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RESEARCH INTEREST

I am deeply interested in Efficient Deep Learning with the goal of making training, inference and deployment of deep learning model efficient and increasing the capability of these models on resource constrained platforms.

EDUCATION

University of Dhaka 2019 - 2023

- BSc in Computer Science and Engineering (GPA: 3.46/4.0)

Notre Dame College 2016 - 2018

- HSC (GPA: 5.00/5.00)

Dhaka Residential Model College 2014 - 2016

- SSC (GPA: 5.00/5.00)

PUBLICATIONS

Mushahid Intesum, Abdullah Ibne Masud, Md Rezaul Karim, and Md Ashraful Islam (2025). “STFT-GradTTS: A Robust, Diffusion-based Speech Synthesis System with iSTFT decoder for Bangla”. In: *International Journal of Speech Technology*.

PROJECTS

Speech Synthesizer for Bangla [Link](#)

Funded by the University Grants Commission, we worked on building a novel Speech Synthesizer made specifically for Bangla. Our project aims to tackle the data scarcity problem of Bangla by preparing a large, 20-hour-long, single-speaker audio dataset that is collected in a studio quality environment.

We also proposed STFT-GradTTS, a novel diffusion based TTS model with multi-stream iSTFT decoders and Stochastic Duration Predictor. The paper is published at the International Journal of Speech Technology.

Llava Efficiency Experiments [Link](#)

An independent research project where I attempted to investigate post-training pruning of attention tokens in the vision-tower and cross-modal fusion towers of Llava 7B model to find possible opportunities for post training optimization. The code was tested on 2x T4 GPU option of Kaggle.

Bird Call Identifier Using ESP32 [Link](#)

A bird call identifier deployed on ESP32 MCU with on-device inference. Using the BirdClef dataset, the model was trained, quantized and deployed on the ESP32. Utilized hierarchical labels and class balanced sampling

TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

From Prompt to Product: A Workshop on the Working Principles of Large Language Models

A workshop on the working principles of modern LLMs held at the University of Dhaka, organized by IEEE SBC DU Branch. In it, we talked at length how LLMs work, from explaining about transformers to the process of pre-training and finetuning. We also had a hands-on session where participants were able to implement these same ideas into code. Slides of the workshop can be found [here](#).

STFT-GradTTS: A Robust, Diffusion-based Speech Synthesis System with iSTFT decoder for Bangla

A presentation and workshop on our paper ‘STFT-GradTTS: A Robust, Diffusion-based Speech Synthesis System with iSTFT decoder for Bangla’ at the University of Dhaka. In it, we presented our data collection strategy and methodology for the paper and held an open Q&A session. Slides of the workshop can be found [here](#).

WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer, Therap(BD) Ltd.

March 2024 - present

- Working as a Software Engineer at Therap(BD) Ltd. I work on a scalable, large scale application based on Spring, Oracle and Hibernate that serves thousands on clients.

University of Dhaka, Research Assistant

April 2023 - May 2024

- Worked as a research assistant where we worked to create a Speech Synthesizer for Bangla from scratch. The project aims to address data scarcity in Bangla by collecting a large single-speaker audio dataset that spans more than 20 hours and a novel TTS system made for Bangla.

One Data Labs, Data Engineer

June 2023 - January 2024

- Worked as a Data Engineer at One Data Labs which is based in Serbia. Key tasks included scraping raw data from sources, creating a pipeline for data collection, cleaning data and analysing the data to find interesting insights for product development

NON-ACADEMIC SERVICE

CSEDU Students' Club, General Secretary

January 2023 – December 2023

- Part of the management committee of Code Samurai 2024
- Arranged Indoor Sports Week and Cultural Day
- Arranged DuCTF, an Intra-Department Capture the Flag competition
- Part of the management group that arranged 'Eid Ananda', a charity event that provided food to 100 families during Ramadan

CSEDU Students' Club, Secretary (Sports)

January 2022 – December 2022

- Arranged Indoor Sports Week and Cultural Day
- Arranged Intra-Department Football Competition
- Took part in arranging Dean's Award in 2022

CSEDU Students' Club, Executive Member

January 2020 – December 2021

- Part of the management committee of Code Samurai 2019
- Arranged Indoor Sports Weeks and Cultural Day

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Programming Languages | Python, Java |
| Tools | Pytorch, Tensorflow, Spring |
| Languages | Bangla, English |