Hasib Zunair

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Skills

- Research Expertise: Computer Vision, Machine and Deep Learning, Technical Writing.
- Programming Languages: Python, Bash (Shell Scripting), Git
- Libraries & Programs: PyTorch, OpenCV, ONNX, CoreML, Weights & Biases, Pytest.
- Cloud Infrastructure: GCP, Vertex AI, Docker, FastAPI, GitHub Actions, Gradio.
- Team Management: Led research teams from ideation, to development, to publication.
- **Product Management**: Led end-to-end development of novel algorithms from problem framing, to planning, to design of the experiments according to industrial and business needs.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Information Systems Engineering

Sep 2021 - Dec 2024

Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada

Thesis: Masked Supervised Models for Visual Learning

MAS.c in Quality Systems Engineering

Sep 2019 - Aug 2021

Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada

Thesis: Designing Efficient Deep Learning Models for Medical Diagnosis

B.Sc. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering

May 2013 - Dec 2017

North South University (NSU), Dhaka, Bangladesh

Industry Experience

Applied ML Scientist (21 months) - Decathlon, Montreal, Canada Sept 2022 - Jun 2024 Developing machine learning and computer vision algorithms for sports use-cases and support the deployment on the cloud infrastructure and edge devices.

ML Specialist (5 months) - Ericsson, Montreal, Canada Feb 2024 - Jun 2024 Assisted three teams to build time-series forecasting models using proprietary historical data using machine learning. Also, delivered relevant ML tutorials and support project implementations.

Research Scientist Intern (12 months) - Decathlon, Montreal, Canada Sept 2021 - Aug 2022 Created image-based virtual try-on dataset using Decathlon products and developed FIFA to handle complex person poses while retaining the texture and embroidery of clothing items.

Research Scientist Intern (12 months) - Decathlon, Montreal, Canada Sept 2020 - Aug 2021 Researched approaches for semi-supervised image classification and developed STAR to improve Decathlon's existing computer vision models by leveraging large-scale unlabeled image data.

ML Specialist (6 months) - Ericsson, Montreal, Canada Oct 2021 - Mar 2022 Assisted two teams in detecting anomalies in proprietary historical time-series data using machine learning. Developed and delivered ML tutorials and support project implementations.

ML Engineer (4 months) - Think Bricks LLC, Dhaka, Bangladesh Apr 2019 - Aug 2019 Led and collaborated with a team of two interns and developed a deep learning model that improved diabetic retinopathy detection accuracy by 8% from fundus images, aiding doctors in diagnosis.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Full list of publications available on Google Scholar.

P.1 PEEKABOO: Hiding Parts of an Image for Unsupervised Object Localization. Hasib Zunair, A. Ben Hamza. In BMVC, 2024.

- P.2 RSUD20K: A Dataset for Road Scene Understanding In Autonomous Driving.

 Hasib Zunair, Shakib Khan, A. Ben Hamza. In ICIP, 2024.
- P.3 Learning to Recognize Occluded and Small Objects with Partial Inputs. <u>Hasib Zunair</u>, A. Ben Hamza. In WACV, 2024.
- P.4 Masked Supervised Learning for Semantic Segmentation. <u>Hasib Zunair</u>, A. Ben Hamza. In BMVC, 2022 (Oral Presentation, Top 5%).
- P.5 VISTA: Vision Transformer Enhanced by U-Net and Image Colorfulness Frame Filtration for Automatic Retail Checkout. Md Shihab Istiak Hossain, Nazia Tasnim, Hasib Zunair, Labiba Kanij Rupty, Nabeel Mohammed. In CVPR Workshop, 2022.
- P.6 Synthetic COVID-19 Chest X-ray Dataset for Computational Analysis. <u>Hasib Zunair</u>, A. Ben Hamza. In ICML Workshop, 2021.
- P.7 Sharp U-Net: Depthwise Convolutional Network for Biomedical Image Segmentation. <u>Hasib Zunair</u>, A. Ben Hamza. In Computers in Biology and Medicine, 2021 (Impact Factor: 7.7).
- P.8 MoNuSAC2020: A Multi-organ Nuclei Segmentation and Classification Challenge. Ruchika Verma, Neeraj Kumar, <u>Hasib Zunair</u>, A. Ben Hamza et al.. In **IEEE Transactions** on Medical Imaging, 2021 (Impact Factor: 10.6).

