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AREAS OF INTEREST

Computational Linguistics, Natural language processing (NLP), Lexical Semantics, Emotions in Language, Affective Science, Sentiment Analysis, AI Ethics, Computational Creativity, NLP for Psychology, Computational Social Science, Information Visualization.

CURRENT POSITION

Principal Research Scientist, January 2024–present

Information and Communications Technologies, National Research Council Canada, Ottawa, Canada

PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Senior Research Scientist, October 2014–December 2023

Research Scientist, October 2009–September 2014

Institute of Information Technology, National Research Council Canada, Ottawa, Canada

Research Associate, January 2008–September 2009

Institute of Advanced Computer Studies, University of Maryland, College Park, USA

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, September 2003–February 2008

Department of Computer Science, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada

Master of Science, September 2001–August 2003

Department of Computer Science, University of Minnesota, Duluth, USA

Bachelor of Engineering, August 1996–May 2000

Department of Electronics Engineering, University of Pune, Pune, India

HIGHLIGHTS

- #Articles published 122; h-index: 60; #citations: 22,733 (~3.6K citations in 2023 alone)
- Best Paper Award – Honorable Mention. *Examining the Citational Amnesia in NLP*, ACL 2023.
- Best Paper Award. *AfriSenti: A Benchmark Twitter Sentiment Analysis for African Languages*, 4th AfricaNLP Workshop, ICLR 2023.
- Research Excellence Award, National Research Council Canada, 2022.
- Chair of the 2019 Canada–UK Symposium on Ethics in AI, Feb 21–22, Ottawa, Canada.
- Action Editor, Computational Linguistics: 2020–2023; Associate Editor, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research: 2023–2024; Action Editor, Inaugural Senior Action Editor, ACL Rolling Review 2022–2024; Action Editor, Transactions of ACL 2022–2024
- Senior Area Chair (SAC) for EMNLP 2023, Area Chair (AC) for EACL 2023, ACL 2022, EMNLP 2022, SAC for ACL 2021, AC for EMNLP 2020, ACL 2020, *Sem 2020, ACL 2019, EMNLP 2019, *Sem 2019, ACL 2017, EMNLP 2017, EMNLP 2016, and NAACL 2015 in

the broad areas of Sentiment Analysis, Opinion Mining, Argument Mining, Ethics, and Lexical Semantics. AC for the first Ethics, Bias and Fairness track at NAACL-2019.

- Workshops Chair for ACL 2020; Co-chair of SemEval-2019, SemEval 2018, and SemEval-2017. (SemEval is one of the largest NLP evaluation exercises with proceedings as large as that of top NLP conferences, and about 1000 participants each year.)
- Co-organizer of the 8th and 9th Workshops on Computational Approaches to Subjectivity, Sentiment and Social Media Analysis (WASSA-2017 and WASSA-2018).
- Organized international competitions on previously unexplored tasks such as the SemEval-2023 Task 12 (first NLP shared task on African languages), SemEval-2018 Task-1 (the first NLP shared task with a separate evaluation component on fairness and bias), and the SemEval-2016 Task-6 (First shared task on Detecting Stance from Tweets).
- Led the NRC-Canada team in developing a sentiment analysis system that ranked first in recent international shared tasks (among more than 40 submissions).
- Keynote speeches at:
 - 2022 Social NLP Workshop at ACL 2022, July 14, 2022, Seattle, USA.
 - 2019 Canada–UK Workshop on Practical AI Ethics, March 12, 2019, London, UK.
 - 6th evaluation campaign EVALITA 2018. December 12, 2018. Turin, Italy.
 - ACL 2018 Workshop on NLP for Social Media, Melbourne, Australia.
 - International Conference on Asian Language Processing (IALP 2016), Tainan, Taiwan.
 - the COLING 2016 workshop on Computational Modeling of People’s Opinions, Personality, and Emotions in Social Media (PEOPLES 2016), Osaka, Japan.
 - the 2016 IR Workshop at the Academia Sinica, November 24, 2016, Taipei, Taiwan
 - ACL 2014 Workshop on Computational Approaches to Subjectivity, Sentiment, and Social Media (WASSA)
- Featured speaker at the Distinguished Computational Linguistics Lecture at Rochester Institute of Technology. March 1, 2018. Rochester, NY.
- Presented tutorials at international NLP conferences on Sentiment and Emotion Analysis. A video of the EMNLP-2014 tutorial has received more than 23,000 views on YouTube. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zv16Xyph7Ss>)
- Work cited in several articles in the popular press, including articles in Time, Slashdot, LiveScience, io9, The Physics arXiv Blog, PC World, and Popular Science.
- Helped develop TransProse, a system for generating music that captures the emotions in a piece of literature. The system uses the NRC Emotion Lexicon.
 - A symphony orchestra performed music composed using TransProse and a human composer under the glass of the Louvre museum in Paris, September 20, 2016.
- An art project, the Wishing Wall, that uses the NRC Emotion lexicon was displayed in:
 - Tekniska Museet, Stockholm, Sweden (Oct 14 – Aug 15)

