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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Edge intelligence, Tiny ML, Deep learning for computer vision.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering

2014 - 2019

Qatar University, Doha, Qatar

M.Sc. Telecommunication Engineering

2010 - 2013

University of Engineering and Technology Taxila, Pakistan.

B.Sc. Telecommunication Engineering

2005 - 2009

University of Engineering and Technology Peshawar, Pakistan

EXPERIENCE

Research Scientist

Mar 2024 – Present

Qatar Mobility Innovations Center, Doha, Qatar.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Jun 2020 – Feb 2024

Qatar Mobility Innovations Center, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar.

Graduate Researcher

Jan 2016 – Dec 2016

Qatar Mobility Innovations Center, Qatar.

Graduate Researcher

Aug 2014 – May 2015

Qatar University, Doha, Qatar.

R&D PROJECTS

1. Smart, Connected, and Autonomous Vehicle and Energy systems for efficient, safe, secure, and sustainable transportation in metropolitan cities.
My Role [Research Scientist]: Modelling network and sensor attacks and developing intrusion detection systems for connected and autonomous vehicles (CAVs).
2. Intelligent construction safety violation system (iVDS).
My Role [Research Mentor]: Supervise interns to design an AI-based system to automatically detect safety violations (e.g., not wearing PPEs) in construction sites in Qatar.
3. Prohibited item detection using baggage x-ray scanning.
My Role [Research Mentor]: Train/finetune DL models to detect prohibited items in baggage using x-ray scans.
4. Acoustic detection and localization of noisy vehicles
My Role [Research Mentor]: Supervise interns to design an AI-based system to detect and localize noisy cars and motorbikes on roads.
5. Crowd counting and density estimation for metro stations
My Role [Research Scientist]: Develop crowd counting and density estimation models and deployment over NVIDIA edge devices for real-time crowd statistics.
6. Smart customer analytics for retail.
My Role [Research Scientist]: Developing, training, and validating AI models for customer analytics.

7. Context recognition in crowd monitoring using crowdsourced data.
My Role [Postdoc Fellow]: Research and development of deep learning systems and models for visual crowd analysis over resource-limited drones.
8. DroneCMS: Flying Infrastructure for Intelligent Crowd Management and Security for Mega-Events.
My Role [Postdoc Fellow]: Unauthorized drone detection, identification, and tracking using sensor fusion and attribute-based encryption.
9. Predictive QoE-Aware and ML for Secure Live Streaming Over the Edge.
My Role [Postdoc Fellow]: Distributed data processing and training & inference of AI models in edge computing and IoT systems.
10. D-COCODI: Scalable Multimedia Multicasting Mobile Solutions for Smartphone Users in Dense Environments.
My Role [Graduate Researcher]: Develop new algorithms and model dense Wi-Fi Direct network systems for multimedia content distribution.
11. Traffic congestion mitigation on Doha Expressway using ramp metering.
My Role [Graduate Researcher]: Develop algorithms for isolated and coordinated ramp metering, and upstream traffic signal control strategy to mitigate congestion and reduce travel time.
12. Doha city traffic analysis and simulation modeling in PTV VISSIM.
My Role [Graduate Researcher]: Modelling of traffic microsimulation in PTC VISSIM with real-world data collected from Doha city.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- o **Post Doctoral Research Award (PDRA)**, Qatar National Research Fund, USD. 200,000 (Mar 2022 - Feb 2024)
- o Graduate Assistant, Qatar University, USD. 40,000 (Aug 2014 - May 2015)
- o Best Presenter, IEEE ICFTSS, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Aug 2024

COURSES TAUGHT

- o STAT-819 Advanced Machine Learning (Spring-2024)
- o STAT-836 Advanced Techniques and Logical Reasoning (Fall-2023)

SUPERVISION AND MENTORSHIP

- o Thesis Co-advisor, Abdul Wali Khan University, Mardan, Pakistan. (2023-24)
- o Research Mentor, Qatar University Young Scientists Center (QUYSC), Qatar (2023-24).
- o Research Mentor Qatar Mobility Innovations Center, Qatar. (2022-24)

