

Applied AI researcher and engineer building scalable systems at the intersection of generative modeling, multimodal learning, and human-centered visual computing.

## EDUCATION

### University of Engineering and Technology Peshawar, Pakistan

*Bachelor Studies in Computer Science*

Sep. 2018 – Sep. 2022

*Thesis:* HTML Code Generation from Images with Deep Neural Networks

*Advisor:* Dr. Zakira Inayat

*CGPA:* 3.58/4.0

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### AI Researcher

Sep. 2024 – Present

#### **VOLV AI**

- Lead AI research in 3D computer vision and deep generative modeling to deliver a virtual try-on SDK for garments and makeup using neural rendering, GANs, and diffusion models. Adopted by several fashion brands, the SDK increased user engagement by 40%. ([VOLV AI Virtual Try-On Demo](#)).
- Drive the development of 2D and 3D digital human avatars with improved pose estimation accuracy using OpenPose and AlphaPose, enabling personalized interactions and reducing product return rates by 30%.
- Spearhead research on multimodal learning systems by integrating large language models (LLMs) with visual and audio signals, developing prototypes that enhance cross-modal reasoning and instruction-following for real-world applications in customer support and interactive experiences.

### Research AI Engineer

Jan. 2023 – Dec. 2023

#### **BHuman AI**

- Led the development of scalable AI video pipelines using neural image reenactment, facial motion transfer, and voice cloning. Reduced video production costs by 40% for 90K+ users, including major news and media enterprises ([Use cases](#)).
- Integrated LLMs (GPT-3.5, LLaMA) with persona avatars and developed fine-tuned RAG-based chatbots for dynamic conversational AI. Achieved 85% user satisfaction across 10+ media and news enterprise clients.
- Researched and implemented state-of-the-art audio-driven neural lip-sync models using GANs and image super-resolution, which became the company's flagship product and primary revenue stream.

### Undergraduate Research Assistant

Jan. 2022 – Oct. 2022

#### **CS&IT AI Lab UET Peshawar**

*Advisor: Dr. Zakira Inayat*

- Developed supervised neural network solutions for image processing and implemented generative models for automated image captioning tasks.
- Contributed to literature reviews and code writing in research projects on contextual intelligence and image similarity. Implemented mathematical optimization techniques like SVD, LU Decomposition, and Cross-Entropy Minimization.

### Intern Machine Learning Engineer

Aug. 2021 – Nov. 2021

#### **NAECO Blue GmbH**

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- Developed analytical functions and machine learning models for selecting optimal spatial and temporal resolution of weather data for solar and wind energy predictions and insights.
- Implemented a data pipeline that reduced research and development time by nearly 50%, which was then adopted by 5+ EU meteorological agencies for their weather prediction models.

**EmbedVoiceLLM: Efficient Multimodal Block-optimized Embedding-Driven Voice Operations with extensible learning**

June. 2025 – Sep. 2025

- Engineered a multimodal speech-language system that eliminates ASR pipelines by directly projecting audio embeddings into LLM space, achieving 150ms time-to-first-token with Persistent Adaptive Token strategy and training only 3.5% of parameters through LoRA fine-tuning on Whisper-Llama/NeMo architectures.

**FlexiSMPL: Flexible SMPL Body Modeling with Real-time 3D Visualization and Measurement Control**

May. 2025 – Aug. 2025

- Built an interactive 3D SMPL body visualization framework with real-time measurement-based control through 23 anthropometric parameters, featuring optimized Open3D rendering with vertex-only updates and 60FPS continuous polling for responsive 3D manipulation and wireframe visualization modes.

**VMVLM: Vision-Modulated Vision-Language Models for Improved Instruction Following**

Jun. 2025 – Aug. 2025

- Architected a dual-pathway Vision-Language Model combining Q-Former learned queries with direct intermediate ViT feature injection, enabling enhanced multimodal instruction following through complementary visual representations fed to an LLM.

**DGM-LLM: Darwin Gödel Machine with Large Language Model Integration for Autonomous Code Self-Improvement**

May. 2025 – Jul. 2025

- Engineered an autonomous code optimization system by integrating LLM-guided mutations into an evolutionary algorithm, achieving a 25–35% average improvement across 6 quality metrics through adaptive selection strategies converging in 5–10 generations.

**OmniFit-3D: A Unified Framework for 3D Virtual Try-On with Pose-Adaptive Realism**

Jan. 2025 – Apr. 2025

- Designed an end-to-end, pose-adaptive 3D try-on pipeline with monocular depth estimation, two-stage clothing warping, and texture fusion, generating realistic meshes from 2D inputs and enabling multi-view rendering on consumer hardware.

**LipSyncFace: High-Fidelity Audio-Driven and Lip-Synchronized Talking Face Generation**

Jun. 2024 – Jan. 2025

- Developed a two-stage unified network for audio-driven lip-synchronized video synthesis, featuring audio-conditioned sketch prediction at  $160 \times 160$  resolution and a rendering decoder, achieving PSNR 34.3, LSE-C 7.4, and LSE-D 6.0 with real-time inference capability.

**Beyond CNNs: Encoded Context for Image Inpainting with LSTMs and Pixel CNNs**

Jan. 2024 – Apr. 2024

- Architected a hybrid image inpainting approach combining WGANs with a novel Row-wise Flat Pixel LSTM architecture that runs efficiently on low-end CPUs, outperforming traditional CNN methods on CIFAR-10 through efficient sequential pixel generation.

**lipsync2: Talking Face Generation with Most Accurate Lip Synchronization**

Aug. 2023 – Dec. 2023

- Enhanced a GAN-based lip-sync framework by incorporating a pre-trained discriminator validation, achieving 10% LSE-C and 6% LSE-D improvements with enhanced long-audio sequence handling.

**face2face: One-Shot Talking Head Video Generation from a Source Image**

Jan. 2023 – Apr. 2023

- Developed one-shot talking head generation using unsupervised motion synthesis with flexible grid-based flow field estimation, achieving 5–10% improvements in animation metrics through adaptive refinement layers.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Taneem, U. J., & Ayesha, N.** (2024). [Beyond CNNs: Encoded Context for Image Inpainting with LSTMs and Pixel CNNs](#). International Journal of Information Systems and Technology (IJIST), 6(5), Special Issue & ICTIS 2024.

**Taneem, U. J., & Inayat, Z.** (2022). [HTML Code Generation from Images with Deep Neural Networks](#). Journal of Engineering and Applied Sciences (JEAS), UET Peshawar. (**Award: Young Undergraduate Researcher**)

## SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** Python, C++, MATLAB, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Bash Scripting (Linux)
- **ML/AI Frameworks:** PyTorch, PyTorch3D, TensorFlow, Keras, Transformers, LangChain
- **Libraries & Tools:** OpenCV, MediaPipe, ONNX, NumPy, Pandas
- **Developer Tools:** Git, WandB, Docker, Azure AI, GCP (Compute Engine, AI Platform), AWS (EC2, Lambda, SageMaker)