- Onassis Cultural Centre, Athens (19th Oct'15 – 10th Jan'16)
- Recognition: *Top Writer for Science on Medium*. November 2019. (One of 50 at the time. There were about 63K stories in the Science category on Medium at the time.)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Positions Held at International Conferences and Journals:

- 2024
 - Action Editor, Computational Linguistics (CL).
 - Action Editor, Transactions in ACL (TACL).
 - Associate Editor, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR).
 - Senior Action Editor, ACL Rolling Review.
 - Senior Area Chair for Resources and Evaluation, ACL 2024.
 - Senior Area Chair for Sentiment Analysis and Argument Mining, EMNLP 2024.
- 2023
 - Action Editor, Computational Linguistics (CL).
 - Action Editor, Transactions in ACL (TACL).
 - Associate Editor, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR).
 - Senior Action Editor, ACL Rolling Review.
 - Senior Area Chair for Sentiment Analysis and Argument Mining, EMNLP 2023.
 - Area Chair for Ethics and Sustainable NLP, EACL 2023.
- 2022
 - Action Editor, Computational Linguistics (CL).
 - Action Editor, Transactions in ACL (TACL).
 - Senior Action Editor, ACL Rolling Review.
 - Area Chair for Ethics and NLP, ACL 2022.
 - Area Chair for Open Questions, Major Obstacles, and Unresolved Issues in NLP, EMNLP 2022.
- 2021
 - Action Editor, Computational Linguistics.
 - Action Editor, ACL Rolling Review.
 - Senior Area Chair for Sentiment Analysis, Stylistic Analysis, and Argument Mining, ACL 2021.
- 2020

- Action Editor, Computational Linguistics.
- Senior Area Chair for Sentiment Analysis, Stylistic Analysis, and Argument Mining, EMNLP 2020.
- Area Chair for Sentiment Analysis, Stylistic Analysis, and Argument Mining, StarSem 2020, Barcelona, Spain.
- Area chair for Lexical Semantics, ACL 2020.
- Workshops Chair ACL 2020.
- 2019
 - Chair of the 2019 Canada–UK Symposium on Ethics in AI, Ottawa, Canada.
 - Co-chair of SemEval 2019, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA.
 - Area chair for Sentiment Analysis and Argumentation Mining, EMNLP-IJCNLP 2019, Hong Kong.
 - Area chair for Sentiment Analysis and Argumentation Mining, ACL 2019, Florence, Italy.
 - Area chair for Ethics, Bias and Fairness, NAACL 2019, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA.
 - Area chair for Semantics in NLP Applications, *Sem 2019, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA. Mentor, Student Research Workshop, ACL 2019, Florence, Italy.
 - Mentor, Student Research Workshop, NAACL 2019, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA.
- 2018
 - Co-chair of SemEval 2018, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
 - Co-organizer of WASSA 2018, Brussels, Belgium.
 - Mentor, Student Research Workshop, NAACL 2018, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
 - Mentor, Student Research Workshop, ACL 2018, Melbourne, Australia.
- 2017
 - Co-chair of SemEval 2017, Vancouver, Canada.
 - Co-organizer of WASSA 2018, Copenhagen, Denmark.
 - Area chair for Sentiment and Opinion Mining, ACL 2017, Vancouver, Canada.
 - Area chair for Sentiment and Opinion Mining, EMNLP 2017, Copenhagen, Denmark.
 - Mentor, Student Research Workshop, ACL 2017, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2016
 - Area chair for Sentiment and Opinion Mining, EMNLP 2016, Austin, Texas, USA.
 - Publicity chair, EMNLP 2016, Austin, Texas, USA.
- 2015
 - Area chair for Sentiment and Opinion Mining, NAACL 2015, Denver, Colorado.
 - Publicity chair, NAACL 2015, Denver, Colorado.

