

# Maryam Hasan

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## Education

Ph.D. in Computer Science, Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI), Worcester, MA, USA, 2012 – 2021

Thesis title: Automatic Emotion Detection in Text Messages using Supervised Learning, GPA: 3.8/4.0

Master of Science in Computer Science, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, 2008 – 2011

Thesis title: Extracting Structured Knowledge from Textual Data in Software Repositories, GPA: 3.7/4.0

## Technical Skills

**Programming Languages:** Python, Java, C++, SQL, R, PHP

**Development tools:** IPython Notebook, Eclipse, RStudio, MySQL, MongoDB, NLP tools

**Machine learning and Deep learning tools:** Scikit-learn, NumPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, PyTorch

## Professional Experiences

**Lecturer**, Computer Science Department, San Francisco State University, 2017 - 2022

- Teaching Database Management Systems course to undergraduate and graduate students

**Research Assistant**, Data Science Research Lab, Computer Science department, WPI, 2013 - 2021

- Developed a hierarchical clustering model to detect topics on Twitter messages (*using Java and Apache Mahout*)
- Developed machine learning models to classify text messages (*using SVM, Naïve Bayes, Decision Tree, KNN*)
- Developed and evaluated transformer neural networks to learn emotion-specific embeddings by fine-tuning language models via transfer learning (*using Python: NumPy, Scikit-learn; TensorFlow: RNN, Bi-LSTM, BERT Transformers*)

**Software Engineer Intern**, Oracle Company, Marlborough, MA, June - September 2013

- Developed a program to add more information to log messages using *Java, Logback*
- Designed and developed unit test plans and *JUnit* test cases

**Collaborating Researcher**, InfoLab, CSAIL, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, February 2012- May 2012

- Collaborated in START project to extract information from Web for natural language question answering
- Developed a Web Scraper to extract symbols and synonyms from Persian movie websites (*using PHP*)
- Developed a program to extract information about the extracted symbols from movie websites (*using Scheme*)

**Software Engineer**, Multimedia Lab, University of Alberta, Canada, January - July 2011

- Collaborated in a team project to develop a web based application for testing high school students
- Developed the user interface using *Java and Google Web Toolkit*, and the server using *PHP and MySQL*

**Research Assistant**, Service Systems Research Lab, University of Alberta, Edmonton, May 2009- Dec 2010

- Designed and developed a tool to extract structured knowledge from textual data in software repositories (*using Java, XQuery, DB2, XML, Stanford NLP tools: PoS tagger, Dependency Parser*)
- Extracted relations among named entities via Hierarchical Clustering of blogs (*using Java, MySQL, Stanford NLP*)
- Developed a program for feature selection in micro-array gene expression data via Bi-Clustering (*using MatLab*)

**Software Engineer**, Software Engineering Research Lab, University of Alberta, Edmonton, June 2008-Sep 2008

- Collaborated in Annoki project which is a Wiki tool for researchers
- Developed a graphical web interface for Annoki using *Adobe Flex, PHP and MySQL*

## Publications

- **Maryam Hasan**, Elke Rundensteiner, Emmanuel Agu, DeepEmotex: Classifying Emotion in Text Messages using Deep Transfer Learning, IEEE Big Data: Machine Learning on Big Data (IEEE BigData, MLBD), December 2021.
- **Maryam Hasan**, Elke Rundensteiner, Emmanuel Agu, Automatic Emotion Detection in Text Streams by Analyzing Twitter data, *International Journal of Data Science and Analytics*, Springer 2019.

- **Maryam Hasan**, Elke Rundensteiner, Xiangnan Kong, Using Social Sensing to Discover Trends in Public Emotion, In Proceedings of IEEE International Conference on Semantic Computing (IEEE ICSC), 2017.
- **Maryam Hasan**, Elke Rundensteiner, Emmanuel Agu, Using Hashtags as Labels for Supervised Learning of Emotions in Twitter Messages, In Proceedings of ACM SIGKDD Workshop on Health Informatics (HI-KDD), August 2014.
- **Maryam Hasan**, Elke Rundensteiner, Emmanuel Agu, EMOTEX: Detecting Emotions in Twitter Messages, In Proceedings of the 6<sup>th</sup> ASE International Conference on Social Computing, SocialCom, May 2014.
- Di Yang, Kaiyu Zhao, **Maryam Hasan**, Hanyuan Lu, Elke Rundensteiner and Matthew Ward, Mining and Linking Patterns across Live Data Streams and Stream Archives, VLDB, October 2013.
- Yi Shi, **Maryam Hasan**, Zhipeng Cai, Guohui Lin and Dale Schuurmans, Linear Coherent Bi-clustering via Beam Searching and Sample Set Clustering, *International Journal of Discrete Mathematics, Algorithms and Applications* (DMAA). December 2011.
- **Maryam Hasan**, Eleni Stroulia, Denilson Barbosa and Manar Alalfi, Analyzing Natural Language Artifacts of the Software Process, Early Research Achievement track of the 26th IEEE International Conference on Software Maintenance (ICSM'2010), Timisoara, Romania, September 2010.
- Yi Shi, **Maryam Hasan**, Zhipeng Cai, Guohui Lin and Dale Schuurmans, Linear coherent bi-cluster discovery via beam detection and sample set clustering, International Conference on Combinatorial Optimization and Applications (COCOA 2010). The Big Island, Hawaii, United States. December 2010.

## Projects

- **DeepEmotex**: A Deep Transfer Learning framework to Classify Emotion in Text Messages, 2021
  - Developed a deep transfer learning method to learn domain-specific features from context.
  - Fine-tuned pre-trained natural language models (e.g., BERT and USE) on the target classification task.
  - Developed a baseline neural network model (i.e., Bi-LSTM) and evaluated DeepEmotex models.
  - The proposed DeepEmotex-BERT model outperformed the baseline model by 23%.
  - Implemented using Python: Scikit-learn, NumPy, Pandas, TensorFlow, PyTorch
- **EmotexStream**, A two-stage framework to Discover Trends in Public Emotion, 2017
  - Developed a binary classification model to classify text messages into emotion and no-emotion classes.
  - Developed and evaluated an online method to measure public emotion and detect temporal changes of emotion in a stream of messages during events.
  - Used Hoeffding's inequality to define an upper bound on the probability that the sum of independent random variables deviates from its expected value. Implemented using *Java*.
- **Emotex**: A Machine Learning approach to Detect Emotion in Text Streams, 2014
  - Collected and processed large corpus of labeled messages for supervised learning of emotions in text.
  - Developed and evaluated machine learning models to classify text messages including Support Vector Machines (SVM), Naïve Bayes and Decision Tree.
  - Implemented using *Python* (*Scikit-learn*, *NumPy*) and *Java*
- **LinCoh**, A Feature Selection approach using Linear Coherent Bi-Clustering via Beam Searching and Sample Set Clustering, 2012
  - Developed a method to find linear coherent bi-clusters in Gene Expression Microarray data. Our method exploits a robust technique to identify conditionally correlated genes, combined with an efficient density-based search for clustering sample sets. Implemented using *MatLab*
- **Annoki**, A Wiki tool for researchers, 2011
  - Collaborated in Annoki project which is a social Wiki tool for researchers
  - Developed a graphical web interface for Annoki
  - Implemented using Adobe *Spring-Flex*, *PHP* and *MySQL*