

# SHIHAB AAQIL AHAMED

## Curriculum Vitae

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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Optimization
- Machine Learning
- Computer Vision
- Deep Learning

### EDUCATION

#### University of Moratuwa

June 2021 – Present

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in *Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering & Minor in Mathematics* May 2022 – Present

- Pathway: [Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition](#)
- CGPA: 3.51/4.0 (Second Class Upper Division - Honors)
- Current Semester: 5<sup>th</sup> Semester

#### Zahira College, Kalmunai, Sri Lanka

January 2017 – August 2019

General Certified Examination Advanced Level

August 2019

- Z-Score: 2.5593
- High Distinctions for Physics, Chemistry, Combined Mathematics (Physical Science Stream)
- District Rank: 2, Island Rank: 152 (out of ~ 35,000 candidates)

### MOOCs

- EPFL Optimization: Principles and Algorithms - EdX [Linear Optimization](#)<sup>†</sup> Network and Discrete Optimization\* Unconstrained Nonlinear Optimization\*
- Machine Learning Specialization - Coursera [1](#)<sup>†</sup> [2](#)<sup>†</sup> [3](#)\*
- [Data Science and Machine Learning Bootcamp](#)<sup>†</sup> - Udemy
- Deep Learning Specialization - Coursera [1](#)<sup>†</sup> [2](#)<sup>†</sup> [3](#)<sup>†</sup> [4](#)<sup>†</sup> [5](#)\*
- Mathematics for Machine Learning and Data Science Specialization - Coursera [1](#)<sup>†</sup> [2](#)\* [3](#)\*
- DeepLearning.AI TensorFlow Developer Professional Certificate - Coursera [1](#)<sup>†</sup> [2](#)<sup>†</sup> [3](#)\* [4](#)\*

### PROJECTS

#### Machine Learning Projects

##### ML Parameters Optimization: | *Grid Search, Randomized Search & Bayesian Search Optimization Techniques* June 2023

- Implemented GridSearch, Randomized Search, and Bayesian Optimization to enhance model performance.
- Evaluated regression models using diverse Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for accurate assessment.
- Demonstrated expertise in Scikit-Learn, showcasing understanding of hyperparameter optimization strategies.

##### NLP: Twitter Sentiment Analysis | *Python, NLTK, TextBlob, Naïve Bayes Classifier & Jupyter Notebook* June 2023

- Developed a supervised learning model to predict sentiment from thousands of user tweets.
- NLP libraries - NLTK and TextBlob - Tokenization used for text preprocessing and scikit-learn for ML modelling.
- Accuracy of 94% was obtained using naïve bayes classifier model.

##### Telecom Customer Churn Prediction | *Scikit-Learn, Logistic Regression, SVM, K-NN, Random Forest Classifier* May 2023

- Trained classifiers to predict telecom customer churn using Logistic Regression, SVM, K-NNs and Random Forest Classifier algorithms.
- Evaluated models with AUC score and ROC curve analysis, Amongst all the trained models, Random Forest Classifier achieving the highest performance.
- Random Forest Classifier model: Achieved ~96% accuracy, ~96% precision for retained customers, and ~94% precision for churned customers; recall rate of ~99% for retained customers and ~76% for churned customers.

##### University Admission Classification | *Scikit-Learn, NN, Regression Models - Multiple LR & Jupyter Notebook* July 2023

- Built regression models for university admission predictions from student profiles, Utilized Linear Regression, ANN, and Decision Trees for accurate predictions.
- Achieved highest performance through Artificial Neural Networks, Random Forest, and Decision Trees.

##### NLP: Resume Selector | *Python, Scikit-Learn, NLP - NLTK, TextBlob - Tokenization*

August 2023

- Developed Naïve Bayes model for model to predict flagged resumes from a dataset of 125 resumes (33 - flagged, 92 - not flagged); using Python, Scikit-Learn, and NLP - NLTK, TextBlob - Tokenization.
- Cleaned and preprocessed resume text by removing punctuation and stop words.