- Mentor, Student Research Workshop, NAACL 2015, Denver, Colorado.
- 2014, 2012, 2011
 - Mentor, Student Research Workshops, ACL 2014, NAACL 2012, ACL 2011.
- Most years 2008–present
 - Program committee member for top NLP journals and conferences, including TACL, ACL, NAACL, EMNLP, CL, CI, NLE, JAIR, TSLP, IJCNLP, ICWSM, and IJCAI.

Tutorials Presented at International Conferences:

- Computational Analysis of Affect and Emotion in Language. Saif M. Mohammad and Cecilia Ovesdotter Alm. Tutorial at the 2015 Conference on Empirical Methods on Natural Language Processing, September 2015, Lisboa, Portugal.
- Sentiment Analysis of Social Media Texts. Saif M. Mohammad and Xiaodan Zhu. Tutorial at the 2014 Conference on Empirical Methods on Natural Language Processing, October 2014, Doha, Qatar.

Organization of Shared Task Competitions

1. Co-organizer of SemEval-2024 Task 1: Semantic Textual Relatedness for African and Asian Languages. 51 teams and about 163 participants.
2. Co-organizer of SemEval-2023 Task 12: Sentiment Analysis for African Languages.
3. Co-organizer of SemEval-2018 Task 1: Affect in Tweets. 75 teams and about 200 participants.
4. Co-organizer of WASSA-2018 Implicit Emotions Shared Task.
5. Co-organizer of shared task on detecting emotion intensity at WASSA-2017.
6. Co-organizer of Semeval-2016 Task 6: Detecting Stance in Tweets.
7. Co-organizer of Semeval-2016 Task 7: Determining Sentiment Intensity of English and Arabic Phrases.
8. Co-organizer of SemEval-2015 Task 10: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter.
9. Co-organizer of SemEval-2012 Task 2: Measuring Degrees of Relational Similarity.

Submissions to Shared Task Competitions

1. AMIA Shared Task on detecting adverse drug reactions in tweets, Washington, DC, USA, 2017.
Task: Classification of tweets mentioning adverse drug reactions.
Team: Svetlana Kiritchenko, Saif M. Mohammad, Jason Morin, and Berry de Bruijn.
Result: Placed **first**. (9 teams participated.)

2. SemEval-2014 Task 4: Aspect Based Sentiment Analysis, August 2014, Dublin, Ireland.
Task: Determine sentiment towards aspect terms and aspect categories.
Team: NRC-Canada: Saif Mohammad, Svetlana Kiritchenko, and Xiaodan Zhu.
Result: Placed **first** in two of the three sentiment tasks. (30+ teams participated.)
3. SemEval-2014 Task 9: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter, August 2014, Dublin, Ireland.
Task: Determine sentiment of tweets, SMS messages, and blog posts.
Team: NRC-Canada: Saif Mohammad, Svetlana Kiritchenko, and Xiaodan Zhu.
Result: Placed **first** in five of ten sub-tasks. (40+ teams participated.)
4. SemEval-2013 Task 2: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter, June 2013, Atlanta, USA.
Task: Determine sentiment of tweets and SMS messages.
Team: NRC-Canada: Saif Mohammad, Svetlana Kiritchenko, and Xiaodan Zhu.
Result: Placed **first** in three of four sub-tasks. (40+ teams participated.)
5. Automatic Content Extraction Evaluation (ACE-08), September 2008, Baltimore, MD.
Task: Multidocument coreference resolution.
Team: Johns Hopkins HLT/COE team.
Result: Placed **third** (behind IBM and BBN Technologies).

