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I am a senior research scientist at Google Deepmind. I'm passionate about advancing ethical and inclusive AI, with a particular focus on developing robust multimodal systems, understanding neural network behavior, and addressing fairness and cultural diversity in machine learning models. I am also interested in the application of mathematical tools, such as fractals, statistical learning theory & information theory, to understand the capabilities and limitations of deep neural networks. Previously, I founded and led the Advanced Analytics team at Saudi Aramco, managed the company's Enterprise Analytics program, and was a technical lead at its digital transformation program.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy - PhD, Computer Science, KAUST, GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

Thesis title: "Learning via Query Synthesis." Committee: X. Zhang, X. Gao, D. Keyes (KAUST), and W. Wang (UCLA). 2012 — 2017

Master of Science, Electrical Engineering, Stanford University, GPA: 4.15 / 4.0

Emphasis on networked systems, artificial intelligence, and operations management. 2009 — 2011

Bachelor of Science, Computer Engineering, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, GPA: 3.98 / 4.0

Highest Distinction; Superior Scholarship Award; Minor in Economics.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

Research & Development 1 book, +35 research papers, 7 patents (1 granted and 6 filed).

Communication English (fluent), Arabic (native), German (elementary, A2).

Technical Artificial intelligence, data science, modeling & optimization, digital transformation, networked systems

(certified by Cisco, Juniper and Alcatel-Lucent).

Leadership +2 years managing corporate-wide enterprise analytics program, leading the data science team, and serv-

ing as a technical lead at the digital transformation program at Saudi Aramco.

+4 years leading cross-team research collaboration projects on deep learning, computer vision, and eth-

ical AI at Google Deepmind.

SELECTED VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Area chair at NeurIPS.

Program committee member NeurIPS, ICML, ICLR, AAAI, CVPR, and ECCV.

Outstanding reviewer award @ ICML 2020 and NeurIPS 2022, 2023

Editorial reviewer at TMLR, IEEE PAMI, IEEE TNNLS, and IEEE Communications Letters.

Member of the S20 Task Force (Digital Revolution).

Chair of the AI track of the 2019 Arab-American Frontiers Symposium.

2024 — Present
2017 — Present
2019 — Present
2020 — Present

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT NOV 2019 — Present

Google Deepmind

Zürich, Switzerland

2000 - 2005

- Led / co-led several projects on deep learning and ethical AI; e.g. multimodal systems, pretraining with random labels, debiasing neural networks, data scaling laws, optimizing ViTs, and calibration/robustness.
- Member of technical team that released Google's open-source multimodal system Paligemma.
- Member of the grand vision and ML fairness in healthcare moonshots.
- Member of the Google Scholarship Review Team and mentor of AI residents & student researchers.

ENTERPRISE ANALYTICS

NOV 2017 — OCT 2019

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

Saudi Aramco, Corporate Applications Dept

- Founded and led the Advanced Analytics team that was responsible for developing AI solutions, managing analytics infrastructures, conducting research collaboration with academia, evaluating technologies, and crafting strategic roadmaps.
- Technical lead at the Digital Transformation Program, accelerating the integration and adoption of AI across the company.
- Spearheaded the roll-out of the "Data Science" specialization program and the launch of a hosted M.S. in Analytics with +20 students graduated.
- Led the design & implementation of ML applications in sectors such as downstream, supply chain, sales & marketing, IT & HR.

PERFORMANCE & OPTIMIZATION

Saudi Aramco, Comm. Eng. Department

JUN 2011 — AUG 2012

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

- Performance management and capacity planning for enterprise communications services such as the Data Center, the Internet, Extranet, and Wireless LAN infrastructures.
- Won the Operation Services Business Line recognition award (2012) for "distinguished achievements."
- Developed analytical tools for automated performance measurement and SLA compliance assessment.

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DATA NETWORKING

JUL 2005 — AUG 2009

Dhahran, Saudi Arabia

Saudi Aramco, Comm. Eng. Department

- Won the Information Technology Admin Area recognition award (2007) for "developing innovative solutions" and the Communications Eng Dept recognition award (2009) for "significant contributions to department's success."
- Key member of an 18-month IT network security project for securing critical facilities.
- Project manager for a 1-year CCTV surveillance camera systems project (involving civil and communications work).
- Design, installation, configuration, reviews, upgrades, and troubleshooting of data networks.

Воокѕ

Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin, Summability Calculus: A Comprehensive Theory of Fractional Finite Sums, Springer, 2018.

RECENT PREPRINTS

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- Andreas Steiner, André Susano Pinto, Michael Tschannen, Daniel Keysers, Xiao Wang, Yonatan Bitton, Alexey Gritsenko, Matthias Minderer, Anthony Sherbondy, Shangbang Long, Siyang Qin, Reeve Ingle, Emanuele Bugliarello, Sahar Kazemzadeh, Thomas Mesnard, <u>Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin</u>, Lucas Beyer, Xiaohua Zhai. "PaliGemma 2: A Family of Versatile VLMs for Transfer." arXiv:2412.03555 [cs.CV], 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

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- Alabdulmohsin, I. and Steiner, A: A Tale of Two Structures: Do LLMs Capture the Fractal Complexity of Language? ICML, 2025.
- Angéline Pouget, Lucas Beyer, Emanuele Bugliarello, Xiao Wang, Andreas Peter Steiner, Xiaohua Zhai, <u>Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin</u>. "No Filter: Cultural and Socioeconomic Diversityin Contrastive Vision-Language Models." **NeurIPS**, 2024.
- <u>Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin</u>, Vinh Q. Tran, and Mostafa Dehghani. "Fractal Patterns May Illuminate hte Success of Next-Token Prediction." **NeurIPS**, 2024.
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- Xi Chen, Xiao Wang, Lucas Beyer, Alexander Kolesnikov, Jialin Wu, Paul Voigtlaender, Basil Mustafa, Sebastian Goodman, Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin, Piotr Padlewski, Daniel Salz, Xi Xiong, Daniel Vlasic, Filip Pavetic, Keran Rong, Tianli Yu, Daniel Keysers, Xiaohua Zhai, Radu Soricut: "PaLI-3 Vision Language Models: Smaller, Faster, Stronger." arXiv:2310.09199, 2023.
- Xi Chen, Josip Djolonga, Piotr Padlewski, Basil Mustafa, Soravit Changpinyo, Jialin Wu, Carlos Riquelme Ruiz, Sebastian Goodman, Xiao Wang, Yi Tay, Siamak Shakeri, Mostafa Dehghani, Daniel Salz, Mario Lucic, Michael Tschannen, Arsha Nagrani, Hexiang Hu, Mandar Joshi, Bo Pang, Ceslee Montgomery, Paulina Pietrzyk, Marvin Ritter, AJ Piergiovanni, Matthias Minderer, Filip Pavetic, Austin Waters, Gang Li, <u>Ibrahim Alabdulmohsin</u>, Lucas Beyer, Julien Amelot, Kenton Lee, Andreas Peter Steiner, Yang Li, Daniel Keysers, Anurag Arnab, Yuanzhong Xu, Keran Rong, Alexander Kolesnikov, Mojtaba Seyedhosseini, Anelia Angelova, Xiaohua Zhai, Neil Houlsby, Radu Soricut: "Pall-X: On Scaling up a Multilingual Vision and Language Model", CVPR, 2024.
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- Dehghani, M., Djolonga, J., Mustafa, B., Padlewski, P., Heek, J., Gilmer, J., Steiner, A., Caron, M., Geirhos, R., <u>Alabdulmohsin, I.</u>, et al. "Scaling Vision Transformers to 22 Billion Parameters." ICML, 2023.

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