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EDUCATION

University of Central Florida, Florida, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Science Jun 2025 (Expected)

- Advisor: [Dr. Kevin Moran](#)
- Studied Ph.D. in Computer Science at George Mason University from Aug 2019 to Aug 2023
- Dissertation: Multimodal Learning for Automated Bug Report Management
- CGPA: 4.00 (out of 4.00)

George Mason University, Virginia, USA

M.S. in Computer Science May 2023

- Advisor: [Dr. Kevin Moran](#)
- CGPA: 3.98 (out of 4.00)

Islamic University of Technology, Dhaka, Bangladesh

B.S. in Computer Science and Engineering Nov 2016

- Advisor: [Dr. Abu Raihan Mostofa Kamal](#)
- CGPA: 3.49 (out of 4.00)

WORK EXPERIENCE

University of Central Florida, Florida, USA

- *Graduate Research Assistant* Aug 2023 – Present
 - Utilized Large language models (LLMs) for graphical user interface (GUI)-based program repair
 - Assessed bug reproduction steps by mapping to the GUI elements utilizing LLMs and program analysis to provide feedback to bug reporters so that they can rewrite the steps if necessary
 - Utilized LLMs for automatically generating assertions to validate the existence of diverse types of reported failures (i.e., crash and non-crash) in Android applications to aid in regression testing
 - Addressed the limitations of code-to-comment-translation models and generated improved software documentation using transformer-based models and contrastive learning

George Mason University, Virginia, USA

- *Graduate Research Assistant* May 2021 – Aug 2023
 - Improved text-retrieval-based bug localization by leveraging GUI interaction data to mitigate the semantic gap between information in bug reports and code
 - Developed a program analysis tool that converts user-performed app actions into replayable scenarios and extracts detailed GUI information for automated testing and debugging
 - Built a chatbot for bug reporting to improve report quality and studied the usability of the tool
 - Analyzed the characteristics of diverse types of reproducible bug reports to build effective automated techniques for different bug report management activities
 - Generated automated software documentation using visual software data encoded in GUIs by fine-tuning neural image captioning models
 - Characterized the shortcomings of code-to-comment-translation models without relying on existing reference-based metrics in order to address the shortcomings in developing new models
- *Graduate Teaching Assistant* Aug 2019 – May 2021
 - Assisted in the following courses: CS367 (Computer Systems and Programming) and CS222 (Computer Programming for Engineers)

Samsung R&D Institute Bangladesh Ltd., Dhaka, Bangladesh

- *Software Engineer* Jan 2017 – Mar 2019
 - Worked in an iOS application named SmartThings, designed to enable users to monitor and control smart electronic devices or appliances through their phones
 - Worked on developing the IoTivity architecture, which enables seamless communication between cloud services and consumer electronics devices
 - Developed multiple GUIs for the SmartThings project

**RESEARCH
INTERESTS**

Software Engineering, Bug Reporting, Bug Localization, Program Repair, Automated Mobile Testing, Natural Language Processing for Software Engineering, Source Code Analysis

