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Research Interests

Multimodal Learning | Reinforcement Learning | Trustworthy and Efficient Al | Image & Video Processing | Al in Healthcare

Education

BSc Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

March 2025

Department: Electrical and Electronic Engineering Major: Communication and Signal Processing

- ◆ CGPA: 3.87/4.00 **Rank:** 3rd in CSP Major (Top 5%)
- Relevant Coursework: Microprocessor and Embedded Systems, Wireless Communication, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Random Signals and Processes, Communication Systems, Digital Signal Processing, Probability and Statistics, Computer Programming, etc.

Publications

* = Equal Contribution, [P] = Preprint, [C] = Conference, [J] = Journal

- 1. [P] I. N. Swapnil*, A. Saha*, T. A. Khan*, M. A. Haque, "GRPO++: Enhancing Dermatological Reasoning Under Low-Resource Settings", Under Review at IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics. [Preprint]
- 2. [P] A. Saha*, T. A. Khan*, I. N. Swapnil*, M. A. Haque, "CLARIFY: A Specialist-Generalist Framework for Accurate and Lightweight Dermatological Visual Question Answering", Under Review at IEEE Transactions on Human-Machine Systems. [Preprint]
- 3. [P] T. A. Khan, A. Saha, I. N. Swapnil, M. A. Haque, "Compression Strategies for Efficient Multimodal LLMs in Medical Contexts", Under Review at Journal of Signal Processing Systems (Springer). [Preprint]
- 4. [C] S. Sobhan, A. Saha, T. A. Khan, A. Zami, "Skin Cancer Classification Using Pre-trained CNNs: A Transfer Learning Approach Addressing Imbalanced Data Challenges", published at the 2nd Int'l Conf. on Next-Gen Computing, IoT and Machine Learning (NCIM), June 2025. [Link]
- 5. [C] S. Sobhan, A. Zami, M. Ahmed, T. M. Zihan, T. A. Khan, A. Saha, "A Multi-Stage Deep Learning Approach to Tuberculosis Detection with Explainable Insights", published at the 2nd Int'l Conf. on Next-Gen Computing, IoT and Machine Learning (NCIM), June 2025. [Link]

Research Experience

Development of a Multimodal Medical Assistance Chatbot for Domain-Specific Applications Undergraduate Research

Dhaka, Bangladesh Nov 2023 Mar 2025

- ♦ Developed a dermatology chatbot by fine-tuning a vision-language model on Dermnet, leveraging GRPO/DPO for reasoning, DINOv2 and KG-based RAG for precision, and structured pruning for efficiency.
- ♦ Research Supervisor: Dr. Mohammad Ariful Haque, Professor, EEE, BUET

Selected Projects

EchoLens: Multimodal Conversational AI Engine

GitHub

♦ A FastAPI-based multimodal engine integrating SmolVLM for vision-language reasoning, OpenAI Whisper for speech-to-text, and pyttsx3 for text-to-speech with persistent conversational memory.

Simple MedQA-GPT: GPT Tailored for Medical Q&A

GitHub

♦ A fine-tuned GPT-2 model trained on a custom medical JSONL dataset using Hugging Face Trainer and deployed as a Dockerized REST API via FastAPI for clinical question-answering.

Autonomous Delivery Drone for Remote and Inaccessible Areas

Report

An autonomous quadcopter utilizing an APM 2.8 flight controller with GPS waypoints programmed

MATLAB-Based Fingerprint Recognition System

GitHub Report

♦ Executes fingerprint identification via minutiae-based matching, employing a pipeline of Fourier Transform enhancement, locally adaptive binarization, and an iterative parallel thinning algorithm.

Competition

♦ 1st Runner Up - Poster Competition (AI)

Poster Title: Al-Powered Dermatological Assistant: Bridging Healthcare Gaps Through Multimodal Intelligence [Poster] BEAR Summit - Bangladesh National Semiconductor Symposium 2025 [Certificate]

Professional Experience

Advanced Chemical Industries Ltd. [Website]

Dhaka, Bangladesh Apr 2025 Present

Machine Learning Engineer Office Projects:

- ♦ **CV Sorter:** LLM-Powered automated CV evaluation system for scoring candidates.
- ♦ **Insight Explorer:** LLM-powered analysis of tabular data to uncover trends and patterns.
- Bangla OCR: Conversion of printed and handwritten Bengali text into machine-readable format.
- ♦ Al-powered generic drug formulation: An Al platform at ACI Healthcare to accelerate generic drug development, and reduce manual effort. [Ongoing]

Extracurricular Experience

Robotics Bootcamp 2025 [Website]

Dhaka, Bangladesh June 2025

Instructor, Institute of Robotics and Automation, BUET

♦ Delivered a lecture on *PID Control for Robotics*, introducing feedback control fundamentals, PID components, and tuning methods with practical analogies.

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) [Website]

Remote Apr 2024 Feb 2025

Student Executive, ACM SIGCOMM

Appointed as the first-ever Student Executive, working with Dr. Matthew Caesar (UIUC) to lead global networking initiatives, develop the official SIGCOMM website, and co-found the SIGCOMM paper reading group where I presented research.

Technical Skills

- ♦ **Hardware:** Microcontrollers, IoT Devices, Sensors.
- ♦ **Programming:** Python, MATLAB, C/C++, Pandas, NumPy.
- ♦ ML/DL/NLP: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Hugging Face Transformers, CNNs.
- ⋄ DevOps & Tools: Docker, FastAPI, Git, LaTeX, Microsoft Office.

Honors and Awards

- University Merit Scholarship (4 semesters)
 BUET, for outstanding academic performance
- ♦ **Dean's List Award** (Years 1-2) BUET, for high cumulative GPA achievement
- ♦ 29th Rank out of 10,000+ candidates in BUET Undergraduate Admission Test (2019)
- ♦ 31st Rank (Male Category) out of 300,000+ in Dhaka Board HSC; Talent Pool Scholarship recipient with 96.83% in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and 91.15% overall
- ♦ Perfect Attendance Certificate Notre Dame College, for flawless attendance during Classes 11-12

References

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