# Mohamed Fazli Imam

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#### **EDUCATION**

## Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence

Master of Science in Machine Learning (Fully funded scholarship)

Aug 2022 – May 2024 *CGPA 3.60/4.00* 

Sri Lankan Institute of Information Technology (SLIIT)

Jan 2016 – Dec 2020

Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Information Technology with specialization in Data Science

GPA 3.81/4.00

#### Publications

Mohamed Fazli Imam, Rufael Fedaku Marew, Jameel Hassan, Mustansar Fiaz, Alham Fikri Aji, Hisham Cholakkal, "CLIP meets DINO for Tuning Zero-Shot Classifier using Unlabeled Image Collections" in *Under Review in AAAI*, 2024. Available Here

Ahmed Elshabrawy, Thanh-Nhi Nguyen, Yeeun Kang, Lihan Feng, Annant Jain, Faadil A. Shaikh, Jonibek Mansurov, Mohamed Fazli Imam, Jesus-German Ortiz-Barajas, Rendi Chevi, Alham Fikri Aji, "Encoder-only Models are Efficient Crosslingual Generalizers" in *Under Review in ACL ARR Submission*, 2024.

David Orlando Romero Mogrovejo, Chenyang Lyu, Haryo Akbarianto Wibowo,...Mohamed Fazli Imam,..Thamar Solorio, Alham Fikri Aji, "CVQA: Culturally-diverse Multilingual Visual Question Answering Benchmark" in *NeurIPS Datasets and Benchmarks Track*, 2024. Available Here

Mohamed Fazli Imam, Achinthya Subasinghe, Hiruni Kasthuriarachchi, Senura Fernando, Prasanna S. Haddela, Nadeesa Pemadasa, "Moderate Automobile Accident Claim Process Automation Using Machine Learning" in *International Conference on Computer Communication and Informatics (ICCCI)*, 2021. Available Here

# EXPERIENCE

## Research Associate

July 2024 – Present

Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence

Conducting research on multimodality and visual-temporal reasoning in vision-language models, addressing
complex challenges in these domains.

## **Data Science Intern**

Jun 2023 – Jul 2023

- Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC Panorama Department)
  - Conducted exploratory data analysis and deployed a sophisticated time series model to forecast the dynamic rate of flow for a gas cracker.
  - Developed and implemented an innovative NLP-based Q&A system for drilling reports, leveraging LLM model APIs to extract valuable insights and deliver accurate contextual answers. REPO

#### **Data Science Associate**

Feb 2022 – Jul 2022

STAX Inc

- Conducted due diligence for private equity firms to determine the viability of potential investments.
- Scraping reviews and listings from popular websites, I analyzed them to comprehend the client's market, its competitors, and consumer sentiment
- Integrated these insights with data from surveys and other sources, this comprehensive approach offered valuable intelligence for investment decisions.

## Junior Data Scientist

Jul 2021 - Dec 2021

National Intensive Care Surveillance Unit (NICST)

- Conducted exploratory data analysis and various data manipulation tasks to clean, transform, and prepare clinical trial datasets for analysis.
- Developed automation scripts to streamline the process of mapping data between different systems and formats.

## Label-free Adaptation of CLIP for Remote Sensing

Masters Thesis

- Developed and implemented a label-free adaptation method for remote sensing scene classification, ALP-RS.
- Explored the efficacy of auto-labelled prompt tuning by leveraging contextual knowledge from LLM to generate pseudo labels and adapt CLIP for remote sensing setting.

## Fine-Grained Image Classification Using Counterfactual Learning

Feb 2022 – May 2022

- Explored the impact of learned attentions and uncorrected (counterfactual) attentions on the final classification score in the context of fine-grained image classification.
- Conducted several experiments to analyze how counterfactual attentions, generated by perturbing the feature maps, would influence the classification score.

#### Domain Adaptation for RGB to Thermal Images REPO

Feb 2022 - May 2022

- Conducted an investigation into the effectiveness of combining feature-rich visible spectrum and thermal image modalities for urban road scenes in an unsupervised setting.
- Implemented a triple-branch weight-sharing transformer architecture for experimentation of domain adaptation.

## Football Game Outcome Prediction REPO

Oct 2022 - Nov 2022

- Developed and assessed the effectiveness of a machine learning model for predicting the outcome of football matches using player statistics, team statistics, and previous match statistics.
- Scraped data related to teams participating in the FIFA 2021 World Cup and generated predictions for group stage
  matches to the grand finale.

## **Automobile Damaged Component Detection**

Bachelors Thesis

- Developed and explored the capabilities of computer vision algorithms to automate the process of automobile accident claim processing.
- Trained and fine-tuned state-of-the-art CNN models using a web-scraped dataset consisting of images of automobile damaged components.

#### **Optimizing Direct Mail Fundraising**

June 2019 – Oct 2019

- Developed a machine learning pipeline to optimize direct mail fundraising for using a fictional organization.
- The machine learning pipeline included a classification model for predicting the likelihood of a person donating and a regression model for estimating the donation amount they would likely contribute.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, R, SQL

Cloud: ML in AWS, Azure ML Studio

Developer Tools: VS Code, Git, GitHub, Shell, Bash

Visualization Tools: Tableau, PowerBI

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Mentored the team which won "Best Team Award" in Undergraduate Research Internship Program (UGRIP) at MBZUAI)
- Fully-funded Masters Scholarship at MBZUAI)
- SLIIT Deans' List Recipient for second year, third year and final year (Semester 1 and Semester 2)

#### References

• Available on request