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Professional Summary

Machine learning researcher with expertise in computer vision and interpretable AI with a focus on solving real-world imaging challenges. As a Ph.D. candidate, I focused on solving real-world imaging challenges by developing efficient, interpretable deep learning frameworks. My research contributions include 20+ peer-reviewed publications, multiple Google Korea research grants, and recognition through academic awards.

EDUCATION

• Ph.D. in Software (Machine Learning & Computer Vision)

March 2021 – Expected Aug. 2025

- Sangmyung University, Cheonan, South Korea
- Dissertation: Efficient and Interpretable Deep Learning Frameworks for Real-World Applications
- Advisor: Dr. Heemin Park
- Master of Science in Information Technology

2019

- National University of Science and Technology (NUST), Islamabad, Pakistan
- Thesis: Prediction based Target Tracking in Wireless Sensor Network
- Bachelor of Computer Engineering

2014

- COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT), Lahore, Pakistan

PUBLICATIONS GOOGLE CITATIONS: 368

- [1] MA Khan, H Park. "HP-ViT: Hierarchical Pathology-Aware Vision Transformer for Multi-Label Thoracic Disease Classification in Chest X-rays" Springer Health Information Science and Systems. IF: 4.7 (In Review)
- [2] MA Khan, H Park. "MediFusionNet: A Novel Architecture for Multi-Modal Medical Image Analysis" Springer Signal, Image and Video Processing. IF: 2.0 (In Review)
- [3] MA Khan, H Park. "Adaptive Channel Attention and Multi-Path Convolutional Architecture for Brain Tumor Detection Using MRI Images." Springer Multimedia Tools and Applications. IF: 3.0 (In Review)
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- [13] MA Khan, H Park, J Chae. "A Lightweight Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) Architecture for Traffic Sign Recognition in Urban Road Networks." Electronics 12, no. 8 (2023): 1802. IF: 2.6 [Link]
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- [15] MA Khan, H Kim, H Park. "Leveraging Machine Learning for Fault-Tolerant Air Pollutants Monitoring for a Smart City Design." Electronics 11, no. 19 (2022): 3122. IF: 2.9 [Link]
- [16] MA Khan, H Kim, H Park. "Exploiting Neural Network for Temporal Multi-variate Air Quality and Pollutant Prediction" Journal of Korea Multimedia Society 25, no. 2 (2022): 440-449. [Link]
- [17] MA Khan, MA Khan, M Driss, W Boulila, J Ahmad. "Evolution of Target Localization in Wireless Sensor Network (WSN): A Review." IEEE International Congress of Advanced Technology and Engineering (ICOTEN) pp. 1-8. IEEE, 2021. [Link]
- [18] MA Khan, H Park. "Lightweight Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) based COVID-19 Detection using X-ray Images. Journal of Multimedia Information System 8, no. 4 (2021): 251-258. [Link]
- [19] S Usmani, A Saboor, M Haris, MA Khan, H Park. "Latest Research Trends in Fall Detection and Prevention Using Machine Learning: A Systematic Review." Sensors 21, no. 15 (2021): 5134. IF: 3.84 [Link]
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- [23] MAK Sherwani, MA Khan. "Quality of Services in Warehouse Scale Computers." IEEE International Conference on Networking and Network Applications (NaNA) pp. 187-190. IEEE, 2018. [Link]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

• Objective Quality Metrics for Ghosting Artifacts in Video and HDR Images Research Funding: Google Korea

June 2023 – May 2024

- Built a dataset of 2,500+ real images and annotated over 37,000 patches for spatial/temporal artifact detection.
- Designed data pipelines for collection, annotation, and feature extraction from diverse imaging sources.
- Trained SOTA deep learning models for domain specific tasks (e.g ghosting artifacts, object detection)
- Multi-Scale Attention Model for Low-Light Image Enhancement

2024

- Designed a lightweight model (12M parameters) achieving 0.88 SSIM, 0.93 MS-SSIM, 0.207 LPIPS on LoL datasets using GCP A100.
- Worked on integrating attention Mechanisms and transfer learning.
- Implemented an adaptive enhancement pipeline balancing perceptual quality and computational efficiency.

