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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Agentic AI system development, LLM evaluation and benchmarking, AI model reliability, retrieval-augmented scientific knowledge systems, and generative AI for molecular representation learning.

EDUCATION

- **North Carolina State University**, Raleigh, NC
– Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering (CGPA: 3.82/4.00) Aug 2022 – Jul 2027 (Expected)
Advisor: [Edgar Lobaton](#)
– M.S. in Electrical Engineering (CGPA: 3.80/4.00) Aug 2022 – May 2024
- **Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology**, Bangladesh
– B.Sc. in Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering (CGPA: 3.68/4.00) Jan 2016 – Mar 2021

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Machine Learning:** PyTorch, scikit-learn, HuggingFace Transformers, NumPy, Pandas; Variational Autoencoders, Transformer Architectures, Sequence Representation Learning, Model Training, Hyperparameter Tuning, Experiment Tracking, GPU/Distributed Training
- **LLM, Agentic AI, and Evaluation:** Agentic AI Workflows, Prompt Engineering, RAG, Embedding Models, Automated Report Generation, LLM-as-a-Judge Evaluation, Scientific Question Answering, AI Decision Support Systems
- **Molecular Machine Learning:** SMILES/SELFIES Modeling, Molecular Generation, Latent Space Exploration, Property Prediction, Novel Molecule Discovery, RDKit Validation and Featurization
- **Knowledge Graphs and Biomedical Data Systems:** Neo4j, Cypher, Biomedical Knowledge Graph Construction, Drug Repurposing Pipelines, Multi-Source Biomedical Data Integration, REST API-Based Data Enrichment, Entity Resolution, ChEMBL, PubChem, DrugBank, BindingDB, Open Targets, Therapeutic Target Database
- **Data and Screening Pipelines:** Dataset Cleaning and Canonicalization, Automated Filtering and Deduplication, Validity/Novelty Metrics, Candidate Ranking Workflows, Scientific RAG and Knowledge Systems
- **Software and MLOps:** Python, MATLAB, C/C++, Git/GitHub, Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, GCP, MLflow, JupyterHub, Linux, REST APIs, Streamlit

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Software Engineering Intern**, *Collaboration Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, Raleigh, NC May 2026 – Present
– Built a drug repurposing pipeline integrating drug, disease, and target-protein data from TTD, FDA and WHO clinical trials, Open Targets Platform, PubChem, ChEMBL, BindingDB, and related biomedical databases.
– Automated biomedical data enrichment, download, and verification workflows using REST APIs across multiple public drug discovery and cheminformatics resources.
– Cleaned, curated, and processed heterogeneous biomedical datasets to construct a Neo4j-based knowledge graph for downstream AI/ML modeling.
– Developed graph neural network models to prioritize approved-market drugs as potential repurposing candidates for target diseases.
– Built Streamlit-based tool for model interaction, result visualization, and internal project review; maintained codebase using GitHub/version control.
- **Graduate Research Assistant**, *ARoS Lab*, NC State University, Raleigh, NC May 2024 – May 2026
– Developed and trained multiple generative molecular models (LTVAE, TVAE, and TransVAE) for molecular representation learning and novel molecule discovery.
– Built automated molecular data curation and analysis pipelines: SMILES cleaning, canonicalization, invalid

removal, RDKit validation, latent-space traversal, SA scoring, and PCA-based chemical space analysis.

- Designed evaluation framework measuring reconstruction accuracy, chemical validity, novelty, and downstream property prediction performance.
- Deployed molecular inference API (SMILES $\rightarrow$ embeddings $\rightarrow$ predictions) using FastAPI and Docker on AWS.
- **Graduate Teaching Assistant (Deep Learning)**, [NC State University](#), Raleigh, NC *Jan 2024 – May 2024*
 - Supported 400+ students by administering course infrastructure: managed GitHub Classroom/Organization, maintained NSF-backed JupyterHub living in JetStream2 VM, assisted in assignment preparation, and developed an automated Discord chatbot for student support.
- **Electrification Research Intern**, [ABB Corporate Research](#), Raleigh, NC *May 2023 – Aug 2023*
 - Prototyped measurement and data-collection systems; delivered tested hardware + software for real-time monitoring.
 - Designed circuits/PCBs and validated performance using lab instrumentation and DAQ workflows.

PROJECTS

- **Knowledge Graph and GNN-Based Drug Repurposing Platform** *Internship Project*
 - Integrated multi-source biomedical data into a Neo4j knowledge graph connecting drugs, diseases, proteins, and therapeutic targets.
 - Automated REST API workflows for data enrichment, download, validation, and cross-source verification of biomedical entities.
 - Developed graph neural network pipeline to predict approved drugs with repurposing potential for disease-specific use cases.
 - Built Streamlit interface for querying model outputs, reviewing candidate drugs, and supporting sponsor-facing project updates.
- **Physics-Aware Synthetic Data and Scientific Knowledge Hub** *NSF Funded Research*
 - Built a Python pipeline generating synthetic phosphorus experiment datasets from user parameters.
 - Automated LLM report generation (multi-page technical summaries with tables) via API integration.
 - Designed a QA system combining RAG retrieval and physics-based feature extraction for reliable scientific question answering.
- **Cloud Deployment of Molecular Generative Model (AWS AppRunner)** *Course Project*
 - Containerized trained molecular model using Docker and deployed on AWS AppRunner.
 - Implemented inference service: SMILES $\rightarrow$ latent vectors, predicted properties, and 2D molecular structure output.
 - Exposed model inference via REST API and interactive Streamlit dashboard for real-time molecular analysis.
- **LTVAE: Hybrid LSTM–Transformer VAE for Molecular Representation Learning** *NSF Funded Research*
 - Designed BiLSTM encoder + VAE latent space + Transformer decoder trained on ZINC15 SMILES.
 - Achieved $\sim 99\%$ reconstruction accuracy and $\sim 98\%$ chemical validity on test molecules.
 - Generated synthesizable novel dyes with low synthetic accessibility scores for VOC sensing applications.
- **Self-Powered Motor Health Monitoring and Data Acquisition System** *ABB Corporate Research*
 - Designed current-transformer power supply harvesting energy from motor primary winding.
 - Delivered $\sim 5V$ regulated output powering monitoring electronics (~ 500 mW).
 - Integrated DAQ system for real-time RPM, voltage, current, and temperature monitoring.

PUBLICATIONS

- **M. H. Mondol**, Q. Wei, E. Lobaton, “LTVAE: Hybrid LSTM-Transformer VAE Architecture for Molecular SMILES Representation”, *Revision 3 Submitted, Journal of Computational Chemistry (Wiley)*, 2026.
- E. Lobaton, et al., **M. H. Mondol**, “AI as a Constrained Guide: Measuring Knowledge Transfer in a Graduate Engineering Course”, *Accepted, American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE)*, 2026.
- S. Jamalzadegan, A. Penumudy, B. Mativenga, **M. H. Mondol**, et al., “AI-Powered Colorimetric Sensing with LLMs”, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, 2025.