Mahdi Zaman

Summary

2 years of research experience in developing machine learning solutions for medical applications, **4 years** at the intersection of autonomous driving and collaborative perception. **Currently working** in predictive energy optimization.

Work Experience

Bloom Energy Data Scientist Intern	06/2025 – present
University of Central Florida Research Assistant	05/2023 - 05/2025
Ford Motor Company Research Intern	06/2020 - 08/2020
University of Central Florida Research Assistant	08/2018 - 05/2020

Education

University of Central Florida PhD, Computer Engineering	11/2025
University of Central Florida MS, Computer Engineering	04/2022
Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology BS, Electrical and Electronic Engineering	02/2017

Projects

WaveFormer: A 3D Transformer with Wavelet-driven feature representation for Efficient Medical Image Segmentation

- · developed a neuro-inspired transformer architecture for organ & tumor segmentation
- · improved performance on multiple medical benchmarks at 1/7th compute cost
- ablation studies confirm the benefits of the proposed learning paradigm

Automated Vehicle Marshaling System (ongoing, paper under review)

- · generated synthetic warehouse scenarios as testing grounds to assess communication QoS
- proposed novel application and medium access protocol to support remote driving under V2X coverage
- · incorporating protocol parameters to scale for high-throughput tele-operated driving in larger ground

Bandwidth-efficient Collaborative Vision Transformer (ongoing)

- working on channel-optimized feature generation under V2X coverage
- experimenting with novel feature fusion for stronger overall perception in multi-agent setting

Cooperative Steering Control for Autonomous Driving

- · introduced one of the earliest CNN-LSTM network for end-to-end AV control
- simulated look-ahead at ego vehicle in data-loader to emulate V2X-equipped behavior

Infrastructure-assisted Tolling

- · prototyped a V2I-based tolling service for tele-operated driving support
- enhanced LTE D2D medium access layer with multi-priority aperiodic packet handling

Scalability in Cellular-V2X

- enhanced transmission rate control that reduces latency by upto 25% in congested traffic
- · generated synthetic traffic scenarios on I-405 highway for scalability research
- · co-authored a congestion control algorithm for advanced safety services
- · applied for patent and proposed for 3GPP standardization

Dynamic-Object-Map-based Architecture for Cooperative Vehicle Safety Systems

- enabled centralized in-vehicle map to enhance autonomous navigation
- · laid out platform to build advanced vehicular safety protocols

Point-to-Point Driver Messenger System

- enabled arbitration in critical driving maneuver via local object map sharing
- · defined a scenario detection and target recognition module to notify driver intent

Publications &

- · Scalable Cellular-V2X Solution: Large-Scale Deployment Challenges of Connected Vehicle Safety Networks; Automotive Innovation; vol 7
- · Optimized Control-centric Communication in Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control Systems, IEEE VTC 2024
- · Predictive Model-based and Control-aware Communication Strategies for Cooperative Adaptive Cruise Control; IEEE 0J-ITS 2023
- · On Batching Acknowledgements in C-V2X Services; IEEE VTC 2023
- Addressing Rare Outages in CV2X with Time-controlled One-shot Resource Scheduling; TechRxiv 2023
- · Performance Analysis of V2I Zone Activation and Scalability for C-V2X Transactional Services; IEEE VTC 2022
- · Performance Analysis of Cellular-V2X with Adaptive and Selective Power Control; *IEEE CAVS 2020*
- · Controlling Steering Angle for Cooperative Self-driving Vehicles utilizing CNN and LSTM; IEEE IV Symposium 2019
- Connected and Autonomous Vehicles in the Deep Learning Era:; *IEEE IV Symposium 2019*
- · Dynamic Object Map based Architecture for Robust CVS Systems; SAE Technical Paper
- · Finite State Markov Modeling of C-V2X Erasure Links for Stability Analysis of Platooning Applications, *IEEE Syscon 2022*
- · A Maneuver-based Urban Driving Dataset and Model for Cooperative Vehicle Applications; IEEE CAVS 2020, Canada
- Connected Autonomous Vehicles in the Deep Learning Era: A case study on Computer-guided Steering; *Handbook of Pattern Recognition* and Computer Vision, 6th ed. p365-384; 2020

Patents

• One-shot Transmission for V2X Messaging 🖍 (under review)

Teaching Experience

Collaborative Perception | Invited talk, UCF 🖍

• presented current state-of-the-art on collaborative perception

Algorithms for Machine Learning | Instructor, UCF 🖍

- · designed course curriculum and evaluation strategies
- · lectured core-to-advanced ML topics to ~250 students
- · mentored in ideation and development of self-directed projects

Digital Systems and Computer Organization | Graduate Teaching Assistant, UCF

· instructed courses and projects on FPGA using Verilog and low-level assembly language

Skills

- · Programming: Python, C, C++
- · Frameworks: PyTorch, MONAI, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, NS3
- · Computation: MATLAB, Simulink
- · DevOps: Kubernetes, Bash scripting, Linux, Git