**REFERRED
CONFERENCE
PUBLICATIONS**

- C7. [ICPC'25] **J. Mahmud**, A. Saha, O. Chaparro, K. Moran, and A. Marcus, “Combining Language and App UI Analysis for the Automated Assessment of Bug Reproduction Steps,” in *Proceedings of the 33rd IEEE/ACM International Conference on Program Comprehension*, Ottawa, Canada, Apr 2025, pp. to appear in 12 pages. (41% acceptance rate)
- C6. [ISSTA'24] A. Saha, Y. Song, **J. Mahmud**, Y. Zhou, K. Moran, and O. Chaparro, “Toward the Automated Localization of Buggy Mobile App UIs from Bug Descriptions,” in *Proceedings of the 33rd ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Software Testing and Analysis*, Vienna, Austria, Sep 2024, pp. 1249-1261. (21% acceptance rate)
- C5*. [ICSE'24] **J. Mahmud**, N. D. Silva, S. A. Khan, S. H. Mostafavi, S. M. H. Mansur, O. Chaparro, A. Marcus, and K. Moran, “On Using GUI Interaction Data to Improve Text Retrieval-based Bug Localization*,” in *Proceedings of the 46th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Software Engineering*, Lisbon, Portugal, Apr 2024, pp. 1-13. (7% acceptance rate)
- C4. [MSR'24] K. Baral, J. Johnson, **J. Mahmud**, S. Salma, M. Fazzini, J. Rubin, J. Offutt, and K. Moran, “Automating GUI-based Test Oracles for Mobile Apps,” in *Proceedings of the 21st International Conference on Mining Software Repositories*, Lisbon, Portugal, Apr 2024, pp. 309-321. (29% acceptance rate)
- C3*. [ESEC/FSE'22] Y. Song, **J. Mahmud**, Y. Zhou, O. Chaparro, K. Moran, A. Marcus, and D. Poshyvanyk, “Toward Interactive Bug Reporting for (Android App) End Users*,” in *Proceedings of the 2022 ACM Joint European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering*, Singapore, Nov 2022, pp. 344-356. (22% acceptance rate)
- C2. [SANER'22] J. Johnson, **J. Mahmud**, T. Wendland, K. Moran, J. Rubin and M. Fazzini, “An Empirical Investigation into the Reproduction of Bug Reports for Android Apps,” in *Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering*, Honolulu, Hawaii, Mar 2022, pp. 321-332. (24% acceptance rate)
- C1. [SANER'22] K. Moran, A. Yachnes, G. Purnell, **J. Mahmud**, M. Tufano, C. B. Cardenas, D. Poshyvanyk, and Z. H'Doubler, “An Empirical Investigation into the Use of Image Captioning for Automated Software Documentation,” in *Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering*, Honolulu, Hawaii, Mar 2022, pp. 514-525. (24% acceptance rate)

**REFERRED SHORT
CONFERENCE &
WORKSHOP
PUBLICATIONS**

- S5. [ICSE'24] **J. Mahmud**, “Toward Rapid Bug Resolution for Android Apps,” in *Proceedings of the 46th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Software Engineering*, Doctoral Symposium Track, Lisbon, Portugal, Apr 2024, pp. 237-241. (57% acceptance rate)
- S4. [ICSE'23] Y. Song, **J. Mahmud**, N. D. Silva, Y. Zhou, O. Chaparro, K. Moran, A. Marcus, and D. Poshyvanyk, “BURT: A Chatbot for Interactive Bug Reporting,” in *Proceedings of the 45th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Software Engineering*, Formal Tool Demonstrations Track, Melbourne, Australia, May 2023, pp. 170-174. (48% acceptance rate)
- S3. [NLP4Prog'21] **J. Mahmud**, F. Faisal, R. I. Arnob, A. Anastasopoulos, and K. Moran, “Code to Comment Translation: A Comparative Study on Model Effectiveness & Errors,” in *Proceedings of the First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Programming*, Co-located with *ACL-IJCNLP'21*, Bangkok, Thailand, Aug 2021, pp. 1-16.
- S2. [MSR'21] T. Wendland, J. Sun, **J. Mahmud**, S. M. H. Mansur, S. Huang, K. Moran, J. Rubin and M. Fazzini, “AndroR2: A Dataset of Manually-Reproduced Bug Reports for Android Apps,” in *Proceedings of the 18th Conference on Mining Software Repositories*, Data showcase track, Madrid, Spain, May 2021, pp. 600-604.
- S1. [SAS'18] A. R. Chowdhury, **J. Mahmud**, A. R. M. Kamal, and M. A. Hamid, “MAES: Modified Advanced Encryption Standard for Resource Constraint Environments,” in *Proceedings of the 2018 IEEE Sensors Applications Symposium*, Seoul, Korea (South), Mar 2018, pp. 1-6.

