# RABIUL AWAL

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Master of Science | Computer Science

Jan 2021 -

University of Saskatchewan (Overall grade 88%)

Saskatoon, Canada

**Bachelor of Science** | Computer Science

May 2014 – Dec 2018

Noakhali Science and Technology University

Noakhali, Bangladesh

### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **Machine Learning Intern**

Mar 2022 -

MITACS Accelerate Program, Living Sky Technologies

Saskatoon, Canada

- Developed and researched DL-based scientific document summarization using Transformers in PyTorch.
- Modified standard Transformers to support long input sequences, resulting in 8% increase in BLEU score.
- Integrated domain adaptive models to better capture domain-specific summary.

# **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

Jan 2021 –

Computer Science, University of Saskatchewan

Saskatoon, Canada

- Worked closely with students and conducted teaching responsibilities.
- Courses: Data Structure and Algorithms, Python, and Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

**Research Student** Jun 2020 -

Social AI. Studio Lab, Singapore University of Technology & Design

Singapore

- Developed NLP & DL models using LSTM, Transformers (BERT, T5, XLM-R) in HuggingFace and PyTorch.
- Researched efficient transfer learning, domain adaptation and multi-task learning in multilingual LMs.
- Led and collaborated on 5 research projects, published 3 papers at PAKDD21, EMNLP20 (NLP+CSS), ICWSM-DC21.

**Software Engineer** Jan 2019 – Dec 2020

Goava Sales Intelligence AB [Startup], Data Team

Dhaka, Bangladesh

- Worked on 10+ scalable microservices and REST APIs using Flask, API Gateway.
- Contributed to Discover and Find Companies API, a core prospect generation product from 3M+ profiles.
- Worked on refactoring data structures for indexing and searching big data using Elastic Search.
- Worked on distributed crawler using Nutch and AWS EMR, Lambda, SQS to crawl thousands websites a day.
- Worked on a rule-based URL finder for 1.5M company names using Beautiful Soup, Scrapy, and asyncio.
- Implemented features in multi-source multi-layer data import pipeline, reducing 90% manual workload.
- Implemented features in B2B sales workflow maintenance tool, 100% automated.
- Advanced detection accuracy by upgrading the DL-based NER using Tensorflow and AWS SageMaker.

#### SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, C++

Database: MySQL

AWS: Sage Maker, Lambda, API Gateway, SQS, EMR, DynamoDB, EC2, S3

Framework: Flask

Bigdata & ML: Hadoop, Nutch, Elasticsearch, Pytorch, Tensorflow

Tools: Git, Bash, Linux

# Leadership & Awards

• Fo	<b>under –</b> NLPDhaka	, grass-root communit	y for fostering	g ML in Ban	gladesh	website	
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2021 -

Graduate Teaching Fellowship @UofS, Canada

2021

• President - Computing Club @NSTU, Noakhali, Bangladesh

2015 - 2018

• 1st place at NSTU Intra University Programming Contest, Dhaka, Bangladesh

2016

• 3rd place at CoU Regional Programming Contest (CoURPC), Comilla, Bangladesh

2015