

I'm an experienced roboticist with over 7 years of experience in higher education and scientific research. My interests span [Modeling](#), [Dynamics](#), [Control](#), [Estimation](#), [Fault Detection](#) & [System Identification](#).

I am on the look out for challenges where I can apply my unique background to tackle interesting projects.



## EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- 2024 **MicroMasters.** Statistics and Data Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MITx). [In progress \(25% complete\)](#).
- 2017 **M.Sc.** in Mechanical Engineering, American University of Sharjah, UAE. *GPA: 3.71*  
**Thesis:** [Modeling and Guidance of an Underactuated Autonomous Underwater Vehicle](#).
- 2015 **B.Sc.** in Mechanical Engineering, American University of Sharjah, UAE. *Cum Laude Honors*.
- 2023 **Coursera Specialization.** MathWorks Computer Vision for Engineering and Science. [Verification Link](#).
- 2023 **Coursera Specialization.** MathWorks Image Processing for Engineering and Science. [Verification Link](#).
- 2023 **Nano-Degree.** Udacity Flying Car and Autonomous Flight Engineer. [Verification Link](#).
- 2022 **Coursera Specialization.** Stanford Machine Learning. [Verification Link](#).
- 2022 **Nano-Degree.** Udacity Robotics Software Engineer. [Verification Link](#).
- 2022 **Nano-degree.** Udacity Self-driving Car Engineer & Intro to Self-Driving Cars. [Verification Link 1](#). [Verification Link 2](#).
- 2020 **Training.** Trained to be a *Certified LabVIEW Associate Developer*.
- 2018 **Training.** Trained in *American Heart Association* first aid.
- 2015 **Certification.** Passed the NCEES Engineer in Training/Fundamentals of Engineering (EIT/FE) Exam. [Verification Link](#).



## EXPERIENCE

### Instructor, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF SHARJAH, Sharjah, UAE

Mar 2018 → Present

- Teaching undergraduate and graduate laboratories in the dynamics, instrumentation, control, robotics and design tracks.
- Managing the AUS Mechatronics Center; supervising activities, dispersing operational budget, etc.
- Supporting the continued development of curricula and teaching material, including creating/revamping new/existing courses.
- Serving the Mechanical Engineering Department and the College of Engineering in events, committees, etc.
- Enforcing safe-working conditions in the labs, including commissioning and maintaining equipment.
- Supporting the needs of capstone projects and theses, including hardware selection and experimental setups.
- Developing learning modules and certification/executive education programs serving governmental entities, university students, high school students, etc. Courses include: Dubai Municipality Robotic 3D Printing, AUS Drones Academy, MCE Explore, Design & Build Bootcamp, AUS Engineering Day, and others.

### Teaching & Research Assistant, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF SHARJAH, Sharjah, UAE

Jan 2015 → Dec 2017

- Supported the instruction of undergraduate/graduate courses, recitations, and laboratories whenever necessary.
- Served in multiple research projects that resulted in four refereed journal publications and conference proceedings.

### Engineering Trainee, KHATIB & ALAMI, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Aug 2015 → Sep 2015

- Performed daily inspections for HVAC chilled water system, water supply/drainage, and firefighting installations.
- Processed contractor submittals, inspection reports, and information requests.



## SKILLS



## LANGUAGES

**Programming Languages** MATLAB, Python, ROS, LabVIEW, C/C++  
**Softwares** ANSYS, AutoCAD, Inventor, Comsol, Gazebo, ADAMS

**English** ● ● ● ● ●  
**Arabic** ● ● ● ● ●



## ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2023 Team shortlisted as a finalist in the Dubai World Challenge for self-Driving Transport 2023.
- 2023 Awarded the American University of Sharjah Outstanding Interdisciplinary Research Team Award.
- 2020 Team won 3<sup>rd</sup> place developing a mobile robot solution for Emirates Global Aluminium (EGA) smelter inspection.
- 2016 Awarded full studentship to pursue graduate studies at the American University of Sharjah.
- 2015 Finalist in the poster competition at the ISMA' 15 conference held at the American University of Sharjah.
- 2015 Made it to the Dean's and Chancellor's academic excellence honors lists, 7 and 3 times respectively.
- 2011 Awarded merit Scholarship upon joining the American University of Sharjah.



## EXTRACURRICULAR

- 2022 Delivered experimental executive education sessions to the Dubai Municipality under the theme: *Robotic 3D Printing*.
- 2019 Served as a mentor and a judge for the Lockheed Martin-sponsored First Tech Challenge (FTC) held in the UAE.
- 2018 Served as a judge for the 20<sup>th</sup> season of the First Lego League (FLL) held in the UAE.
- 2017 Graduate Student Association board member; represented the graduate student body, organized workshops & events.

## Forthcoming:

- [1] **Ali Wadi** et al. "Adaptive Parameter Identification for Rigid-body Dynamic Systems". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [2] Baker Mohammad Shehadeh et al. "Intelligent System Identification for Aerial Vehicles". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [3] Ahmed M. Yasin et al. "Estimating The Capacity of Li-ion Batteries using Kalman Filters". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [4] Samer Sarkis et al. "Robust Estimation of the Triggered Release of Chemotherapeutic Drugs from Moieties". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [5] Sherif Ismail et al. "A Review of Kalman Filter-aiding Techniques for Li-ion Battery Management Systems". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [6] Enas Gabashneh et al. "Adaptive Fuzzy Potential Field Guidance for Wheeled Mobile Robots". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [7] **Ali Wadi** et al. "Adaptive Nussbaum Functions in The Parsimonious Discovery of Dynamics". In: *Communications in Nonlinear Science and Numerical Simulation* (2023).
- [8] Sara Tellab et al. "Design and Implementation of a Semi-autonomous Aluminum Potshell Inspection Robot". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [9] Shayok Mukhopadhyay et al. "Distance Relaying in Power Transmission Lines". In: *TBD* (2023).
- [10] Sherif Ismail et al. "Outlier-Robust and Noise-Immune Li-ion Battery Cells' Surface Temperature Estimation". In: *IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology* (2023).

## Published:

- [11] **Ali Wadi** et al. "Probabilistic Voltage Fault Correction Method for Lithium-ion Batteries Using a Decentralized Cell Voltage Measurement Approach". In: *IEEE Transactions on Vehicular Technology* (2023), pp. 1–13. doi: [10.1109/TVT.2023.3287128](https://doi.org/10.1109/TVT.2023.3287128).
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- [21] **Ali Wadi** et al. "Enhanced EKF Method for State-of-Charge Estimation of Electric Vehicles' Li-ion Batteries under Highly Dynamic Power Profiles". In: *2021 4th International Symposium on Advanced Electrical and Communication Technologies (ISAECT)*. 2021, pp. 1–6. doi: [10.1109/ISAECT53699.2021.9668406](https://doi.org/10.1109/ISAECT53699.2021.9668406).
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- [32] **Ali Wadi** et al. "Dynamic Analysis of the Tilted Furuta Pendulum". In: *MATEC Web of Conferences*. Vol. 104. 2017. doi: [10.1051/mateconf/201710402011](https://doi.org/10.1051/mateconf/201710402011).