Information Visualization and Data Sonification Demos

1. Citational Amnesia: An Online Demo that Shows Information about the Age Diversity of Citations of a Paper
<https://huggingface.co/spaces/mrungta8/CitationalAmnesia/>
2. *NLP Scholar*: An Interactive Visualization to Explore NLP Papers
<http://saifmohammad.com/WebPages/nlp-scholar-demo-basic.html>
 A visual explorer to help users find related work and explore broad patterns in citations.
3. *TransProse: Converting Text to Music*. Hannah Davis and Saif M. Mohammad.
<http://www.musicfromtext.com>
 A system that takes as input classic English novels and generates music that captures the flow of emotions in it.
4. *Imagisaurus: An Interactive Visualization of the Roget's Thesaurus*
<http://www.saifmohammad.com/WebPages/imagisaurus.html>
 Imagisaurus helps users quickly grasp the nature and size of the thesaurus taxonomy. Additionally, Imagisaurus allows exploration of affectual categories in the thesaurus.
5. *Lexichrome: An Interactive Word-Color Catalogue for Scholars, Designers, and Writers*. Chris Kim, Saif M. Mohammad, and Christopher Colins.
<http://www.lexichrome.com/#palette>
 Lexichrome is an application that maps the NRC Word-Colour Association Lexicon to a web-based catalogue that users can browse and analyze. It allows visitors to view the chromatic makeup (color associations) of a user-provided text.

6. *An Interactive Visualizer for the NRC Emotion Lexicon*
<http://www.saifmohammad.com/WebPages/NRC-Emotion-Lexicon.htm>
 The NRC Emotion Lexicon is a list of English words and their associations with eight basic emotions (anger, fear, anticipation, trust, surprise, sadness, joy, and disgust) and two sentiments (negative and positive). The annotations were manually done by crowdsourcing.
7. *An Interactive Visualizer for Sentiment Composition Lexicons*
<http://www.saifmohammad.com/WebPages/SCL.html>
 Sentiment composition is the determining of sentiment of a multi-word linguistic unit, such as a phrase or a sentence, based on its constituents. We present two visualizations: (1) exploring sentiment composition in phrases formed by at least one positive and at least one negative word—phrases like happy accident and best winter break, and (2) exploring sentiment composition in phrases formed with negators, modals, and degree adverbs.
8. *An Interactive Visualizer for the Stance Dataset*
<http://www.saifmohammad.com/WebPages/StanceDataset.htm>
 We visualize a dataset of tweets manually annotated for stance towards given target, target of opinion (opinion towards), and sentiment (polarity).

INVITED TALKS

1. We are Who We Cite: Bridges of Influence Between Natural Language Processing and Other Academic Fields. Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Nov 18, 2023.
2. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, May 8, 2023.
3. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. University of Gottingen, Dec 14, 2022.
4. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Keynote talk at the Emotion Workshop, University of Ghent, Dec 1, 2022.
5. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. The Statistical Society of Canada (SSC), Webinar, Sep 4, 2022.
6. Ethics Sheets for Social NLP. The 2022 Social NLP Workshop at ACL 2022, July 14, 2022, Seattle, USA.
7. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Defence Research and Development Canada, Toronto Research Centre, April 21, 2022, Toronto, Canada.
8. The Search for Emotions in Language. Carolina Affective Science Lab. University of North Carolina. Feb 21, 2022.
9. Emotions in Text: The Power and Versatility of Large Emotion Lexicons. Canadian Digital Services. January 13, 2022.

