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EDUCATION

	PhD Candidate, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, Northeastern University, Boston	Advisor: Prof. Jennifer Dy			
2018 - 2020	Masters, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, (GPA: 3.87/4.3) Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), S. Korea	Advisor: Prof. In-So Kweon			
2014 - 2018	Bachelors, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, (GPA: 3.93/4.0, Rank: 5 th /156) National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST), Pakistan	Advisor: Prof. Faisal Shafait			

WORK EXPERIENCE

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Sep 2024 – Present	Student Researcher GOOGLE Cambridge, MA				
	 Continuing research as an extension of my internship project for Project Starline. Focusing on advancing the state-of-the-art for novel view synthesis to contribute to the broader 3D vision research community. 				
MAY 2024 - AUG 2024	Research Intern GOOGLE Playa Vista, CA				
	 Worked on novel-view synthesis for Project Starline. Proposed feed-forward architecture achieved plausible quantitative and qualitative results, despite its simplicity. 				
Sep 2021 – Present	Research Assistant Machine Learning Lab @ SPIRAL, Northeastern University, Boston				
	 Contributed to a regularization-based approach for improving continual learning ("STAR", ICLR 2025) Developed an optimization-based sparse adversarial attack on images and evaluated its interpretability. ("SAIF", Pre-print) Implemented Nerf-based 3D scene reconstruction from phone camera videos to facilitate at-home patient health monitoring. Formulated a clustering-based loss to improve the performance of 3D-object detection from multiview 2D inputs. 				
SPRING 2023	Teaching Assistant EECE7397 Advanced Machine Learning, Northeastern University				
SEP 2020 - AUG 2021	External Consultant for ML and AI ENDRESS+HAUSER, Maulburg, Germany				
	Proposed ML and CV-based solutions for process automation and optimization. Led two projects, both deployed to production: • Deep learning for unsupervised 3D classification: used Autoencoders, Capsule architectures, and Implicit Neural Networks. • Forecasting on time series: utilized DNNs and Temporal Transformers to predict compound concentrations in liquids using sensors measuring base physical quantities. Achieved $\sim 96\%$ accuracy w.r.t. specialized physical sensors.				
SEP 2018 - AUG 2020	Research Assistant ROBOTICS AND COMPUTER VISION LAB, KAIST, South Korea				
	 Bosch-RCV Project: Performed camera calibration, data collection, and vehicle trajectory estimation. Designed an occlusion-robust vehicle re-identification method using GANs for seamless tracking across a multi-camera surrounding awareness system. Universal Adversarial Perturbations: Developed novel adversarial attack algorithms. Published at CVPR, AAAI, and ACCV '20. 				
SEP 2015 - MAY 2018	Research Intern TUKL-NUST R&D CENTRE, NUST, Pakistan				
	 Proposed table detection and parsing in document images using ML and CV (LSTMs, text classification, clustering algorithms). Implemented LSTMs for handwritten address recognition to sort postal mail. 				

PUBLICATIONS

STAR: Stability-Inducing Weight Perturbation for Continual Learning | ICLR 2025

M. Eskander, T. Imtiaz, D. Hill, Z. Wang, J. Dy

ADAPT to Robustify Prompt Tuning Vision Transformers | TMLR 2025

M. Eskander, T. Imtiaz, Z. Wang, J. Dy

SAIF: Sparse Adversarial and Imperceptible Attack Framework | Under review

T. Imtiaz, M. Kohler, J. Miller, Z. Wang, M. Sznaier, O. Camps, J. Dy

Volumetric propagation network: Stereo-lidar fusion for long-range depth estimation | IEEE RA-L 2021

J. Choe, K. Joo, T. Imtiaz, I.S. Kweon

Understanding Adversarial Examples from the Mutual Influence of Images and Perturbations | CVPR 2020

C. Zhang*, P. Benz*, T. Imtiaz, I.S. Kweon

CD-UAP: Class Discriminative Universal Adversarial Perturbation | AAAI 2020

C. Zhang*, P. Benz*, T. Imtiaz, I.S. Kweon

Double targeted universal adversarial perturbations | ACCV 2020

P. Benz*, C. Zhang*, T. Imtiaz, I.S. Kweon

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2020	Qualcomm	Innovation	Fellowship	Award,	South	Korea	(among	the 20	awardees)	
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2014-2018 NUST Merit Scholarship (Awarded to top-3 GPA holders of cohort)

2017 Global UGRAD Exchange Program, US Dept of State ($\sim 7.6\%$ selection rate)

SKILLS

PYTHON JAX, PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, scikit-learn, cuda, Matplotlib C / C++ / JAVA Object-oriented programming, Data structures, frontend and backend dev

MISC. MATLAB, Unix, gcc, Git, SQL, LETEX, ROS, AutoCAD

ACADEMIC SERVICE

WORKFLOW CHAIR AAAI 2024

- Managed the AAAI 2024 paper review process for 12,100 submissions, working with 7k

reviewers, 765 senior program committee (SPC), and 320 area chairs (AC).

- Used topic modeling and text similarity to determine reviewer, SPC, and AC assignments.

CONFERENCE REVIEWER ICLR 2025, ECCV 2024, CVPR 2024, ICCV 2023, NeurIPS 2023 (New in ML Workshop)

VOLUNTEER ICML 2022