1, 2025). (Link)
- 3. Participated in the **14th Annual Research Day**, organized by the Office of Research, Christian Medical College (CMC) Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India (October 24–25, 2024). (Link)
- 4. AI & ML for Engineering & Social Sciences Research, 2023 IEEE Computational Intelligence Society (CIS) Summer School, organized by Malaviya National Institute of Technology Jaipur (MNIT) Jaipur, India, 4 8 Sep. 2023. (Link)
- 5. **7th Summer School on AI with Focus on Computer Vision & ML**, coordinated by International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Hyderabad, India, 1 31 Aug. 2023. (Link)
- 6. Emerging Research Trends in Computational Intelligence Techniques to Address Challenges in Biomedical Data and Imaging, 2022 IEEE CIS Summer School, organized by National Institute of Technology (NIT) Arunachal Pradesh, India, 7 11 Nov. 2022. (Link)

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