

# Khurram Azeem Hashmi

#### Education

2020-present **PhD in Computer Science**, RPTU Kaiserlautern-Landau, Germany.

Thesis Title: Towards Spatial and Temporal Object Recognition in Diverse and Challenging Environments

Advisor: Didier Stricker

2017–2020: Masters in Computer Science, Intelligent Systems, RPTU Kaiserlautern-Landau, Germany.

Thesis Title: DTNet: Deep Neural Networks for Table Detection and Structure Interpretation in Document

**Images** 

Advisor: Didier Stricker

# Experience

#### German Research Center for Artificial Intelligence, DFKI

#### August 2020 - Computer Vision Researcher.

- Present o Integrate large language models with open-world recognition frameworks for robust, real-time perception in unconstrained environments.
  - o Research on real-time object recognition, segmentation, and tracking in videos under challenging conditions.
  - o Develop a vision-guided navigation pipeline for assembly robots, integrating advanced perception and real-time path planning for accurate and efficient autonomous operations.
  - o Build and deliver AI services to European industrial manufacturing SMEs, enabling defect detection and meeting safety standards with advanced computer vision algorithms.
  - Co-teach the Master's Deep Learning course at RPTU Kaiserslautern-Landau.
  - o Mentor Master's students on theses, internships, and seminars in cutting-edge computer vision topics.

### December **Research Assistant**.

2020

- 2018 April o Developed concepts of Feedback Learning using Neural Machine Translation (NMT) to address post-Information Extraction (IE) errors in digital mailroom systems.
  - Built an efficient OCR pipeline for historical documents by integrating block segmentation with object detection and instance segmentation, significantly improving text extraction accuracy.
  - o Collaborated with German Librarians to extract and analyze information from historical documents.

#### Techlogix

#### June 2016 - **Software Engineer**.

- August 2017 Built integration services bridging core banking systems with business process applications.
  - o Contributed to middleware for heterogeneous banking systems serving major banks in Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.
  - Developed predictive analytics solutions leveraging client data for better decision-making.
  - Utilized IBM Integration Service Bus, IBM Message Queue, Java, XML, ESQL, XPath, DB2, Teradata, SQL Server 2016, and Oracle 12C.

#### Selected Publications

- 2025 Khurram Azeem Hashmi, Talha Uddin Sheikh, Didier Stricker, and Muhammad Zeshan Afzal. Beyond boxes: Mask-guided spatio-temporal feature aggregation for video object detection. In **WACV**, 2025.
- 2024 Tahira Shehzadi, Khurram Azeem Hashmi, Didier Stricker, and Muhammad Zeshan Afzal. Sparse semi-detr: Sparse learnable queries for semi-supervised object detection. In CVPR, 2024.
- 2023 Khurram Azeem Hashmi, Alain Pagani, Didier Stricker, and Muhammad Zeshan Afzal. Boxmask: Revisiting bounding box supervision for video object detection. In **WACV**, 2023.

- 2023 Khurram Azeem Hashmi, Goutham Kallempudi, Didier Stricker, and Muhammad Zeshan Afzal. Featenhancer: Enhancing hierarchical features for object detection and beyond under low-light vision. In *ICCV*, 2023.
- 2022 **Khurram Azeem Hashmi**, Didier Stricker, and Muhammad Zeshan Afzal. Spatio-temporal learnable proposals for end-to-end video object detection. In *BMVC*, 2022.

# Fellowships & Awards

- 2012 –2016 *Merit-based Scholarship* for the entire bachelors studies based on the achieved GPA.
  - 2023 Nominated for an AI New Commer Award by the German Society of Computer Science.

## Academic Services

- \* Reviewer for major computer vision conferences, including CVPR2025, ICLR2025, WACV2025, ECCV2024, CVPR2024, WACV2023, ECCV2022
- \* Reviewer for Journals, including IEEE TCSVT, IEEE Access, Neurocomputing.

# Technical Competence

Programming Python, C++, C, Java, ESQL, PHP

Frameworks PyTorch, OpenCV, TensorFlow, Keras, Laravel, Spring

DevOps Docker, ONNX, ROS, Slurm, Cluster Computing, Kubernetes, Linux

CI/CD GIT, SVN, GitLab

Hardwares **NVIDIA Jetson**, **Industrial Cameras** (IDS), Monocular Cameras, Intel RealSense RGB-D Sensors

#### Invited Talks

- \* Self-Supervised Learning in Computer Vision Augmented Vision Workshop 2023
- \* Instance Representation learning in Low-light Environments All Hands Meeting 2023