10. Judging AI: How to Develop a Healthy Mistrust of AI. The Canadian Appellate Courts Seminar, Halifax, Canada. Nov 25, 2021.
11. Ethics Sheets for AI Tasks and a Case Study for Automatic Emotion Recognition. The University of British Columbia Language Sciences Talks, Vancouver, Canada. July 15, 2021.
12. Emotion Dynamics of Fictional Characters using Large Emotion Lexicons. The 17th IGEL Conference. June 23, 2021.
13. Ethics Sheets for AI Tasks and a Case Study for Automatic Emotion Recognition. The Alan Turing Institute, London, UK. May, 2021.
14. Gender Gap in Natural Language Processing Research: Disparities in Authorship and Citations. Department of Computer Science, University of Sheffield. October 2020. Sheffield, UK.
15. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Data Systems Seminar Series, University of Waterloo, October 28 2019, Waterloo, Canada.
16. Fairness and Emotions in Language. The Globe and Mail. October 29, 2019, Toronto, Canada.
17. Creativity and Emotions in Language. Invited talk and panel on AI and Creativity in Government at the Creative Marketplace Lab on Data, Skills and Technology, Department of Canadian Heritage, September 30 2019, Gatineau, Canada.
18. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Mila - Quebec AI Institute, August 2019, Montreal, Canada.
19. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Keynote speech at the 8th KDD Workshop on Issues of Sentiment Discovery and Opinion Mining (WISDOM-2019), August 2019, Anchorage, Alaska.
20. Examining Fairness in Language Through Emotions. **Keynote speech** at the 2019 Canada–UK Workshop on Practical AI Ethics, March 12, 2019, London, UK.
21. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. The Alan Turing Institute. March 11, 2019. London, UK.
22. Examining Fairness in Language Through Emotions. The 2019 Canada–UK Symposium on Ethics in AI, Feb 21, 2019, Ottawa, Canada.
23. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. **Keynote speech** at the 6th evaluation campaign EVALITA 2018. December 12, 2018. Turin, Italy.
24. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Department of Computational Linguistics, Heidelberg University. December 13, 2018. Heidelberg, Germany.
25. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Invited Speaker Series. Pickering Centre for Human Development, Carleton University. November 16, 2018. Ottawa, Canada.
26. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Short talk to 9th graders on the occasion of Bring-Your-Ninth-Grader-to-Work Day at the National Research Council Canada. November 14, 2018. Ottawa, Canada.

27. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. At the Natural Language Processing Seminar and AI Seminar, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. October 2, 2018. Ann Arbor, Michigan.
28. The Search for Emotions, Creativity, and Fairness in Language. Department of Computer Science, University of Utah. August 6, 2018. Salt Lake City, Utah.
29. The Search for Emotions in Language. **Keynote speech** at the ACL-2018 Workshop on Natural Language Processing for Social Media, July 2018, Melbourne, Australia.
30. The Search for Emotions in Language. The University of Melbourne, July 2018, Melbourne, Australia.
31. The Search for Emotions in Language. The University of Waikato, July 2018, Hamilton, New Zealand.
32. Examining Gender and Race Bias in Two Hundred Sentiment Analysis Systems. Second ACL Workshop on Ethics in Natural Language Processing, New Orleans, LA, USA, June 2018.
33. The Search for Emotions in Language. Google Research. May 25, 2018. Montreal, Canada.
34. The Search for Emotions in Language. **Featured speaker** at the Distinguished Computational Linguistics Lecture at Rochester Institute of Technology. March 1, 2018. Rochester, NY.
35. The Search for Emotions in Language. University of Toronto. Feb 27, 2018. Toronto, Canada.
36. Finding Emotions in Language. Information Systems Sprott School of Business, Carleton University. November 13, 2017. Ottawa, Canada.
37. Emotion-Aware Machines. Short talk to 9th graders on the occasion of Bring-Your-Ninth-Grader-to-Work Day at the National Research Council Canada. November 1, 2017. Ottawa, Canada.
38. Affect Associations in Creative Language. Seminar Series for the Doctorate in Cognitive Informatics at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), April 13, 2017, Montreal, Canada.
39. Affect Associations in Creative Language. **Keynote speech** at the COLING 2016 workshop on Computational Modeling of People's Opinions, Personality, and Emotions in Social Media (PEOPLES 2016), December 12, 2016, Osaka, Japan.
40. Affect Associations: The Building Blocks of Sentiment Analysis. **Keynote speech** at the 20th International Conference on Asian Language Processing (IALP 2016), November 21-23, 2016, National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Taiwan.
41. Affect Associations in Creative Language. **Keynote speech** at the 2016 IR Workshop at the Academia Sinica, November 24, 2016, Taipei, Taiwan.
42. Capturing Reliable Fine-Grained Sentiment Associations by Crowdsourcing and Best-Worst Scaling. Invited talk at the TAMALE seminar series, September 15, 2016, University of Ottawa. (Joint work with, and talk given by, Svetlana Kiritchenko.)
43. Metaphor as a Medium for Emotion: An Empirical Study. Invited talk at the TAMALE seminar series, September 15, 2016, University of Ottawa. (Joint work with Ekaterina Shutova and Peter Turney.)
44. Sentiment and Emotions in Tweets. Department of Geography and Geoinformation Science at George Mason University. May 29, 2016, Fairfax, Virginia.