• Medical Image Analysis and Multi-Modal Deep Learning

2023 - 2024

- Developed hierarchical vision transformer models for multi-label classification in chest X-rays.
- Created novel architectures achieving 99.51% mAP with 17.2 ms inference for brain tumor detection.
- Designed multi-modal fusion techniques for integrating various medical imaging modalities.
- Reduced false positives by 78% using explainable AI techniques (Grad-CAM, LIME).

• Traffic Sign Recognition with Advanced Neural Network Techniques

2022 - 2024

- Developed an interpretable CNN (2.6M parameters) achieving 98.4% accuracy and 74.34 ms inference.
- Streamlined ML model development and deployment with MLflow for tracking and reproducibility.
- Optimize GPU acceleration and parallel processing to optimize the system performance.

• FireXplainNet: Interpretable Wildfire Detection System

2021 - 2022

- Developed a lightweight interpretable CNN (5.3M parameters) for early wildfire detection.
- Applied gradient-based attribution (Grad-CAM) for decision explainability in high-risk outdoor scenarios.
- Achieved high accuracy under variable conditions; received Best Paper Award at KCC 2023.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- Multi-Modal Framework for Medical Condition Classification and Detection
- @ Pi Lab, Korea
- Developing multi-class detection system for brain tumors, COVID-19, pneumonia, and lung opacities.
- Working on CNN architectures to handle ambiguous boundaries in medical images.
- Optimizing model performance for resource-constrained clinical environments with explainability.
- Post-Processing Methods for Artifact Removal Using Machine Learning
 @Google Korea & Pi Lab, Korea
 - Investigating machine learning techniques for suppressing noise, ghosting, and compression artifacts.
 - Optimized artifact removal performance across diverse imaging modalities.
 - Designed deployment strategies suitable for mobile and resource-constrained environments.
- Transformer-Enhanced Diffusion Models for Image Segmentation and Super-Resolution @ Pi Lab, Korea
 - Developing diffusion techniques for image segmentation and resolution enhancement.
 - Integrating text-guided diffusion processes to enhance segmentation precision.
 - Validating performance across diverse imaging modalities for real-world applications.

RESEARCH INTEREST

- Computer Vision & Image Processing: Low-light enhancement, Feature extraction and visualization.
- Medical Imaging: MRI analysis, Tumor segmentation, Multi-class classification, Resolution enhancement
- Efficient Model Design: Lightweight Architecture design, Model Optimization and Quantization.
- Image/Video Enhancement & Artifact Removal: Noise Removal, Ghosting Artifact Compression.
- Interpretable AI: Explainable deep learning models, Gradient-based attribution methods

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- ML Frameworks: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Python, Pandas
- Computer Vision: Object detection and classification, Image segmentation, Visual Intelligence Systems
- CV Libraries: OpenCV, Keras, scikit-image, Pillow, NumPy
- Deep Learning: SSD, YOLOX, YOLO-NAS, Faster R-CNN, Transfer learning, Attention mechanisms
- Explainable AI: Grad-CAM, LIME, Integrated Gradients
- Data Science: Data collection, Data Cleaning and Labeling, Feature Engineering and Visualization
- Research Tools: Google Cloud Platform (GCP), CUDA, Git, LaTeX, Jupyter Notebook

Research Funding & Honors

- Google Korea Research Grant (2024-Present): "Post-Processing Methods for Artifact Removal"
- Google Korea Research Grant (2023-2024): "Objective Quality Metrics for Ghosting Artifacts"
- Best Paper Award (2023): "FireXplainer: An Interpretable Approach for Detection of Wildfires" KCC, Jeju, Korea
- Professor Scholarship for Ph.D. (2021-2025): Pi-Lab, Sangmyung University
- DURE Scholarship (2022-2023): For international collaboration with Mongolia
- Teaching Assistant Scholarship (2021-2022): Department of Software, Sangmyung University

Conference Participation

• WACV'25, CVPR'23, KCC'23, ICWSM'22, KCC'22, WWW'21, AAAI'21, CSCW'21

REFERENCES

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