# Md. Mushfiqur Rahman

Career Interests: Computer Vision and Machine Learning Research

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**SCORES** 

**GRE** (Date Taken: 4th November 2020)

327/340

QR: 167 VR: 160 AWA: -

**TOEFL** (Date Taken: 17th October 2020)

105/120

Reading: 29/30 Listening: 30/30 Speaking: 23/30 Writing: 23/30

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

## Islamic University of Technology (IUT)

2017 - Mar 2021

BSc in Computer Science and Engineering

CGPA 3.77/4.00 (after 6 semesters)

Medium of instruction: English

Expected date of graduation: Mar 2021

- Obtained OIC scholarship
- Worked at IUT Computer Vision Lab (supervisor: Dr. Md. Hasanul Kabir)
- Runner-up of Inter University App Development Contest, 2019 ICT Fest
- Champion of ICT4D at 4th AUW ICT Fest 2018

# Notre Dame College

2014 - 2016

Medium of instruction: English

Higher-Secondary School Certificate, Science

GPA 5.00/5.00

• Medalist in Bangladesh Mathematical Olympiad (2016)

#### St. Joseph Higher Secondary School

2006-2014

Medium of instruction: English

Secondary School Certificate, Science

GPA 5.00/5.00

- $\bullet$  2 times National Topper and Gold Medalist in International~Assessment~for~Schools~(Maths) organized by UNSW
- 4 National Medals in *Bangladesh Mathematical Olympiad* (2009, 2012, 2013, 2014). 2 times National Math Camper
- 2 Divisional Medals in Bangladesh Physics Olympiad (Dhaka) (2013, 2014)

# RESEARCH PUBLICATION (Peer-reviewed)

Md. Mushfiqur Rahman, Sabah Binte Noor, Fazlul Hasan Siddiqui,

Automated Large-scale Class Scheduling in MiniZinc, Accepted at 2nd International Conference on Sustainable Technologies for Industry 4.0 (STI 2020)

Funded by the University Grant Commission (UGC), Bangladesh

In this paper, we propose an automated system to generate class schedules in reasonable time (less than 1 minute for a typical setting). The paper considers the class-scheduling as a constraint satisfaction problem. The use of MiniZinc (a constraint modeling language) and Chuffed (off-the-shelf solver used in the implementation) makes the system robust.

ON-GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS Md. Mushfiqur Rahman, Thasin Abedin, Khodokar S. S. Prottoy, Ayana Moshruba, Fazlul Hasan Siddiqui.

Semantically Sensible Video Captioning (SSVC), Submitted to a peer-reviewed journal. Pre-print is available.

In this paper, we propose a lightweight solution to video captioning by the introduction of two novel concepts – "Stacked Attention" and "Spatial Hard-Pull". Our model efficiently captures the higher level features of videos along with lower level features. We also propose a novel scoring method for video captioning models.

### Image Restoration with GAN

Academic Thesis, Supervised by Dr. Md. Hasanul Kabir

In this research, our goal was to restore and reconstruct old broken images. Our proposed method can handle several kinds of noises simultaneously and have performance comparable to state-of-the-art methods. Our primary contribution is the use of 'structure loss' in restoration tasks that helps maintaining overall consistency of the images. Our model also uses coherent semantic attention to ensure proper inpainting.

### Artificial Abstraction and Reasoning Generation

On-going research

# WORK EXPERIENCE

## Dhaka University of Engineering and Technology, Gazipur

Research Assistant

Feb 2020 – Jul 2020

- Worked with Dr. Fazlul Hasan Siddiqui (head of CSE deptartment, DUET)
- Built an automated university scheduler using heuristic approach and authored a research paper
- Used MiniZinc and Python for implementation

#### Samsung R&D Institute Bangladesh, Dhaka

Intern

Nov 2019 - Jan 2020

- Worked on a research project that aimed at generating realistic equirectangular images from 3D models using GAN
- Implemented the conditional GAN architecture adjusted for spherical images

#### M-World, Bangladesh

Game Development Team Lead

Jul 2019 – Sept 2019

- $\bullet$  Developed 2 and roid games using Unity and C# for a nutrition awareness project (funded by GAIN and BSMMU)
- The two games Pothe pothe and <u>Radhuni Ami</u> are available in play-store.

## Bangladesh Mathematical Olympiad

Academy Team Member (Volunteer)

Jan 2017 - Nov 2017

# OTHER RELEVANT ACTIVITIES

## Other Notable Accolades

- Silver medal in "Bengali.AI Handwritten Grapheme Classification" (by Kaggle)
- Top 10 finish in "Dhaka-AI Traffic Detection Challenge 2020"

#### Other Notable Projects

- Real-time Object Detection for Autonomous Vehicles using YOLOv5 in Pytorch
- Bengali Hand-written Digit Recognition in **Tensorflow**
- A simple Bengali OCR application for android (available at play-store)
- Automated Intersection Management in MiniZinc (with python interfacing)
- A cricket scoring app in C++ (Qt platform)
- A travel manager desktop application in Java

#### Other Courses

- Machine Learning Course on Coursera (offered by Stanford University)
- Deep Learning Specialization on Coursera (offered by DeepLearning.ai)
- Introduction to Psychology on Coursera (offered by University of Toronto)