45. The Words are Alive: Associations with Sentiment, Emotions, Colours, and Music. Language Technology Institute, Carnegie Mellon University, September 2014, Pittsburgh, PA.
46. Words: Evaluative, Emotional, Colourful, Musical! **Keynote speech** at the ACL 2014 Workshop on Computational Approaches to Subjectivity, Sentiment, and Social Media (WASSA), June 2014, Baltimore, MD.
47. Crowdsourcing Word-Emotion Associations. October 2013, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.
48. Sentiment Analysis with Social Media Text. June 2013, MediaMiser, Ottawa, Canada.
49. Sentiment Analysis with Social Media Text. June 2013, Thales, Ottawa, Canada.
50. Analyzing Electoral Tweets for Affect, Style, and Purpose. April 2013, University of Ottawa.
51. From Once Upon a Time to Happily Ever After: Tracking Emotions in Books and Mail. July 2011: Digital Books and Social Media groups, Amazon Research, Seattle, OR, USA.
52. From Once Upon a Time to Happily Ever After: Tracking Emotions in Books and Mail. June 2011: Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC) workshop, Ottawa, Canada.
53. Crowdsourcing the creation of an emotion lexicon. August 2010: Microsoft Research, Bangalore, India.
54. Crowdsourcing the creation of an emotion lexicon. August 2010: IBM Research, Bangalore, India.
55. Crowdsourcing the creation of an emotion lexicon. July 2010: Department of Computational Linguistics at the University of Heidelberg and the NLP group from HITS gGmbH, Heidelberg, Germany.
56. Crowdsourcing the creation of an emotion lexicon. July 2010: Department of Computer Science, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany.
57. Hybrid approaches to semantic closeness and oppositeness. June 2009: The Text Analysis and Machine Learning Group, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada.
58. Hybrid approaches to semantic closeness and oppositeness. June 2009: National Research Council - The Institute for Information Technology (NRC-IIT), Ottawa, Canada.
59. Hybrid approaches to semantic closeness and semantic oppositeness. October 2008: Text Mining Sciences, Yahoo! Research, Santa Clara, CA.
60. Hybrid approaches to semantic closeness and semantic oppositeness. October 2008: Human Language Technology Research Institute, University of Texas at Dallas, Dallas, TX.
61. Hybrid approaches to semantic closeness and semantic oppositeness. October 2008: University of North Texas, Dallas, TX.
62. Determining Degree of Antonymy: Step 1 for Detecting Erroneous Coreference Links by Contradiction. March 2008. *Human Language Technology Center of Excellence (HLT/COE) Quarterly Technical Exchange*, Johns Hopkins HLT/COE, Baltimore, MD.

PUBLICATIONS

Summary

h-index: 60

Number of publications: 122

Number of citations received: 22,733 (~3.6K citations in 2023 alone)

Google Scholar Profile: <http://www.purl.org/net/googlescholar>

Book Chapters

1. Saif M. Mohammad. 2020. Sentiment Analysis: Automatically Detecting Valence, Emotions, and Other Affectual States from Text. Book chapter in *The 2nd Edition of Emotion Measurement*, Elsevier.
2. Saif M. Mohammad. 2016. Challenges in Sentiment Analysis. Book chapter in *A Practical Guide to Sentiment Analysis*, Springer.
3. Saif M. Mohammad. 2016. Sentiment Analysis: Detecting Valence, Emotions, and Other Affectual States from Text. Book chapter in *Emotion Measurement*, Elsevier.
4. Graeme Hirst and Saif M. Mohammad. 2009. Semantic distance measures with distributional profiles of coarse-grained concepts. Book chapter in *Modeling, Learning and Processing of Text Technological Data Structures*, Editors Alexander Mehler, Kai-Uwe Kühnberger, Henning Lobin, Harald Lungen, Angelika Storrer, and Andreas Witt. Springer.