TALKS

- o **[Keynote]** Revisiting Visual Crowd Counting in ASGI, Changsha (China), 23-25, 2025.
- o **[Invited Talk]** Real-time Crowd Counting at the Edge in IPMV, Hong Kong, January 10-12, 2025.
- o **[Invited Talk]** Intelligent Edge for 6G and Massive IoT Systems, in the IEEE ICNGN, Bangkok, Thailand.
- o **[Invited Talk]** Machine Learning in Mobile Edge Computing - Recent Trends, Opportunities, and Challenges, in MLIS2020, October 25-28, 2020, UK
- o **[Tutorial]** Mobile Edge Computing for Massive IoT (MIoT) Systems, in 10th IEEE International Symposium on Networks, Computers, and Communications, Doha, Qatar. October 23-26, 2023.
- o **[Guest Lecture]** Network Slicing in 5G, at College of Engineering, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar, April 11, 2023.
- o **[Media]** Generative AI in FM Procurement, interview published in Facilitate - the official magazine of IWFM UK).
- o **[Media]** ABC of AI, in Facilitate - the official IWFM magazine, Mar 2021 Issue

PUBLICATIONS

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [J1] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar and M. Abdallah, LiDAR in Connected and Autonomous Vehicles - Perception, Threat Model, and Defense, *IEEE Transactions on Intelligent Vehicles*, 2024
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- [J4] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar and R. Hamila, Crowd Counting at the Edge using Weighted Knowledge Distillation, *Nature Scientific Reports*, 2024. [Submitted].
- [J5] **M. A. Khan** and L. Hamad, On the Capability of LLMs in Combinatorial Optimization, *Annals of Mathematics and Artificial Intelligence* [Submitted].
- [J6] M. Almehdhar, A. Albaser, **M. A. Khan**, M. Abdallah, H. Menouar, S. Al-Kuwari, and A. Al-Fuqaha, Deep Learning in the Fast Lane: A Survey on Advanced Intrusion Detection Systems for Intelligent Vehicle Networks, in *IEEE Open Journal of Vehicular Technology*, vol. 5, pp. 869-906, 2024.
- [J7] M. Ishtiaq, N. Saeed and **M. A. Khan**, Edge Computing in IoT: A 6G Perspective, *IEEE IT Professional*, 2024.
- [J8] L. Hamad, **M. A. Khan** and A. Mohamed, Object Depth and Size Estimation using Stereo-vision and Integration with SLAM, *IEEE Sensors Letters*, vol. 8, no. 4, pp. 1-4, April 2024.
- [J9] A. K. Gardiwal, N. Faiz, S. Iftikhar, **M. A. Khan**, and M. Aamir, Pruning Tree Forest and Re-sampling for Class Imbalanced Problem, *PLOS One*, 2024.
- [J10] N. Faiz, A. K. Gardiwal, **M. A. Khan**, and S. Iftikhar, "Dynamic prediction of survival via Landmark method using the asthma prevention trial in young children" 2023 Nov 30;18(11).
- [J11] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, Visual Crowd Analysis - Open Research Problems," in *AI Magazine (AAAI)*, vol. 44, no. 3, pp. 296–311, Fall 2023.
- [J12] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, "LCDnet: A Lightweight Crowd Density Estimation Model for Real-time Video Surveillance," in *Journal of Real-Time Image Processing.*, 20, 29, 2023.
- [J13] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, Revisiting Crowd Counting: State-of-the-art, Trends, and Future Perspectives. in *Image and Vision Computing.*, 129, 104597, 2022.
- [J14] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, A. Eldeeb, A. Abu-Dayya, and F. D. Salim, "On the Detection of Unauthorized Drones—Techniques and Future Perspectives: A Review," in *IEEE Sensors Journal*, vol. 22, no. 12, pp. 11439-11455, 15 June 15, 2022.
- [J15] **M. A. Khan**, R. Hamila, A. Erbad, and M. Gabbouj, "Distributed Inference in Resource-Constrained IoT for Real-Time Video Surveillance," in *IEEE Systems Journal*, 2022
- [J16] **M. A. Khan**, A. Erbad, R. Hamila and E. Baccour, "CODE: Computation Offloading in D2D-Edge System for Video Streaming" in *IEEE Systems journal*.
- [J17] **M. A. Khan**, E. Baccour, Z. Chkirbene, A. Erbad, R. Hamila, H. Hamdi, and M. Gabbouj, "A Survey on Mobile Edge Computing for Video Streaming: Opportunities and Challenges," in *IEEE Access*, vol. 10, pp. 120514-120550, 2022.
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manned Systems (DAUS' 2025), 9-21 February 2025, Granada, Spain [Accepted]

