# Talha Ahmed

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## **EDUCATION**

## Lahore University of Management and Sciences

Sep. 2020 – May 2024

 $B.S.\ Mathematics$  -  $Economics\ (Joint\ Major)$  +  $Minor\ in\ Computer\ Science$ 

CGPA/Minor GPA: 3.83/3.87

Relevant Courses: Real Analysis, Adv. Calculus, Applied Probability, Machine Learning, Convex Optimization, Data Mining, Deep Learning, Adv. Signal Processing, Reinforcement Learning, Adv. Econometrics, Generative AI, Numerical Analysis

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE<sup>1</sup>

Research Assistant

Summer. 2024 – Present

Dr. Hassan. Mohy-ud-Din - Website

Lahore. Pakistan

• Working on "Theory and Practice of Diffusion Models in Medical Imaging and Inverse Problems". This work has link with the research below. (Work in Progress - Survey)

Research Assistant

Summer. 2024 – Present

Dr. Muhammad Tahir - LinkedIn

Lahore, Pakistan

• Working on "Interpretable and Controllable Diffusion Models" with applications to signal processing and semantic correspondence.

Senior Year Research

Summer. 2023 – May. 2024

Dr. Muhammad Tahir

Lahore, Pakistan

• Worked on "Model Based Deep Learning" as a Senior Project. (Report + Presentation)

Research Assistant

Sept. 2023 – Dec 2023

Dr. Hassan Mohy-ud-Din

Lahore, Pakistan

• Worked on a brief term project on compiling detailed, concise notes on prominent mathematical inequalities and their applications to fields of data science, information theory etc. Compiled work can be found here: **Dropbox** 

Research Assistant

Jan. 2023 – May. 2023

Networks Systems Group @ LUMS

Lahore, Pakistan

- As a directed research project, developed an app for measuring 'Digital Literacy' under supervision of Dr. Ihsan Ayub Qazi *Linkedin*.
- App can be found here: (Github Link)

#### Academic Distinctions

- Ranked in the top 10% of LUMS SBASSE Batch of 2024
- Placed on Dean's Honor List for 2020-2021, 2021-2022, 2022-2023
- Graduated with Dean's Honour List and High Distinction

#### Teaching + Work Experience

#### ACTA 6304: Advanced Machine Learning (Fall 2024)

Professor Momin Ayub Uppal

Teaching Assistant

• Held weekly office hours, made and graded assignments, and engaged in semi-formal student counseling

#### CS 535: Machine Learning (Spring 2024)

Professor Momin Ayub Uppal

Teaching Assistant

• Held weekly office hours, invigilated quizzes and exams, held tutorials, made and graded assignments, and engaged in semi-formal student counseling

#### EDUX 562: Data Lab (Spring 2023)

Professor Ahmad Avub

 $Teaching\ Assistant$ 

 Held weekly office hours, invigilated STATA labs, graded assignments, and engaged in semi-formal student counseling

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Further details on these research projects can be found at my website.

## ECON 221: Intermediate Macroeconomics (Fall 2022)

Professor Usman Elahi

Teaching Assistant

• Held weekly office hours, conducted assignment tutorials, created/reviewed/invigilated/graded quizzes, created/reviewed/solved assignments, and engaged in semi-formal student counseling

## STATA Workshop (Dec 2022 - Jan 2022)

Professor Usman Elahi

 $Teaching\ Assistant$ 

 Assitant for Professor Usman Elahi (usman.elahi@lums.edu.pk) for 'Capacity Building and Training on Data Management & Analysis Using STATA' organized in collaboration with Bureau of Statistics, Government of Punjab for Statistical Officers.

## Undergraduate Course Projects/Presentations<sup>2</sup>

### Speech Recognition and Translation System For Medical Communication

Spring 2024

CS 5302: Generative AI for Natural Language and Speech Processing

- We aimed to develop an application that can interpret, translate, and vocalize spoken language in real-time, and is specifically catered for patient-doctor conversations.
- We integrated various open source models of Automatic Speech Recognition, Neural Machine Translation, and Text-to-Speech synthesis etc. (**Project Deliverables**), (**Github Link**)

## Reinforcement Learning Algorithms on Tic-Tac-Toe

Fall 2023

CS 6314: Dynamic Programming and Reinforcement Learning

• Trained a reinforcement learning agent to play 2D and 3D Tic-Tac-Toe using algorithms like Value Iteration, Temporal Difference Learning, and Deep Q Networks. (**Project Report**), (**Github Source Code**)

#### Panel Data and Tobit Analysis on Health Care Dataset

Fall 2023

ECON 438: Econometrics II

• Conducted panel data and Tobit analysis on a German healthcare dataset to determine factors influencing doctor or hospital visits using fixed/random effects and tobit models.(**Project Report + Source Code**).

## Clustering, Association and Frequent Pattern Mining

Spring 2023

CS 432: Introduction to Data Mining

• Analyzed drug consumption patterns in Connecticut, USA using DBSCAN, Apriori, and Fpgrowth algorithms for clustering, association, and frequent pattern mining. (**Project Report**).

#### Sentiment Analysis on Audio Recordings

Spring 2023

CS 535: Machine Learning

• Identification and extraction of features followed by a mathematical background of some popular machine learning methods and their performance evaluation (**PDF Link**).

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: C++, Python, STATA, MATLAB, R, HTML/CSS, Tableau

Programming Frameworks: Keras, Tensorflow, PyTorch, OpenCV, Shiny, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Seaborn

Tools: Linux, Git, Dropbox, Latex, Microsoft, VS Code, Google Colab

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Further details on these and additional course projects can be found at my website.