*Top tier publications

- TALKS & FORMAL PRESENTATIONS**
- **Research Paper Presentation** - Software Engineering Seminar, University of Central Florida, Florida, USA Feb 10, 2025
 - “Combining Language and App UI Analysis for the Automated Assessment of Bug Reproduction Steps”
 - **Dissertation Proposal Presentation** - University of Central Florida, Florida, USA Dec 04, 2024
 - “Multimodal Learning for Automated Bug Report Management”
 - **Research Paper Presentation** - Software Engineering Seminar, University of Central Florida, Florida, USA Mar 27, 2024
 - “On Using GUI Interaction Data to Improve Text Retrieval-based Bug Localization”
 - **Research Paper Presentation** - Software Engineering Class (CEN 5016), University of Central Florida, Florida, USA Mar 7, 2024
 - “Code to Comment Translation: A Comparative Study on Model Effectiveness & Errors”
 - **Comprehensive Exam Presentation** - George Mason University, Virginia, USA Apr 29, 2022
 - “Automating Bug Report Management: A Survey”
 - **Invited Seminar Talk** - Microsoft Research, Virtual Apr 20, 2022
 - “Automated Software Documentation: A Brief Retrospective & Future Directions”
 - **Research Paper Presentation** - Proceedings of the 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22), Virtual (originally Honolulu, Hawaii) Mar 16, 2022
 - “An Empirical Investigation into the Use of Image Captioning for Automated Software Documentation”
 - **Research Paper Presentation** - Software Engineering Seminar, George Mason University, Virginia, USA Nov 11, 2021
 - “Code to Comment Translation: A Comparative Study on Model Effectiveness & Errors”
 - **Research Paper Presentation** - Proceedings of the First Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Programming (NLP4Prog’21), Co-located with ACL-IJCNLP’21, Virtual (originally Bangkok, Thailand) Aug 06, 2021
 - “Code to Comment Translation: A Comparative Study on Model Effectiveness & Errors”

- PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**
- External Reviewer**
- 47th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE’25)
 - 37th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE’22)
 - 29th IEEE International Conference on Software Analysis, Evolution and Reengineering (SANER’22)
 - 29th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Program Comprehension (ICPC’21)
 - 2021 Mining Software Repositories (MSR’21)

- TECHNICAL SKILLS**
- Programming Languages: Python, Java, C, C++, Swift, Objective C, Perl, Shell Scripting, Kotlin, JavaScript, R, MATLAB, PHP, HTML
 - Machine/Deep Learning Frameworks and Tools: LangChain, Pytorch, Tensorflow
 - Python Scientific Stack: Numpy, Pandas, Scipy, Jupyter
 - Version Control and Containerization: Git, GitHub, Docker
 - Software Development Frameworks and Tools: Visual Studio Code, Android Studio, Xcode, Spring, AngularJS, Hibernate, Bootstrap, NodeJS, Unity
 - Mobile Development Platforms: Android, iOS
 - Databases/SQL: Oracle, MySQL, PostgreSQL

SELECTED PROJECTS

Utilizing GUIs for Identifying Android Bugs in Code [Paper](#) [Code](#) [Dataset](#)

This project aims to identify bugs in code in Android platform utilizing information from graphical user interfaces (GUIs). We adapted two text-retrieval (TR)-based and two neural text embedding approaches. Our study outperformed existing approaches by a marked increase in Hits@10 of 13-18%.

Assessing the Quality of Bug Reproduction Steps [Code](#)

This project assesses the quality of the bug reproduction steps on Github by mapping information to GUIs. For analyzing bug reports and mapping steps to GUIs, we integrated GPT-4 using langchain framework. Our approach annotates bug reproduction steps 25.2% better (in terms of F1 score) than the state-of-the-art.

Evaluating Language Models for Code [Paper](#) [Code](#)

This project automatically generated comments from Java methods using language models. We quantitatively and qualitatively evaluated the limitations of existing machine translation metrics and proposed a taxonomy of errors.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Outstanding Graduate Creative Work Award Jan 2024
- Summer Research Initiation Award May 2020
- Professional level programmer at Samsung Electronics Jan 2018
- Icon of the month at Samsung R&D Institute Bangladesh Ltd. Apr 2018
- Received 4 years of OIC scholarship 2012
- Received 4 years of government scholarship for Higher Secondary Certificate result 2012

STUDENT MENTORSHIP

Undergraduate Mentees (via University of Central Florida's Software Engineering Project)

- Terry Achille, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
- Darren Basil, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
- Camilo Alvarez-Velez, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
- James Chen, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
- Patrick Ijeh, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
- Samar Karanch, University of Central Florida Fall 2024 – Spring 2025

High School Mentees (via George Mason University's Aspiring Scientists Summer Internship Program)

- Alyssa McGowan, Thomas Jefferson High School of Science & Technology Summer 2023

REFERENCES

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