SOFTWARE PROJECTS

[Machine Learning Competitions]

- Product Counting and Recognition for Retail Checkout, AI City Challenge, CVPR Workshop, 2022 - 3rd Place (Paper, Code, Leaderboard)
- Tuberculosis Type Classification, ImageCLEF, 2021 2nd Place (Paper, Code, Leaderboard)
- Nuclei Segmentation, MoNuSAC, 2020 11th Place (Paper, Code, Leaderboard)
- Tuberculosis Prediction, ImageCLEF, 2019 5th Place (Paper, Code, Leaderboard)
- Bengali Digit Recognition, bengali.ai, 2018 6th Place (Paper, Code, Leaderboard)

[Datasets]

- Bangladesh Road Scene Understanding Dataset for Autonomous Driving, 2024 (Link)
- Public Synthetic Dataset of COVID-19 Chest X-rays, 2021 (Link)

[Other Projects]

- Monocular-to-3D Virtual Try-On, 2021 (Webpage, Report, Video, Slides, Code)
- Low to High Resolution Knee MRI Reconstruction, 2019 (Code)
- Deep Learning based Thyroid Nodule Segmentation from Ultrasound Images, 2020 (Code)

OPEN-SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

meituan/YOLOv6 (GitHub Stars: >5600), Fix export of models to ONNX format. kornia/kornia (GitHub Stars: >9500), Add MS-SSIMLoss reconstruction loss. keras-team/keras (GitHub Stars: >61000), Wrote tutorial code for 3D image classification.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Concordia University Graduate Doctoral Fellowship for Ph.D	2021
Concordia Internation Tuition Award of Excellence for Ph.D	2021
Concordia Merit Entrance Scholarship for Ph.D	2021
Two-year MITACS Accelerate Fellowship for MASc.	2020
Concordia Merit Entrance Scholarship for MASc.	2019
Best Student Paper Award, ICSSA, Kuching, Malaysia	2018
Winner (First Prize), IEEE SS12 Maker Fair, Hyderabad, India	2017

