IMRAN NAWAR

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science   **Sept 2020 - July 2024**
Islamia College University, Peshawar (Pakistan)   CGPA: 3.78/4.00
- Undergraduate student supervised by Dr. Muhammad Sajjad
- Final year thesis: Deep Learning assisted Autonomous Navigation over Economical Hardware
- Relevant Courses: Artificial Intelligence, Artificial Neural Networks, Digital Image Processing

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Computer Vision and Autonomous Systems: Scene Understanding and Autonomous Navigation
- Machine Learning and Deep Learning: Algorithmic optimization and real-time performance

EXPERIENCE

Digital Image Processing Lab (DIP Lab)   **July 2024 - present**
Research Assitant   Peshawar, Pakistan
- Major reseach topics: Autonomous Navigation, Object Detection, Image Segementation, IoT
- Worked on research for democratization of autonomous driving research
- Researching and developing NeuroShield-IoE, a quantum-resilient cybersecurity framework for Internet of Energy infrastructure, focusing on cognitive self-evolving protection systems.
- Act as Teaching assistant for Data Visualization (DSC 635) , Digital Image Processing (COMP416), Information Retrieval (COMP423), Advanced Programming (COMP327) courses

Corvit Systems   **Jan 2025 - Mar 2025, May 2025 - Present**
Course Instructor   Islamabad, Pakistan
- Instructor for "Artificial Intelligence (Machine Learning & Deep Learning)" course in collaboration with the National Vocational & Technical Training Commission (NAVTTC) [Jan 2025 - Mar 2025]
- Teaching "HCCDA-AI: Huawei Cloud Certified Developer Associate - Artificial Intelligence" certification course on weekends [May 2025 - Present]

Digital Image Processing Lab (DIP Lab)   **Nov 2023 - June 2024**
Undergraduate Student Researcher   Peshawar, Pakistan
- Worked on Autonomous Driving Project for BS thesis.
- Designed and developed an autonomous navigation prototype on economical hardware (Jetson Nano). Built a platform from scratch, integrating hardware components, optimizing pretrained deep learning models for object detection and road segmentation, and implementing a control module for obstacle avoidance using a single camera.
- Developed an RFID-based door lock system using Arduino microcontroller.

PROJECTS

DIPCar: Autonomous Navigation over Economical Hardware   **Mar 2024 - Oct 2024**
Tools: Jetson Nano, SSD MobileNet, FCN ResNet34, TensorRT
- Developed a practical framework for deep learning based autonomous navigation on economical hardware
- Implemented deep learning models for object detection and road segmentation, achieving competitive performance within strict resource constraint

Facial Emotion Recognition: FER through clip encoder   **Aug 2024 - Oct 2024**
Tools: CLIP model, Streamlit, PyTorch
- Facial emotion recognition through clip encoder (openai/clip-vit-base-patch32)
- Developed a real-time facial emotion recognition app using Streamlit, integrating fine-tuned openai/clip-vit-base-patch32 with 9 FPS inference.

Youtube Video Transcript Summarizer   **June 2024**
Tools: gemini-api, streamlit, youtube-transcript-api, python
- Developed a Streamlit app to summarize YouTube video transcripts using Googles Gemini API.
- Deployed to share.streamlit.io

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, HTML/CSS

Frameworks & Libraries: PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Hugging Face, Ultralytics, TensorRT, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn, OpenCV, Streamlit, Jetson-Inference

Tools: VS Code, Git, GitHub, Jupyter, Kaggle, Google Colab, Vercel, Netlify, Linux, Roboflow, Draw.io, MS Office, Markdown, LaTeX

Core Skills: Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Neural Networks, Data Visualization, Data Structures & Algorithms, Technical Writing, Presentation Skills

HONOURS AND AWARDS

- **Secured Third Position** in class with a 3.78 CGPA   *2024*
- **Achieved 4.00/4.00 GPA** in the Final Semester (Spring 2024)   *2024*
- **Final Year Project Funded** by Ignite NGIRI (PKR 88,644 grant)   *2024*
- **Awarded a laptop** under the Prime Minister's Youth Laptop Scheme   *2024*

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

- **Financial Coordinator,** DIP Lab   *Aug 2024 - Present*
    ◦ Manage lab finances, including budgeting and expense tracking.
- **Mentor,** DIP Lab   *2024*
    ◦ Guided undergraduate students in foundational computer vision concepts and research implementation.

CERTIFICATIONS

- Neural Networks and Deep Learning   *Coursera - Mar 2025*
- Mathematics for Machine Learning: Linear Algebra   *Coursera - Jan 2025*
- Getting Started with AI on Jetson Nano   *NVIDIA - Sep 2024*
- Machine Learning Specialization   *Coursera - April 2024*
- Fundamentals of Digital Image and Video Processing   *Coursera - Feb 2024*
- Matrix Algebra for Engineers   *Coursera - Dec 2023*
- Python for Data Science, AI & Development   *Coursera - Nov 2023*
- Meta Front-End Developer Specialization   *Coursera - Jul 2023*
- Introduction to Python   *Datacamp - Oct 2022*

OTHER INTERESTS

- Reading, Interesting topic discussions, Fitness, Cricket, Table Tennis, Traveling, Hiking

REFERENCES

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