# SAEED ABDULLAH

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#### RESEARCH INTEREST

My work, on a broader scale, focuses on providing technology mediated care in the context of mental health. In this new model of care, the goal is to detect early warning signs and provide intervention even before the relapse happens — moving from reactive to preemptive care.

Towards that, I have designed, developed and deployed smartphone based sensing systems for Bipolar and Schizophrenic patients. I am also interested in enabling circadian stability in general population.

### **EDUCATION**

2011 -CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NY

PhD Student Information Science

Committee: Tanzeem Choudhury (Chair), Geri Gay and Deborah Estrin

2011 - 2014 CORNELL UNIVERSITY, ITHACA, NY

Master of Science Information Science

GPA: 3.86 · Adviser: Tanzeem Choudhury

2009 – 2011 University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

Master of Science Computer Science

Assistant

GPA: 4.00 · Adviser: Xindong Wu

Worked on modeling information diffusion on Twitter using mathematical

epidemiology theories.

2003 – 2007 BUET, DHAKA

Bachelor of Science Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET)

Computer Science & Engineering

GPA: 3.79 · Advisers: Dr Monirul Islam and Shohrab Hossain Thesis Topic: Evolution of Neural Network using Genetic Algorithm

## WORK EXPERIENCE

CORNELL UNIVERSITY 2012 -

Graduate Designing, developing and deploying smartphone based sensing systems in the Researcher

context of mental health.

2015, Fall MICROSOFT RESEARCH

Research Intern I developed and deployed novel interventions to improve creative ability. My

mentor was Mary Czerwinski, VIBE group.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY 2011 - 2012

Graduate Teaching Teaching and grading for CS4300: Information Retrieval and CS/INFO 2300:

Intermediate Design and Programming for the Web. Guest lecture on special topics

for INFO 4120/6120: Ubiquitous Computing.

2009 – 2011 University of Vermont

Graduate Teaching Teaching and grading for CS 201: Operating Systems, CS 32: Puzzles, Games & Algorithms, CS 222: Computer Architecture, CS224: Algorithm Design and Analysis

Algorithms, CS 222: Computer Architecture, CS224: Algorithm Design and Analysis, CS 195: Computer Science for Geo-spatial Technologies, CS 204: Database Systems

2008 – 2009 AfriGIS Ltd, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Software Developing search engine with special focus on geographic relevance for

Developer subscribers of Vodacom, South Africa.

2008 Summer Google Summer of Code

Google Summer of Worked on a Just-In-Time (JIT) compiler for Java to provide instruction

Code selection and code emission for array manipulation bytecodes.

**SERVICE** 

2011 - CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Student Faculty Hiring Committee (2013 – 2015)

Representative Computing Facilities Support (2011 – 2013)

Colloquium Organizer (2011 – 2012)

*Reviewer* CHI (2014 – 2016)

UbiComp (2014 – 2016) PervasiveHealth, 2015

IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering

Behavior Research Methods Journal

Organizer Program Committee Member

5th International Conference on Digital Health, 2015

Workshop Organizer

Biological Rhythms and Technology, CHI, 2014

**AWARDS** 

2013 Summer \$100,000 HERITAGE OPEN MHEALTH CHALLENGE

Heritage Open mHealth Challenge

Winner

Our MoodRhythm project focusing on Bipolar patients won Heritage Open mHealth Challenge co-sponsored by Heritage Provider Network, Open

mHealth, and the University of California, Los Angeles.

**PRESENTATIONS** 

2014 Summer ISTC-PC

ISTC-PC Intel Science and Technology Center for Pervasive Computing (ISTC-PC)

Presentation title: Towards Circadian Computing: "Early to Bed and Early to

Rise" Makes Some of Us Unhealthy and Sleep Deprived

2014 Summer Human Computer Interaction Consortium

HCIC Human Computer Interaction Consortium (HCIC)

Boaster title: Circadian computing: Towards bodyclock friendly technology

2014 Spring MIT & Cornell Hacking-Medicine Hackathon

Health Hackathon hosted by WebMD

Selected to participate in MIT & Cornell Health focused Hackathon hosted by WebMD. Worked on Smartphone app that supports individuals with Bipolar Disorder to establish daily routine

2012 Summer ISTC-PC

ISTC-PC

Intel Science and Technology Center for Pervasive Computing (ISTC-PC) Poster title: Towards Population Scale Activity Recognition: A Scalable Framework for Handling Data Diversity

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

2016 Saeed Abdullah, Elizabeth L. Murnane, Mark Matthews and Tanzeem Choudhury. Circadian Computing: Sensing, Modeling, and Maintaining Biological Rhythms. Book chapter. In Press

Eun Kyoung Choe, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Mashfiqui Rabbi, Edison Thomaz, Daniel A. Epstein, Matthew Kay, Felicia Cordeiro, Gregory D. Abowd, Tanzeem Choudhury, James Fogarty, Bongshin Lee, Mark Matthews, and Julie A. Kientz. **Semi-Automated Tracking: A Balanced Approach for Self-Monitoring Applications.** IEEE Pervasive. *In Press*.

