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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Large Language Models, Text and Framing Analysis, Low-Resource and Multilingual NLP, Speech Recognition, Speech Translation, Language Documentation.

EDUCATION George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

Ph.D., Computer Science, 2021-2025 (Expected)

• Advisor: Antonios Anastasopoulos, Ph.D, Assistant Professor

Bangladesh University of Professionals, Dhaka, Bangladesh

B.Sc, Computer Science and Engineering, January 2018

• Bachelor Thesis: Development of a Machine Learning Framework for Sorting and Classifying Unstructured Data from Resumes

Advisor: Hasan Sarwar, Ph.DCumulative GPA: 3.70/4.00

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

May 2023 – August 2023

George Mason NLP Lab George Mason University

Supervisor: Antonios Anastasopoulos, Ph.D.

Student Researcher

June 2021 – Present

George Mason NLP Lab George Mason University

Supervisor: Antonios Anastasopoulos, Ph.D.

Research Assistant

May 2022 – August 2022

George Mason NLP Lab George Mason University

Supervisor: Antonios Anastasopoulos, Ph.D.

Publications

- Syeda Sabrina Akter and Antonios Anastasopoulos. 2023. A Study on Scaling Up Multilingual News Framing Analysis. The 2023 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing [Under Review]
- Syeda Sabrina Akter and Antonios Anastasopoulos. 2022. The GMU System Submission for the SUMEval 2022 Shared Task. In Proceedings of the First Workshop on Scaling Up Multilingual Evaluation, pages 13–20, Online. Association for Computational Linguistics.
- 3. Islam, Muhammad Nazrul, Toki Tahmid Inan, Suzzana Rafi, **Syeda Sabrina Akter**, Iqbal H. Sarker, and AKM Najmul Islam. "A systematic review on the use of AI and ML for fighting the COVID-19 pandemic." IEEE Transactions on Artificial Intelligence 1, no. 3 (2020): 258-270.
- 4. Salehin, Saadnoor, Syeda Sabrina Akter, Anika Ibnat, Tasmiah Tamzid Anannya, Nurun Nahar Liya, Manisha Paramita, and Md Mahboob Karim. "An IoT based proposed system for monitoring manhole in context of Bangladesh." In 2018 4th International Conference on Electrical Engineering and Information & Communication Technology (iCEEiCT), pp. 411-415. IEEE, 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2022-Spring 2023

CS 678 - Advanced Natural Language Processing

Instructor: Dr. Antonios Anastasopoulos, Dr. Ziyu Yao, Dr Sina Ahmadi

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

George Mason University

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2021, Spring 2022

CS 310 - Data Structures

Instructor: Dr. Katherine Russell, Dr. Tessema Mengistu Department of Computer Science and Engineering

George Mason University

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2021

• SWE 437 - Software Testing and Maintenance

Instructor: Dr. Jeff Offut

Department of Software Engineering

George Mason University

• SWE 637 - Software Testing

Instructor: Dr. Robert Kurtz

Department of Software Engineering

George Mason University

Lecturer Jan 2019- June 2020

Courses: Data Structure, Structured Programming Language, Object Oriented Programming(C++), Digital Logic Design,

Operating Systems, Computer Architecture.

Dept Head: Raihan-Ul-Masood

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Northern University Bangladesh

RESEARCH TALK

• Presented my current research in The ACM Capital Region Celebration of Women in Computing Conference (CAPWIC), 2023.

AWARDS

Competitive Awards

- Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award, 2022-2023, Department of Computer Science, GMU
- Best Project Award, Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering (2017, MIST)
- Commandant's List Award for Academic Excellence (2016, MIST)
- IUT ICT Fest Project Showcasing Runners Up (2017, Islamic University of Technology)

Services

- Volunteer for 2022 Annual Conference of the North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics
- Teaching Assistant to a guest Lecture in Georgetown University, 2023
- Teaching Assistant for Summer Guild Breakthrough tech 2021, 2022

Miscellaneous

Languages:

• Bengali, English

Computer Programming:

• Python, PyTorch, Sci-kit Learn, C, C++, Java, PHP, UNIX shell scripting, SQL, MySQL, MATLAB, and others