Refereed Journal Articles

1. Saif M. Mohammad. Ethics Sheet for Automatic Emotion Recognition and Sentiment Analysis. *Computational Linguistics*, 48 (2): 239–278. June 2022.
2. Will E. Hipson, Svetlana Kiritchenko, Robert J. Coplan, Saif M. Mohammad. Examining the Language of Solitude vs. Loneliness in Tweets. *Journal of Social and Personal Relationships*. March 2021.
3. Felipe Bravo-Marquez, Eibe Frank, Bernhard Pfahringer, Saif M. Mohammad. 2019. AffectiveTweets: a Weka Package for Analyzing Affect in Tweets. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 20(92):1–6.
4. Peter D. Turney and Saif M. Mohammad. 2019. The Natural Selection of Words: Finding the Features of Fitness. *PLoS One*, 14 (1):e0211512.
5. Abeed Sarker, Maksim Belusov, Jasper Friedrichs, Kai Hakala, Sifei Han, Svetlana Kiritchenko, Farrokh Mehryary, Anthony Rios, Tung Tran, Berry de Bruijn, Filip Ginter, Ramakanth Kavuluru, Debanjan Mahata, Saif M. Mohammad, Goran Nenadic, Graciela Gonzalez-Hernandez. 2018. Data and systems for medication-related text classification and concept normalization from Twitter: Insights from the Social Media Mining for Health (SMM4H)-2017 shared task. *Journal of the American Medical Informatics Association (JAMIA)*. 25(10), 1274–1283.

6. Saif M. Mohammad, Parinaz Sobhani, and Svetlana Kiritchenko. 2017. Stance and Sentiment in Tweets. *Special Section of the ACM Transactions on Internet Technology on Argumentation in Social Media*, 17(3).
7. Preslav Nakov, Sara Rosenthal, Svetlana Kiritchenko, Saif M. Mohammad, Zornitsa Kozareva, Alan Ritter, Veselin Stoyanov, and Xiaodan Zhu. 2016. Developing a Successful SemEval Task in Sentiment Analysis of Twitter and Other Social Media Texts. *Language Resources and Evaluation*. 50(1):1–31.
8. Saif M. Mohammad, Mohammad Salameh, and Svetlana Kiritchenko. 2016. How Translation Alters Sentiment. *Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research*, Volume 55, pages 95–130.
9. Peter D. Turney and Saif M. Mohammad. 2015. Experiments with Three Approaches to Recognizing Lexical Entailment. *Natural Language Engineering*, 21(3):437–476.
10. Saif M. Mohammad, Svetlana Kiritchenko, Xiaodan Zhu, and Joel Martin. 2015. Sentiment, Emotion, Purpose, and Style in Electoral Tweets. *Information Processing and Management*, Volume 51, Issue 4, Pages 480–499.
11. Saif M. Mohammad and Svetlana Kiritchenko. 2015. Using Hashtags to Capture Fine Emotion Categories from Tweets. *Computational Intelligence*, 31(2):301–326.
12. Svetlana Kiritchenko, Xiaodan Zhu and Saif M. Mohammad. 2014. Sentiment Analysis of Short Informal Texts. *Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research*, volume 50, pages 723–762.
13. Saif M. Mohammad, Bonnie Dorr, Graeme Hirst, and Peter Turney. 2013. Computing Lexical Contrast. *Computational Linguistics*, 39(3), 555–590.
14. Saif M. Mohammad and Peter Turney. 2013. Crowdsourcing a Word–Emotion Association Lexicon. *Computational Intelligence*, 29(3), 436–465.
15. Vahed Qazvinian, Dragomir R. Radev, Saif M. Mohammad, Bonnie Dorr, David Zajic, Michael Whidby, and Taesun Moon. 2013. Generating Extractive Summaries of Scientific Paradigms. *Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR)*, 46, pages 165–201.
16. Colin Cherry, Saif M. Mohammad, and Berry de Bruijn. 2012. Binary Classifiers and Latent Sequence Models for Emotion Detection in Suicide Notes. *Journal of Biomedical Informatics Insights*, 5:147–154.
17. Saif M. Mohammad. 2012. From Once Upon a Time to Happily Ever After: Tracking Emotions in Mail and Books. *Decision Support Systems*, 53(4):730–741.

