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EDUCATION

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

March 2021 – Expected Aug. 2025

- Sangmyung University, Cheonan, 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

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

TOTAL: 23 PUBLICATIONS

- [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. "Adaptive Channel Attention and Multi-Path Convolutional Architecture for Brain Tumor Detection Using MRI Images." Springer Multimedia Tools and Applications (2025). IF: 3.0 [Link]
- [3] MA Khan, Y Choi, J Eum, H Park. "Traffic Sign Recognition Under Visual Perturbations: Shadows, Light Patches, and Simulated Obstructions." IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshops (CVPRw), 2025. (Accepted)
- [4] MA Khan, H Kim, J Eum, Y Myung, Y Choi, H Park. "M-GAID: A Real-World Dataset for Ghosting Artifact Detection and Removal in Mobile Imaging." IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision Workshops (WACVw), 2025. [Link]
- [5] MA Khan, H Park. "A Convolutional Block Base Architecture for Multiclass Brain Tumor Detection Using Magnetic Resonance Imaging." Electronics 13, no. 2 (2024): 364. IF: 2.6 [Link]
- [6] U Ejaz, MA Khan, H Park, H Kim. "FireXplainer: An Interpretable Approach for Detection of Wildfires." Korea Computer Congress (KCC), pp. 1109-1111. 2023. [Link] (Best Paper Award)

Full publication list available at Webiste

Research & Industrial Experience

• Objective Quality Metrics for Ghosting Artifacts in Video and HDR Images

June 2023 – May 2024

Research Funding: Google Korea

Tools: PyTorch, OpenCV, scikit-image, NumPy, Pandas

- 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)
- Developed a test framework simulating multiple camera noise conditions for robust artifact evaluation.

• Multi-Scale Attention Model for Low-Light Image Enhancement

2024

- Tools: PyTorch, LoL Dataset v1/v2, GCP A100, SSIM, MS-SSIM, LPIPS
- 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.
- Reviewed and implemented AAAI, CVPR, and ICCV research papers to optimize model performance.
- Traffic Sign Recognition with Advanced Neural Network Techniques

2022 - 2024

Tools: TensorFlow, OpenCV, Grad-CAM, LIME, GTSRB, ITSD, PTSD

- 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.

2023 - 2024

Tools: TensorFlow, Keras, Grad-CAM, LIME

- Developed a lightweight convolutional block architecture achieving 99.51% mAP with 17.2 ms inference speed.
- Performed tumor segmentation, lesion classification, and anomaly detection in multi-modal MRI sequences.
- Reduced false positives by 78% using explainable AI techniques (Grad-CAM, LIME).

• FireXplainNet: Interpretable Wildfire Detection System

2022 - 2023

Tools: PyTorch, Grad-CAM, Matplotlib

- 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.

• YOLO-Based Real-Time Object Detection and Tracking System

2021 - 2023

Tools: YOLOv5, YOLO-NAS, DeepSORT, Kalman Filter, ByteTrack, PyTorch, OpenCV

- Built a real-time multi-object detection and tracking system using YOLOv5/YOLO-NAS and DeepSORT.
- Achieved mAP > 92% and 30+ FPS on COCO/MOT datasets, enabling real-time visual intelligence.
- Leveraged GPU parallelization strategies to optimize inference performance.

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
- Efficient Model Design: Lightweight Architecture design, Model Optimization and Quantization
- Medical Imaging: MRI analysis, Tumor segmentation, Multi-class classification, Artifact removal
- 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

CURRENT PROJECTS

• Post-Processing Methods for Artifact Removal Using Machine Learning Research Funding: Google Korea

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- 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.
- Multi-Modal Framework for Medical Condition Classification and Detection

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- 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.
- Partial Diffusion Model Architecture for Medical Image Super-Resolution
 - Developing partial diffusion techniques for medical image resolution enhancement.
 - Optimizing computational efficiency for deployment with limited resources.
 - Quantifying diagnostic value improvements through clinical partner collaboration.

REFERENCES

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