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Portfolio Links

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WEBSITE: https://lara-portfolio.github.io

SCHOLAR: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=YrH5p9gAAAAJ&hl=en&authuser=1

Education

• 3.67/4, **Bachelor of Science**, Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University (PMU) 2020-2024

o Double Major in Software Engineering and Computer Engineering

ABET Accredited Program

o Dean's Honor List Student

91.88/100, **American High School Diploma**, Saad National School for Girls 2018-2020

Experience

January 2023 - October 2023: Part-Time Research Assistant, Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University

June 2022 - August 2022: **Robotics Engineer Intern**, Robotics Lab at Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University.

June 2023 - August 2023: Data Scientist Intern, Saudi Aramco

Skills/Tools

Web Development Flask, HTML, JS, jQuery, CSS, ASP.NET

Artificial Intelligence PyTorch, Sklearn, Pandas, NumPy, Tensorflow, Prompt Engineering

Languages Java, Python, JavaScript, C#

3D Modeling TinkerCad, AutoCad Fusion360

Electronics and Robotics Arduino, Raspberry Pi, ROS2

Productivity Tools Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Overleaf

Relevant Projects

• DASH, Quadruped Robot Development Kit

- Led 3D modeling, printing, and assembly processes for precise hardware integration.
- Integrated Robotics Operating System 2 (ROS2) for core functionalities, including gesture control and person following.
- Implemented vision-based systems with a camera and touchscreen UI for enhanced interaction.
- Developed a custom mobile app enabling remote control and seamless user interaction.
- Focused on kinematic modeling and motor control for stable and dynamic movement.

Voice-Controlled Robotic Vehicle (VCRV)

- o to enhance mobility for individuals with disabilities.
- Utilized ESP8266 NodeMCU 1.0 microcontroller for central control and WiFi-enabled communication.
- Integrated voice recognition module for precise execution of voice commands.
- Implemented ultrasonic sensor for accurate obstacle detection and avoidance.
- Designed a user-friendly GUI to facilitate easy interaction with the vehicle.

• Achieved real-time responsiveness and minimal latency in command execution.

• Classification of Potholes using Instance Segmentation Methods and Decision Trees

- Images depicting potholes were collected (17400 images). An Instance Segmentation model was trained (YoloV8).
- Structural features such as pothole area, height and width were extracted from the segmented images.
- A decision tree classifier is trained on the extracted features; highest accuracy yielded was 98.9%.

Arabic Offense Text Identification and Classification

- o Evaluate Bag-of-Words (BoW), TF-IDF, custom embeddings, and pretrained embeddings
- Highest accuracy of 89.23% achieved with Random Forest on 3 classes
- Reduction of classes from 5 to 3 improved model performance
- Random Forest consistently performed well, with competitive results from Logistic Regression and SVM

• Traffic Detection

- Yolov8n model was employed for the project's training phase
- Execution of training was carried out on Kaggle, utilizing the T4 GPU
- Model demonstrated good performance, especially on vehicle classes (Bus, Car, Bicycle, Motorbike) in terms of precision, recall, and F1 score
- It yielded a mean average precision of 83.5%, precision of 85.4%, and recall of 75.3%.

Haptic VR glove for Unity using Arduino

- A glove was constructed using IMUs and flex sensors which collected hand movement data
- The data was fed to a Unity environment, where a virtual hand reflects the hand movement data collected from the glove
- Events in the game result in haptic feedback on the glove

Research

Publications

- Lara Alotaibi, et al, "Low Cost and Scalable Haptic VR Glove", International Conference on Computational Intelligence and Communication Networks, CICN, Dec 2022, Khobar KSA
- Lara Alotaibi, et al, "Cyberattacks Using ChatGPT: Exploring Malicious Content Generation Through Prompt Engineering", International Conference in Emerging Technologies for Sustainability and Intelligent Systems, ICETSIS, Jan 2024, Kingdom of Bahrain

Achievements & Awards

- SDAIA-KAUST Academy Introduction to AI Bootcamp, KAUST (2022)
- Dean's List Honors, Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University (2020, 2023)
- MISK Distinctive College Prep Program, (2018)
- Harvard Summer School Scholarship, completed 2 college-level courses (2018)

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Founder and President of Robotics Society, PMU
- Tutoring CS1 Students, College of Computer Engineering & Sciences PMU
- Facilitated Reinforcement Learning Workshop organized by Robotics Society, PMU
- Conducted 3D Printing Workshop organized by Robotics Society, PMU
- Vice President of Undergraduate Research Society, PMU
- Treasurer of **IEEE Women in Engineering**, **PMU**
- Mentor in the MISK mentoring program