# Jameel Hassan

## Education

## Johns Hopkins University, Maryland, USA

Aug 2024 – Present

PhD in Electrical & Computer Engineering

- Research Focus: Robust representation learning for lidar perception using foundational vision-language models.
- Supervised by Prof. Vishal Patel.

# Mohamed Bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Aug 2022 - Jun 2024

Master of Science (Research) in Computer Vision

CGPA 3.95/4.0

- Thesis: Test-Time Adaptation of Foundational Vision-Language Models
- Relevant Coursework: Object Recognition and Detection, Deep Learning, Parallel & Distributed Machine Learning

#### University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Nov 2015 - July 2020

Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Electrical & Electronics

CGPA 3.65/4.0 (Top 10%)

# Projects

#### CLIP meets DINO | Vision-Language models, Self-supervised learning

Mar 2024

- Designed a lightweight label-free learning method to improve vision language models.
- Combines the distinct advantages of self-supervised models, known for their strong visual representations, with vision-language models that excel in generalizability.

# Prompt Align | Test-Time Adaptation, Vision Language models, Foundation models

May 2023

• Designed a zero-shot test-time prompt learning strategy, handling the distribution shift in test data for vision language models for robust image understanding. — NeurIPS 2023

## Language Supervision for 3D Instance Segmentation | Vision-Language models, Instance Segmentation | April 2023

• Analyzed and established the potential of language supervision using CLIP for 3D point-cloud instance segmentation and its effectiveness in the open-world setting.

#### Language as an Adversary for CLIP | Vision-Language models, Adversarial Attacks

December 2022

- Designed an adversarial attack on the CLIP model using language as an adversary.
- Showed effectiveness by dropping the model accuracy below 50% on CIFAR10, CIFAR100 and Caltech101 datasets.

#### YOLOngv8 | Long Tail Distributions, Object Detection

April 2023

- Adapted the YOLOv8 model for long tail object detection on the iSAID aerial images dataset.
- Used a prototype based contrastive loss with dynamic calibration for long tail nature of dataset.

## Video Restoration | Blind Face Restoration, Video Restoration

December 2023

Adapting image based face restoration model to videos – discontinued due to lack of resources

## Parallel & Distributed ViT | Parallel and Distributed ML, Vision Transformers

December 2023

- Designed a parallel and distributed implementation of the ViT-B/16 architecture.
- Implemented a pipeline paralleled version, combined with distributed data parallel strategy.

#### Experience

# Vision & Image Understanding Lab

Aug 2024 - Present

Research Assistant

Maryland, USA

Building embodied navigating agent based on open ended language queries.

#### Inception Institute of Artificial Intelligence

 $May\ 2023-July\ 2023$ 

AI Research Intern

Abu Dhabi, UAE

- Resolved edge cases in Blind Face Restoration using VQGANs, such as viewpoint change and closed eyes setting.
- Extending image face restoration to videos.

# Intelligent Visual Analytics Lab (IVAL), MBZUAI

Aug 2022 – Jun 2024

Graduate Research Assistant

Abu Dhabi, UAE

- Explored the robustness and generalizability of CLIP in image classification, and adaptability to instance segmentation.
- Co-supervised new masters students at IVAL lab, working on Vision-Language models for image understanding.

• Teaching assistant for AI701 (Introduction to Artificial Intelligence) at MBZUAI. Responsible for course material preparation and mentoring three course projects.

Machine Learning Engineer

Colombo, Sri Lanka

- Designed Machine Learning algorithms for vehicle damage detection to automate vehicle insurance claiming.
- Designed a car localization component using Mask RCNN reducing False positives in damage detection by 12%.
- Researched and analyzed curriculum learning approach for improvement in training time.

#### **Technical Skills**

**Programming:** Python, C, MATLAB, Assembly

Technologies/Frameworks: PyTorch, Tensorflow, OpenCV, Parallel ML systems, Git, Linux

## **Publications**

- Fazli Imam, Rufael Marew, **Jameel Hassan**, Mustansar Fiaz, Alham Fikri Aji, Hisham Cholakkal, *CLIP meets DINO for Tuning Zero-Shot Classifier using Unlabeled Image Collections*. Under Review
- Uzair Khattak, Ferjad Naeem, **Jameel Hassan**, Muzammal Naseer, Federico Tombari, Fahad Khan, Salman Khan, Complex Video Reasoning and Robustness Evaluation Suite for Video-LMMs. Under Review
- AS Jameel Hassan\*, Hanan Gani\*, Noor Hussein, Uzair Khattak, Muzammal Naseer, Fahad Khan, Salman Khan, "Align Your Prompts: Test-Time Prompting with Distribution Alignment for Zero-Shot Generalization". NeurIPS 2023
- Gihan Jayatilaka\*, **AS Jameel Hassan**\*, Suren Sritharan\* et al, "Holistic Interpretation of Public Scenes Using Computer Vision and Temporal Graphs to Identify Social Distancing Violations". Applied Sciences, MDPI 2021
- AS Jameel Hassan, Suren Sritharan, Gihan Jayatilaka et al. "Hands Off: A Handshake Interaction Detection and Localization Model for COVID-19 Threat Control". IEEE ICIIS 2021
- A. S. Jameel Hassan\*, Umar Marikkar\*, et al. "A Sensitivity Matrix Approach for Centralized Active Reactive Power Management of PV Systems integrated LV network". Energies, MDPI 2020

#### Honours & Awards

- MBZUAI full scholarship master's student.
- Best practical impact paper in the 16th IEEE ICIIS Conference 2021.

## Leadership / Extracurricular

- Computer Vision Department Student Representative, Graduate Student Council (Sep 2022 Sep 2023).
  - Organized a bootcamp program for the Fall 2023 students, amassing an attendance of over 80 students.
- Member of Varsity Basketball team, University of Peradeniya (2018/2019)
- High School Prefect (2013/2014)

## Referees

# Prof. Vishal Patel,

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