# Md Kaykobad Reza

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#### **Education**

## **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D)**

Computer Science and Engineering (Current CGPA 4.00/4.00) Research Topics: Multimodal Machine Learning and Computer Vision University of California, Riverside Spetember 2022 - Present Supervisor: Dr. M. Salman Asif

## **Bachelor of Science (with Honors)**

Research Topics: Natural Language Processing

Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET) Computer Science and Engineering (CGPA 3.94/4.00) February 2015 - April 2019 Supervisor: Dr. M. Sohel Rahman

#### **Research Interests and Publications**

#### **Research Interests**

My interests broadly span the area of Multimodal ML and Computer Vision. Currently I am working on:

- Multimodal data fusion which is robust to missing, noisy, occluded and unaligned modalities
- Incorporating new modalities to existing models without increasing computational overhead significantly
- Methods for extracting information from noisy/unaligned/low-resolution data & test time model adaptation

Robust Multimodal Learning with Missing Modalities via Parameter-Efficient Adaptation Under Review Md Kaykobad Reza, Ashley Prater-Bennette, M. Salman Asif

Proposed a parameter efficient adaptation method for multimodal models that can enhance missing modality performance by up to 31.46% Submitted to: ICLR 2024 | arXiv | Webpage

## **Multimodal Transformer for Material Segmentation**

**Under Review** 

Md Kaykobad Reza, Ashley Prater-Bennette, M. Salman Asif

Proposed a novel fusion strategy and model for multimodal material segmentation that outperforms current state of the art model in all modality combinations Submitted to: OJSP | arXiv | Webpage | Code

## **Automatic Summarization of Scientific Articles from Biomedical Domain**

IJCCI 2019

Md Kaykobad Reza, Rifat Rubayatul Islam, Sadik Siddique, Md. Mostofa Akbar, M. Sohel Rahman Proposed an algorithm for generating summaries automatically that outperforms traditional methods

#### **Work Experience**

## **Graduate Student Researcher**

University of California, Riverside

September 2022 – Present California, USA

- Proposed a parameter efficient adaptation technique for multimodal models that can enhance missing modality performance by up to 31.46%
- Designed a novel fusion strategy and model named MMSFormer for multimodal material segmentation that outperforms current state of the art model in all modality combinations

## Senior Engineer, Software Research & Engineering

bKash Limited (Joint venture of Money in Motion, Ant Group & SoftBank)

July 2019 – August 2022 Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Developed a solution for receiving remittance to bKash digital wallet directly from popular platforms like **Payoneer**, **Wise** and **Remitly** resulting in **17%** increase in total number of active users.
- Worked with **bKash Customer App** team to link bKash digital wallet to **36** government and private banks for real time and secure money transfers.
- Worked with **bKash Merchant App** team to build a real-time dashboard for small to large businesses.
- Collaborated with **bKash Payment Gateway** team for implementing fast and secure payment solution resulting in a 23.2% increase in user engagement and 12.6% increase in total yearly revenue.
- Our team also implemented send money, mobile recharge, cash out and deposit pension scheme (DPS).

## **Software Engineer, Mobile Application**

Samsung Research & Development Institute, Bangladesh

May 2019 – July 2019 Dhaka, Bangladesh

- I worked as an iOS application developer and worked in Mobile Application Group 1.
- My primary responsibilities were to develop mobile applications, ensure code quality and fix critical bugs.

# **Machine Learning Projects**

#### **Language generation using RNNLM (NLP Project)**

Deep Learning, Keras | Github

Used Quora question pair dataset to generate sentences for gap filling & template-based sentence generation.

#### **Automated Lawn Mower (Hardware Project)**

Deep Learning, Computer Vision | Youtube

Automated device using computer vision, camera, sonar sensors to detect and cut grass, avoiding obstacles.

## **Weather Station (Microcontroller Project)**

Machine Learning, Microcontroller | Youtube

A compact device that monitors current weather, stores data, conducts analysis and predicts future weather.

## **Software Projects**

**Dyne: Meet Your Friends Over Food (Social Media App)** Flutter, Firebase, NodeJs, Geolocation | Details Social app for instant food meetups, exploring restaurants, chatting, coupons, fostering connections & savings.

**Dorao: Your Running Companion (Fitness Tracker App)** Flutter, Firebase, Django, Geolocation | Details Track walks/runs, log time & distance, real-time stats, create group, complete daily challenges & earn rewards.

**Procurement Institute (Tender Management Solution)** Flutter, Firebase, In-App Purchase | Details Find out all the gazetted tenders, see details, search or filter, save for later, subscribe for alerts and reminders.

**Payvor: Pay & Get Paid for a Favor (Freelance Platform)** Flutter, Firebase, C# .NET, Stripe | Details Post job/apply for job, select preferred applicant, assign the job, get the work done, make payment or get paid.

**Kalimera (Tourist Guide App in Greece)** Flutter, Firebase, Geolocation, In-App Purchase | Details Find out hotels, tourist spots, restaurants, transportation, events, adventures and everything at your fingertips.

**Pessa: Real-Time Financial Transaction (FinTech App)**Flutter, Firebase, C# .NET | Details All-in-one mobile wallet for seamless money management. Add money, send funds instantly, cash out, & more.

**Cherished Prayers (Social Media for the Pious)** Flutter, Firebase, Django, Real-Time Chat | Details Record, share, seek solutions, connect with others via chat, groups, and feedback for an enriched experience.

#### **Skills**

**Soft Skills** Communication, Collaboration, Problem Solving

**Programming Languages** Python, Dart, Java, C/C++

**Library/Frameworks** PyTorch, TensorFlow, Huggingface, Sk-learn, OpenCV, NumPy, Pandas, Mat-

plotlib, Flutter, Django

**Database** MySQL, PostgreSQL, HBase, Firebase Firestore, Firebase Realtime DB

Anaconda, PyCharm, Android Studio, VSCode, Firebase, RestAPI, GraphQL,

FastAPI, Git

#### Leadership

Software/Technologies

**Vice President**Greater Rangpur Students' Welfare Association, BUET

Aug 2018 – May 2019

Class Representative

Department of Computer Science & Engineering, BUET April 2016 - April 2019

#### **Awards**

Dean's Distinguished Fellowship	University of California, Riverside	Fall'22 - Spring'23
Department Dean's List Award	Bangladesh University of Eng. & Tech. (BUET)	2015 - 2019
University Merit Scholarship	Bangladesh University of Eng. & Tech. (BUET)	2015 - 2019
MetLife Pathways Scholarship	MetLife Foundation	2015 - 2018
Education Board Scholarship	Bangladesh Education Board	2012 - 2018