Athar Parvez

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AI/ML Engineer & Research Assistant(4+ years). Deploying ML models and LLM solutions to production. Cut churn for Drahim a Saudi fintech with predictive modeling using ML; delivered RAG chatbots and fine-tuned LLMs. Expertise in Python, PyTorch/TensorFlow, LangChain, and AWS (Docker, MLflow); fluent in NLP/CV, end-to-end pipelines, and MLOps best practices. Open for PhD role

SKILLS

Machine Learning & Deep Learning: Python, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, OpenCV, Pandas, NumPy, NLTK, spaCy, GANs, Transformers, Feature Engineering, Hyperparameter Tuning(Optuna), Model Evaluation (Fl-score, ROC-AUC, Accuracy) and MLOPs using Next_.

Generative AI: LangChain, LangGraph, OpenAI, Gemini, HuggingFace, Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG), Large Language Models (LLMs), Fine-tuning (including LoRA, QLoRA, and model quantization techniques), Transfer Learning, Prompt Engineering.

AI Automation & Orchestration: n8n, Zapier, MLflow and LangFlow.

Cloud and Databases: AWS, MongoDB, MySQL and Oracle.

Development & Version Control: Git and Docker.

Web Development: HTML, CSS, FastAPI (Postman, Thunder Client, Insomnia), Streamlit and Flask.

Data Visualization & Microsoft Tools: Seaborn, Matplotlib, PySpark, Tableau, Power BI, Excel, PowerPoint and Word.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant (Jan, 2025 – present) King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals(KFUPM)

- Conducted advanced research in **Machine Learning**, contributing to the development of innovative, data-driven solutions aligned with project objectives.
- Designed and executed experiments; collected, pre-processed, and analysed large-scale datasets
 using machine learning and deep learning frameworks including Seaborn, Matplotlib, PySpark,
 Pandas, NumPy, Scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, NLTK, spaCy, and OpenCV.
- Developed comprehensive technical documentation, research reports, and professional presentations to effectively communicate findings to academic and industry stakeholders.
- Mentored undergraduate students by supervising their research tasks, providing technical guidance, and promoting collaborative teamwork to enhance their academic and practical skills.

Teaching Assistant (Aug, 2025 – Dec 2025) King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals(KFUPM)

- Supporting the Software Engineering (SWE-363) course across three sections, assisting ~90 undergraduate students.
- Leading weekly lab sessions, providing hands-on guidance in debugging, code structure, and best programming practices.
- Managing course workflows using GitHub Classrooms for assignment distribution and automated grading.
- Administering quizzes via Blackboard and facilitating grading through Gradescope to ensure consistency and fairness.

Machine Learning Intern (Sep. 2025 – Sep 2025) SkillCraft Technology(SCT)

- Applied Collected, cleaned, and structured raw datasets to ensure high-quality model input.
- Built baseline machine learning models, performed hyperparameter tuning, and evaluated performance.
- Learned and applied advanced ML techniques in supervised and unsupervised learning.
- Gained hands-on exposure to end-to-end ML workflow, including data gathering, preprocessing, model creation, and evaluation.

Machine Learning Intern (July, 2025 – Aug 2025) Elevvo Pathways– Remote

- Applied machine learning techniques to real-world project tasks, gaining hands-on exposure to industry-standard workflows and tools.
- Delivered solutions with personalized mentor feedback, enhancing both technical implementation and practical problem-solving skills.

Teaching Assistant (Jan, 2024 – Jan 2025) King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals(KFUPM)

- Assisted in teaching fundamental programming concepts using C and Python to approximately 60 undergraduate students per semester.
- Led weekly lab sessions, providing hands-on guidance in debugging, code structure, and best programming practices.
- Designed, administered, and graded lab tests and programming assignments.

AI/ML Engineer (3 Years) (April, 2021 – Jan, 2024) Tata Consultancy Services(TCS)

- Developed and deployed **Machine Learning and Deep Learning models** to support financial applications, including tasks such as **classification**, **prediction**, **and anomaly detection**.
- Fine-tuned pre-trained models and LLMs using techniques like LoRA, QLoRA, and transfer learning, adapting them to domain-specific datasets.
- Built **end-to-end ML pipelines** from data preprocessing, feature engineering, and training to deployment, ensuring models met **business and performance requirements**.

PUBLICATIONS

Generalizable Diabetes Risk Stratification via Hybrid Machine Learning Models Submitted to *Journal of Diabetes and Its Complications Q1*)

(Confidential)

- Contributed as a first author to a research study on diabetes risk prediction.
- Developed hybrid machine learning models for accurate risk stratification, combining traditional statistical methods with advanced ML techniques.
- Collaborated with researchers to design experiments, preprocess clinical datasets, and evaluate model generalizability.

Usability Requirements Catalog for Modeling Dynamic User Interactions in Mobile Applications

- Proposes a graph-based usability requirements catalog for dynamic mobile interactions (touch, gestures)
- Structures relationships among key factors (e.g., Efficiency, Learnability, Errors) and maps them to design/evaluation.
- Validated with experts to ensure practical applicability for developers

PROJECTS

Churn Prediction for Fintech Retention Strategies

(Confidential)

• Developed a churn prediction model for *Drahim*, a Saudi-based fintech company, using machine learning techniques to identify at-risk customers and support retention strategies.

Purchase Order Item Categorization.

(GitHub Link)

Processed multilingual purchase order text data and built an ML pipeline with embeddings and clustering
to classify items, enhancing categorization accuracy and spend analysis.

Duplicate Question Detection on Quora Dataset

(GitHub Link)

- Built an NLP pipeline with ML models to classify duplicate questions using token, fuzzy, and semantic features on Ouora Dataset.
- Deployed an interactive Streamlit app for real-time duplicate detection on Heroku.

iArabUI: A Large Dataset for Arabic-Supported iOS Mobile Applications

(GitHub Link)

• Creating iArabUI, the first comprehensive dataset of Arabic-language iOS app interfaces, leveraging LLMs for automated UI labeling to advance accessibility, HCI, and intelligent UI design.

YouTube RAG: A Chatbot for YouTube Video Transcript Understanding

(GitHub Link)

• Built a Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) chatbot that answers questions about YouTube videos by extracting transcripts via YouTubeLoader, converting them into embeddings using FAISS/Chroma, and generating responses using OpenAI/HuggingFace LLMs based on semantically retrieved content.

TCS BaNCS: AI-Driven Predictive Analytics Platform for Financial Services

(GitHub Link)

• Developed and fine-tuned ML/DL models and LLMs for predictive analytics, integrating SQL data pipelines and deploying AI-driven microservices with Docker, Kubernetes, and AWS.

EDUCATION

• King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals (67 QS World Wide in 2025)

Master's in Computer Science (GPA 3.4/4)

(Jan 2024 - Present)

Maulana Azad National Urdu University

Bachelors in Computer Science (GPA 3.5/4)

(Aug 2016 - May 2020)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Python Basics University of Michigan, Jan 2024 | Credential ID: CZ8HXFHOXK8N
- LangChain for LLM Application Development DeepLearning.AI, Aug 2025
- Finetuning Large Language Models DeepLearning.AI, Feb 2025
- Generative AI for Everyone DeepLearning.AI, June 2025
- AI Agents in LangGraph DeepLearning.AI, April 2025
- n8n Course: No Code AI Agent Builder Simplilearn, Aug 2025

REFERENCES

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