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- [C4] K. Shaaban, **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, Advanced Mobility: Integrating Visible Light Communication and Sensing Technologies, in Intermountain Engineering, Technology, and Computing Conference (i-ETC), Utah, USA, 2024.
- [C5] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, Crowd Counting in Harsh Weather using Image Denoising with Pix2Pix GANs, in Thirty-Eighth International Conference on Image and Vision Computing, 2024.
- [C6] **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, and R. Hamila, Multimodal Crowd Counting with Pix2Pix GANs, in 19th International Conference on Computer Vision Theory and Applications (VISAPP 2024), Rome, Italy, 2024.
- [C7] L. Hamad, **M. A. Khan**, H. Menouar, F. Filali, and A. Mohamed, Haris: an advanced autonomous mobile robot for smart parking assistance, in 2024 IEEE International Conference on Consumer Electronics (ICCE), Las Vegas, NV, USA, 2024, pp. 1-6.
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- [C9] I. Mrad, E. Baccour, R. Hamila, **M. A. Khan**, A. Erbad, M. Hamdi, "RL-CEALS: Reinforcement Learning for Collaborative Edge Assisted Live Streaming", in 28th IEEE Symposium Computers and Communications (ISCC) 9 -12 July, Tunis Tunisia.
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- [C15] K. Shaaban, **M. A. Khan**, I. Kim and R. Hamila, "Queue Discharge at Freeway On-Ramps Using Coordinated Operation of a Ramp Meter and an Upstream Traffic Signal", Procedia Computer Science, Volume 170, 2020, Pages 347-353, ISSN 1877-0509
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- [C21] K. Shaaban, **M. A. Khan**, and R. Hamila, "Literature Review of Advancements in Adaptive

Ramp Metering", *Procedia Computer Science* 83 (2016): 203-211.

- [C22] M. Shah, **M. A. Khan**, T. Mahmood, K. Islam, and J. Akbar, "Generation of orthogonally polarized chaotic waveforms for secure optical communication" 2013 IEEE 9th International Conference on Emerging Technologies (ICET), Islamabad, 2013, pp. 1-5.
- [C23] **M. A. Khan**, S. Zakiuddin and J. Ahmad, "Cross-layer optimization of dynamic source routing protocol using IEEE 802.11e based medium awareness", 2013 3rd IEEE International Conference on Computer, Control, and Communication (IC4), Karachi, 2013, pp. 1-6.
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- [C25] **M. A. Khan** and S. Zakiuddin, "Research review of the development of novel routing algorithms for mobile Ad-hoc networks", Eighth International Conference on Digital Information Management (ICDIM 2013), 2013, pp. 61-66

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BOOK CHAPTERS

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- [B2] **M. A. Khan**, M. A. Ahmadon, N. A. A. Rauf, A. M. Zaid, A. K. Mahamad, S. Saon, N. S. A. M. Taujuddin, and A. Jamil, "Implementation and simulation of udp client server environment using contiki cooja simulator." 2023.

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- o *IEEE Internet of Things Magazine* (IOTMAG)
- o *IEEE Systems Journal* (ISJ)
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- o **Tutorial Chair** at IEEE Gaming, Entertainment, and Media Conference (IEEE GEM 2023).
- o Session Chair at Innovation and Technological Advances for Sustainable Development (ITAS 2023).
- o Workshop Co-Chair at Sensing, Communication, and Localization in 6G (6GloTT 2022).
- o Session Chair at "IEEE 41st International Conference on Consumer Electronics (ICCE 2023).
- o Session Chair at International Conference on Computers and Automation (CompAuto 2022).

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SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o ML/DL frameworks: Scikit-learn, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras o Scientific computation: OpenCV, Numpy, Scipy, Pandas, ... o Image/Sound/Text Processing: OpenCV, Open3D, Librosa, Beautiful Soup o Visualization: Matplotlib, Plotly, Seaborn o GPU/Edge: Cuda, ONN, TensorRT, NVIDIA Jetson edge devices o ML/DL Models MLP, SVM, RF, DT, XGBoost, LSTM, CNNs, ViTs
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