INVITED TALKS	Leveraging Vector Databases with Embeddings for Fast Image Search and Retrieval (Link)	2024
& Tutorials	Building and Applying Generative Models using PyTorch, Ericsson Canada (Link)	2024
	Build and Deploy Custom Docker Images for Object Recognition (Link)	2023
	Deep Learning in Computer Vision with PyTorch, NSU (Link)	2023
	Intro to Deep Learning with NumPy, NSU (Link)	2022
	Building ML models with TensorFlow, Ericsson Canada (Link)	2021
	How to get started with building Computer Vision systems, NSU (Link)	2021
	3D image classification from CT scans, Keras, TensorFlow (Link)	2020
	Programming with Python, NSU (Link)	2019
	Intro to Deep Learning for Image Classification using Python, NSU (Link)	2019
	Basics of Image Processing and Computer Vision, NSU (Link)	2018
	Intro to Robotics (ROBO101), a semester-long series of workshops, NSU	2018
CERTIFICATIONS	Udemy - "Agile Crash Course: Agile Project Management; Agile Delivery" (Link)	2024
& Training	Udemy - "GitHub Actions - The Complete Guide" (Link)	2023
& TRAINING	Udemy - "Terraform for Beginners using GCP - Google Cloud (Hands-on)" (Link)	2023
	Udemy - "Google Cloud Machine Learning - Vertex AI" (Link)	2023
	W&B - "Effective MLOps - Model Development" (Link)	2023
	Udemy - "Google Cloud Platform (GCP) Fundamentals for Beginners" (Link)	2023
	Udemy - "Kubernetes for the Absolute Beginners - Hands On" (Link)	2023
	Udemy - "Docker for the Absolute Beginner - Hands On - DevOps" (Link)	2023
	CIFAR - "Deep Learning + Reinforcement Learning Summer School" (Link)	2021
	Coursera - "Deep Learning Specialization" (Link)	2019
	Coursera - "Introduction to TensorFlow for AI, ML, DL" (Link)	2019
	Coursera - "Convolutional Neural Networks in TensorFlow" (Link)	2019
	Coursera - "IBM Machine Learning with Python" (Link)	2019
ACADEMIC	Reviewer: Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2024	
SERVICES	Reviewer: British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2022, 2024	
	Reviewer: International Conference on 3D Vision (3DV), 2022, 2023, 2024	
	Reviewer: Pattern Recognition Letters (PRL), 2022	
	Reviewer: Physics in Medicine and Biology (PMB), 2021, 2022	
	Terrewor. I hysics in Medicine and Diology (1 MD), 2021, 2022	
Teaching	Lab Demonstrator, COMP 6771: Image Processing, Concordia University	2022
EXPERIENCE	Lab Demonstrator, COMP 333: Intro to Data Analytics, Concordia University	2021
	Lab Demonstrator, COMP 6771: Image Processing, Concordia University	2021

SUPERVISION & MENTORING

- Mominul Islam, "CosSIF: Cosine similarity-based image filtering to overcome low inter-class variation in synthetic medical image datasets", In Computers in Biology and Medicine, 2024.
- Jingnan Cao, "Human Pose Estimation for Bike Posture Analysis", In Decathlon SportsLab, France, 2023.
- Khundker Mohammad Sarwar Khalid, Farhan Ishraq Omi, Mohammed Bashem, "Improving Masked Supervision for Semantic Segmentation", 2023.
- Kazi Ramisa Rifa, Khalid Bin Shafiq, "Bangladeshi Traditional Virtual Try-On with Deep Learning Techniques and Computer Vision", 2023.
- Rejuana Islam, Fairooz Rahman, Md. Khaled Zohani Tonmoy, Mahmud Khan, "Synthetic Data Generation for Imbalanced Medical Image Classification", 2023.
- Ifad Uz Zaman, Sudipta Bhatta, Sadia Jeesan Ayesha, "Improving Knowledge Distillation for Medical Image Classification", 2022.

- Deponker Sarker Depto, Md. Mashfiq Rizvee, "Quantifying imbalanced classification methods for leukemia detection", In Computers in Biology and Medicine, 2022.
- Md Shakib Khan, Kazi Nabiul Alam, Abdur Rab Dhruba, "Knowledge Distillation Approach Towards Melanoma Detection", In Computers in Biology and Medicine, 2022.
- Deponker Sarker Depto, Shazidur Rahman, Md. Mekayel Hosen, Mst Shapna Akter, Tamanna Rahman Reme, "Automatic Segmentation of Blood Cells", In Tissue and Cell, 2021.
- Tamanna Rahman Reme, "Analysis of Deep Learning Architectures on High Variation Malaria parasite Classification", In Tissue and Cell, 2021
- Labib Chowdhury, "Robust deep speaker recognition: Learning latent representation with joint angular margin loss", In Applied Sciences, 2020

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Founding President, IEEE Robotics and Automation Society, North South University 2017 Conducted technical workshops for undergraduate students on building mobile robots and led teams in organizing and participating in national and international robotics competitions.

Media Coverage

"One of our students did something crazy with transfer learning.", Jeremy Howard, fast.ai.

"Semi-supervised visual learning using large-scale sport image data.", Concordia University.

"A multi-year training program for AI professional development at Ericsson.", Concordia University.