Refereed Conference Papers

1. We are Who We Cite: Bridges of Influence Between Natural Language Processing and Other Academic Fields. Jan Philip Wahle, Terry Ruas, Mohamed Abdalla, Bela Gipp, and Saif M. Mohammad. In Proceedings of the Empirical Methods on Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2023, Main), December 2023, Singapore.

2. A Diachronic Analysis of Paradigm Shifts in NLP Research: When, How, and Why? Aniket Pramanick, Yufang Hou, Saif M. Mohammad, Iryna Gurevych. In Proceedings of the Empirical Methods on Natural Language Processing (EMNLP 2023, Main), December 2023, Singapore.
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DATASETS CREATED

Manually Labeled Datasets

Year	Project	# Datasets
2023	A Twitter Sentiment Analysis Benchmark for African Languages	14
2023	BIG-Bench: Beyond the Imitation Game Benchmark Dataset for over 200 Tasks	1
2021	Reddit comments annotated for degree of supportiveness and offensiveness	1
2018	Art annotated for emotion, likability, and more	3
2018	SemEval-2018 Task 1: Affect in Tweets Data (5 tasks, 3 languages, 5 affect dim.)	31
2018	Equity Evaluation Corpus (for Gender and Race Bias)	2
2018	Assertions in Controversial Issues	2
2018	Valence, Arousal, and Dominance Lexicon	3
2018	Word Affect Intensities Lexicon	8
2017	Emotion Intensities in Tweets Dataset	4
2016	Stance through Tweets Dataset	2
2016	Metaphor as a Medium for Emotion Dataset	2
2016	2016 Task 7: Sentiment Intensity of English and Arabic Phrases	2
2016	Arabic Sentiment Lexicons	3
2016	Sentiment Composition Lexicon of Negators, Modals, and Adverbs	1
2016	Sentiment Composition Lexicon of Opposing Polarity Phrases	1
2015	SemEval-2015 Task 10: Sentiment Analysis in Twitter	5
2015	Sentiment in Arabic BBN Blog Posts and Syrian Tweets	2
2015	SemEval-2015 English Twitter Sentiment Lexicon	1
2014	Electoral Tweets Dataset	4
2012	Word–Word Relational Similarity Dataset	1
2010	NRC Emotion Lexicon	10
2010	Word–Color Association Lexicon	1
Total		104

Automatically Compiled Datasets

Year	Project	# Datasets
2023	A Dataset of ~2.5B Citations from and to NLP Papers	1
2023	A dataset of 70K NLP Papers and their Citation Networks Over Time	1
2022	D3: A Dataset of Metadata for ~81M Computer Science Research Papers	1
2020	Tweets from Canadian and US Cities during the 2020 Pandemic	2
2020	PoKi: A Dataset of 72K Poems Written by Children	1
2020	SOLO: A Dataset of tweets that mention solitude and loneliness	1
2020	NLP Scholar: A dataset of 50K NLP papers and their citations	1
2020	WordWars: A Dataset to Examine the Natural Selection of Words	1
2019	HitchBot: A Dataset of Tweets mentioning the Canadian hitchhiking robot	1
2015	Tweets with emotion word hashtags	1
2013	NRC Hashtag Emotion Lexicon	1
2013	NRC Hashtag Sentiment Lexicons	3
2013	Sentiment140 Regular, Affirmative Context, and Negated Context Lexicons	3
2013	Yelp and Amazon Sentiment Lexica	2
2013	Lexical Contrast Datasets	4
2012	#Emotional Tweets	8
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NOTABLE PRESS MENTIONS

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