##### Applied Convolutional Neural Networks | *Python, Jupyter Notebook*

May 2023

- Built a model to detect cars in an image using YOLO(You Only Look Once) algorithm.
- Implemented Neural Style Transfer using Deep Convolutional Networks to generate artwork given style and content images.

## Selected Undergraduate - Electronic Projects

### Solar Wifi Router | *Altium Designer, Proteus, Solidworks*

May 2022 - October 2022

- Developed WiFi and LED UPS with 12V rechargeable battery for reliable power during outages, supporting AC and solar charging.
- Used smart relay technology for transitions between power sources (AC, solar), ensuring uninterrupted WiFi and LED performance, facilitating real-time battery charging.
- Created a user-friendly PCB design and enclosure, enhancing usability through intuitive switches, resulting in a dependable solution for power backup requirements.

### Analog Linear Power Supply | *Altium Designer, NI Multisim, Solidworks*

October 2022 - February 2023

- Designed a 10V linear power supply with 10A max current, incorporating step-down transformer, bridge rectifier, and Sziklai pair regulation, featuring current limit and short circuit protection.
- Implemented efficient thermal management using heat sinks, finalized in a single-layer PCB enclosed with a 3D-printed case and 12V DC fan for optimal heat dissipation.
- Developed a robust power supply system, utilizing Zener diode, smoothing capacitor, and advanced transistor configuration to achieve stable performance under varying load conditions.

### Robot Design | *Webots R2021b, C++, Arduino, Solidworks*

March 2023 - June 2023

- Designed virtual robot for tasks: Line Following, Dotted Line Following, Segmented Wall Following, Chess Board Arena and physical robot for tasks: Line Maze, Curved wall, Blind box, Line following
- Mastered diverse Problem Solving approaches, Time Management and Effective Teamwork.

### Simple Solar Battery Charger | *Altium Designer, NI Multisim, Solidworks*

March 2023 - June 2023

- Designed Simple Solar Battery Charger, utilizing LM338/LM317T solar controllers to ensure reliable and safe charging of rechargeable batteries with solar energy.
- Implemented LED indicators for real-time monitoring of battery charge levels, enhancing user accessibility and maintenance efficiency.
- Created a cost-effective and lightweight, making the Simple Solar Battery Charger ideal for diverse outdoor activities.

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

**Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition:** EN3160 Image Processing and Machine Vision\*, EN3150 Pattern Recognition\*

**Mathematics:** MA1014 Mathematics(A), MA2024 Methods of Mathematics(A+), MA2014 Differential Equations(A), MA2024 Calculus (A-), MA2034 Linear Algebra\*, MA3014 Applied Statistics\*, MA3024 Numerical Methods\*

**Miscellaneous:** EN1020 Signals and Systems (A), EN2063 Signals and Systems, CS2024 Data Structures and Algorithms(A)

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** C, C++, Matlab, Overleaf L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Python

**Developer Tools:** Google Colab, Jupyter Notebook, PyCharm, VS Code

**Version Control:** Git, GitHub

**Technologies/Frameworks:** PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras

**Mathematics:** Optimization, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Principal Component Analysis(PCA)

## EXPERIENCE

### ScholarX 2023 Mentee

Remote

*Sustainable Education Foundation*

*June 2023 - Present*

- Mentored by Ms. [Theshani Nuradha](#), PhD Student at Cornell University, USA.
- Explored Optimization and algorithms, Machine Learning and Privacy and Secure AI (Federated Learning)
- Contributed to creating a sustainable education structure in Sri Lanka.

## HONOURS AND AWARDS

### Jinnah Scholarship

October 2020

*The High Commission of Pakistan*

*Colombo, Sri Lanka*

- I've been granted the Jinnah Scholarship for outstanding performance in Advanced Level Examination. This scholarship is awarded on a merit basis. Under this program, each successful student receives a stipend of SL Rs. 50,000 as assistance for one year to pursue their studies.