Saeed Abdullah, Mark Matthews, Ellen Frank, Gavin Doherty, Geri Gay,
 Tanzeem Choudhury. Automatic detection of social rhythms in Bipolar
 Disorder. Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association.

Dror Ben-Zeev, Rui Wang, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Rachel Brian, Emily Scherer, Lisa Mistler, Marta Hauser, John Kane, Andrew Campbell, Tanzeem Choudhury. **Mobile Behavioral Sensing in Outpatients and Inpatients with Schizophrenia**. Psychiatric Services.

<u>Saeed Abdullah</u>. **Towards circadian computing: a sensing & intervention** framework for BodyClock friendly technology. In Proceedings of the 2015 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing and Proceedings of the 2015 ACM International Symposium on Wearable Computers, pp. 515-520. ACM, 2015.

Ellen Frank, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Mark Matthews, Tanzeem Choudhury. **Automatic Detection of Social Rhythms in Bipolar Disorder via Smartphone**.

Poster presented at American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP).

Elizabeth L. Murnane, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Mark Matthews, Tanzeem Choudhury, and Geri Gay. **Social (media) jet lag: How usage of social technology can modulate and reflect circadian rhythms**. In Proceedings of the 2015 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing, pp. 843-854. ACM, 2015.

Mark Matthews, Stephen Voida, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Gavin Doherty, Tanzeem Choudhury, Sangha Im, and Geri Gay. **In Situ Design for Mental Illness: Considering the Pathology of Bipolar Disorder in mHealth Design**. In Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction with Mobile Devices and Services, pp. 86-97. ACM, 2015.

Saeed Abdullah, Elizabeth L. Murnane, Jean MR Costa, and Tanzeem Choudhury. Collective Smile: Measuring Societal Happiness from Geolocated Images. In Proceedings of the 18th ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing, pp. 361-374. ACM, 2015.

Jaime Snyder, Mark Matthews, Jacqueline Chien, Pamara F. Chang, Emily Sun, Saeed Abdullah, and Geri Gay. MoodLight: Exploring Personal and Social Implications of Ambient Display of Biosensor Data. In Proceedings of the 18th ACM Conference on Computer Supported Cooperative Work & Social Computing, pp. 143-153. ACM, 2015.

Saeed Abdullah, Mark Matthews, Elizabeth L. Murnane, Geri Gay, and Tanzeem Choudhury. Towards Circadian Computing: Early to Bed and Early to Rise Makes Some of Us Unhealthy and Sleep Deprived. The 2014 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing (UbiComp 2014).

Mark Matthews, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Geri Gay, and Tanzeem Choudhury. **Tracking Mental Well-Being: Balancing Rich Sensing and Patient Needs**. Computer, 47.4(2014). IEEE Computer Society.

2013 <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>. Clockwise: Inferring Chronotype and Daily Patterns from Smartphone Use. Extended abstract presented in Doctoral School, UbiComp 2013.

Snyder, J., Matthew, M., <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Chien, J., Sun, E., Gay, G. **Light, Color, Affect, and Stress**. Annual Meeting of the Society for Social Studies of Science (4S), San Diego, CA, October 2013.

Frank. E, Matthews, M., Choudhury, T., Voida, S. & <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>

Developing a Smart Phone App to Monitor Mood, Social Rhythms, Sleep and Social Activity: Technology to Support Effective Management of Bipolar Disorder. Accepted Poster to American College of Neuropsychopharmacology.

Voida, S., Matthews, M., <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, Chi, M., Green, M., Jang, W.J., Hu, D., Weinrich, J., Patil, P., Rabbi, M., Rahman, T., Gay, G., Frank, E. & Choudhury, T. **MoodRhythm: Tracking and supporting daily rhythms**. Interactive demonstration presented UbiComp, 2013.

- Saeed Abdullah, Nicholas Lane, and Tanzeem Choudhury. Towards
   Population Scale Activity Recognition: A Scalable Framework for Handling
   Data Diversity. Appears in the Proceedings of AAAI 2012.
- 2011 Saeed Abdullah, and Xindong Wu. An epidemic model for news spreading on twitter. 23rd IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI), 2011.
- Anupam Das and <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>. **Evolving Multilayer Neural Networks using Permutation free Encoding Technique**. In Proceedings of the 2009
  International Conference on Artificial Intelligence (ICAI, 2009)
- Anupam Das, Md. Shohrab Hossain, <u>Saeed Abdullah</u>, and Rashed Ul Islam.

  Permutation Free Encoding Technique for Evolving Neural Networks. In Proceedings of the 5th international symposium on Neural Networks:

  Advances in Neural Networks (ISNN, 2008)