Salman Rahman

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Education

2023-Present Ph.D. in Computer Science (AI/NLP), GPA: 4.00/4.00, University of California, Los Angeles

— Advisor: Saadia Gabriel

M.S. in Applied Statistics and Data Science, GPA: 4.00/4.00, University of Texas RGV

Selected Research Projects

Project 1 Scalable Red Teaming Framework for Multi-Turn Jailbreaking

— Multi-agent red-teaming framework designed to systematically generate multi-turn jailbreak attacks and provide large-scale open-source safety resources for robust, real-time safeguarding of interactive LLM systems [pdf summary]

Project 2 Emergent Social Behavior in Multiagent LLMs

— Developing a multi-agent simulation platform to explore emergent social behaviors and risks in LLM-based agents through realistic network interactions and game-theoretic modeling [pdf summary]

Project 3 Scalable Oversight & Generalization

- Developing human supervision methods for advanced AI systems via multi-agent LLM debate and consultation frameworks, focusing on complex tasks where ground truth is difficult to verify [debate app]
- Systematic evaluation and targeted fine-tuning of clinical language models to enhance generalization across diverse healthcare settings [arXiv]
- Analysis of how data factors (such as sample size imbalance, covariate shift, concept shift, and omitted variables) and model complexity contribute to disparities in LIME explanations [FAccT]
- Comprehensive assessment of vision model robustness across convolution, attention, hybrid, sequence-based, and network-based architectures under out-of-distribution settings [arXiv]

Project 4 AI for Social Good

- Large-scale Google Street View image analysis demonstrates that neglecting domain knowledge and mediators biases built-environment interventions for obesity and diabetes, highlighting the importance of causal frameworks in AI-driven health decisions [PNAS]
- Ensemble machine learning methods for landslide prediction, optimizing spatial agreement and reducing model uncertainties [remote sensing]
- Machine learning and optimization approaches for sustainable resource management in Bangladesh, focusing on waste-to-energy^[journal], solar power^[journal], and agricultural systems^[journal]

Industry Experience

Multimodal AI Research Intern, Apple

— Developed a pipeline to generate high-quality, task-specific synthetic data for fine-tuning Apple's MMI multimodal model on specialized computer vision tasks

Work Experience

2024–Present Research Fellow, UCLA Computer Science
2022–2023 Research Assistant, NYU Computer Science

Teaching Assistant, University of Texas, Mathematics & Statistics
— STAT 3337: Probability and Statistics; STAT 3301: Applied Statistics

Research Assistant, University of Texas, Mathematics & Statistics

Selected Publications

2024	Understanding Disparities in Post Hoc Machine Learning Explanations — Vishwali Mhasawade, Salman Rahman , Zoe Haskell-Craig, Rumi Chunara ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAccT)
2024	Generalization in Healthcare AI: Evaluation of a Clinical Large Language Model — Salman Rahman, Lavender Yao Jiang, Saadia Gabriel, Yindalon Aphinyanaphongs, Eric Karl Oermann, Rumi Chunara arXiv Preprint
2024	Utilizing Big Data Without Domain Knowledge Impacts Public Health Decision-Making — Miao Zhang, Salman Rahman , Vishwali Mhasawade, Rumi Chunara Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)
2020	Improving Spatial Agreement in Machine Learning-Based Landslide Susceptibility Mapping — Mohammed Sarfaraz Gani Adnan, Salman Rahman , Nahian Ahmed, Bayes Ahmed, Md. Fazleh Rabbi, Rashedur M. Rahman <i>Remote Sensing</i>

Awards

2024	PhD Fellowship, UCLA
2021	Presidential Graduate Research Scholarship, University of Texas
202I	LaunchPad Ideas Competition Grand Prize, Blackstone