MAHIMA AHSAN

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Data Visualization: SQL, Seaborn, Matplotlib, PowerBI, Excel Programming: C++, Python, Java, Assembly Language

Frameworks: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Scikit-Learn, Django

Languages: Bengali, French, English, Arabic, Hindi

EDUCATION

B.Sc in Computer Science and Engineering North South University, Dhaka CGPA 3.57 out of 4

B.E in Computer Engineering University of Wollongong, Dubai

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Classifying Bangla Health Misinformation on Social Media Platforms Sep, 2022 - May, 2023 using Machine Learning - (View project here)

- Manually scraped and prepared a dataset of 2000 health related posts in Bangla
- Preprocessed the data using NLP techniques.
- Trained different machine learning models like SVM, Random Forest, etc. to compare performance for accurately validating health related social media posts

Recognizing Bangla handwritten texts using knowledge distillation

- Worked with two large Bangla handwritten word-level datasets
- Improved a novel knowledge distillation model called LILABOTI to improve minor classes recognition
- Conducted inter-dataset testing and evaluation against baseline model
- Used appropriate evaluation metrics such as CRR, WRR, NED and F1-scores to compare the results and determine the effectiveness of knowledge distillation in addressing the class imbalance problem.

Feb, 2022 - Dec, 2022 Capstone Project - 'Structured State Space sequence (S4) model in Action **Recognition Tasks'.**

- Performed EDA on action recognition datasets using Python libraries such as pandas, NumPy, Seaborn and matplotlib.
- Worked with the Structured State Spaces sequence (S4) model and its variations (S4D and SaShiMi models) for Action Recognition task.
- Investigated the benefits and potential improvements of using S4 over traditional models like Transformers and RNNs
- Explored different strategies to fine-tune and optimize the performance of the S4 model.

Efficient Data Pruning in Deep Learning for Optimized Training

- Implemented selective data pruning in deep learning, focusing on training efficiency and model accuracy.
- Utilized a self-guided approach to identify and train on key data batches, achieving equal accuracy with 20% less data than conventional training methods.

Oct, 2020- Dec, 2022

Sep, 2018 - May, 2020

Feb, 2022 - June, 2023

May, 2023

WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Analyst

Advanced Chemical Industries (ACI), Dhaka

Responsibilities include:

- Project Management and Requirement analysis- Collaborating with stakeholders to identify their information needs and requirements, and translating them into technical specifications for data analysis and reporting while ensuring timely deliverables.
- Advanced Data Analysis: Employing techniques like clustering, time series analysis, and predictions to discover patterns and relationships in complex data sets.
- Data Visualization- Creating visually appealing and informative charts, graphs, and dashboards using PowerBI to present data in a meaningful way for stakeholders

Tools used: PowerBI, Python, MySQL, MS Excel and Power Query,

Software Developer

Tourism Point, Dhaka

- Developed the back end infrastructure using Django REST Framework, including API creation, database management, and security implementation.
- Designed and enhanced the front end, focusing on user-friendly interfaces, responsive design, and improved user experiences.
- Improved accessibility and convenience for tourists.

Tools used: Python, Django, PostgreSQL, Bootstrap and HTML

Software Designing and Development (Remote) Best Canadian Immigration, Canada

• Responsibilities include designing their website's frontend and user experience and maintaining their website

Tools used: Figma, Node.js and React

Software Development Internship

Technohaven Company Ltd., Dhaka

- Designed Prototypes of User Experience for various web-based platforms including e-commerce for pharmaceuticals and digital banking with cryptocurrency.
- Created reports and conducted detailed R&D on process flow and microservices architecture for implementation.

PUBLICATIONS

Conference papers

P. Rahman, E. Sarker, M. Ahsan, I. T. Naheen and F. Bin Ali, "Classifying Bangla Health Misinformation from 2023 Social Media Using Machine Learning," 2023 International Conference on Machine Learning and Cybernetics (ICMLC), Adelaide, Australia, 2023, pp. 114–119, doi: 10.1109/ICMLC58545.2023.10327937.

Working papers

Shahjahan, T., **Ahsan, M.**, Islam, M., Hossain, M., Rahman, F., Nabeel, M., 'BORO-LILABOTI – Building of Robust Orders for Leveraging Isolated Letter Accumulations By Ordering Teacher Insights for Bangla Handwriting Recognition' – (Paper under review)

Ahsan, M., Sarker, E., Rahman, P., Islam, M., Roy, K., Nabeel, M., 'FPS does increase performance: Video Action Recognition with Structured State Spaces'

Hossain, M., **Ahsan**, **M**., 'Understanding Economic disruption in developing countries due to generative AI implementation in first-world countries'

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Grand Finalists (Top 10) - Robi Datathon 3.0

Jan, 2023 - Present

Jun, 2022 – Sep, 2022

Sep, 2022 - Mar, 2023

Apr, 2023 - Aug, 2023

Paper presentation, ' Classifying Bangla Health Misinformation from Social Media Platforms using Machine Learning', 22nd International Conference on Machine Learning and Cybernetics (<i>ICMLC</i>) 2023	May, 2023
Grand Finalists - Skitto Hackathon, Grameenphone	Sep, 2022
Secured Third place at the Innovation fair conducted by the University of Wollongong in Dubai for the project "Reverse Vending Machine"	May, 2020
Outstanding Academic Excellence Scholarship holder at the University of Wollongong, Dubai	Sep, 2018
PREVIOUS PROJECTS	
 Recipe App using Django Rest Framework Developed the back-end for this app using Django and also Dockerized the project. Made use of test-driven programming by adding unit tests. Used PostgreSQL for database management 	March, 2023
 Airline Management System used PHP for back-end programming and made a MySQL database to store flight-related data made use of HTML for front-end programming 	May, 2022
 Parking Management System Used a micro-controller to control entry and exit points of the parking space Used assembly language to create different components of the parking system like number of parking space available and etc. 	Oct, 2022
 Covid-19 Online Vaccine Registration Portal Designed a user interface using Java-FX that mimics the online vaccine registration process. 	Sep, 2021
 MIPS Datapath Design Planned and implemented an instruction set architecture with the help of an assembler. Used Logisim, Java and Assembly Language 	Feb, 2021
 Reverse vending machine - (View Project demo here) Designed and programmed a vending machine that takes in cans and plastic bottles and rewards the user with coupons. Worked with Multisim and Arduino Uno for this project 	May, 2020
EXTRACURRICULARS	
Special Education Teacher at St. Mary's Catholic High School, Dubai Sep, 2017	'- May, 2018

Executive member Bangla Express and editor of the Student Express	July, 2016 -Jan, 2020
Magazine, Dubai	

REFERENCES

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