# USMAN ANWAR

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EDUCATION

 ${\bf Information\ Technology\ University,\ Lahore.}$ 

September 2019 – Present

MS Data Science (Expected Graduation: June 2021)

University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore

BS Electrical Engineering

August 2015 – May 2019

Government College University, Lahore

Associate's Degree Pre-Engineering

August 2013 - May 2015

Work Experience

Senior Machine Learing Engineer

February 2020 – Present

Scientific Computing Department,

NetSol Technologies, Lahore.

Research Assistant & Graduate Student Fellow

July 2019 - June 2020

Center of Artificial Intelligence and Computational Science,

Information Technology University, Lahore.

Research Advisor: Dr. Ali Ahmed.

Research Intern

July – September 2018

Internet of Things Laboratory,

Khwarizmi Institute of Computer Science, Lahore.

Research Advisor: Dr. Ubaid Ullah Fayyaz.

Junior Data Scientist

June – August 2017

ADDO AI, Lahore.

Publications

- U. Anwar, S. Malik, A. Aghasi, and A. Ahmed. Inverse constrained reinforcement learning. In *Proceedings of the 38th International Conference on Machine Learning*, 2021. URL https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.09999
- S. Malik, U. Anwar, A. Ahmed, and A. Aghasi. Learning to solve differential equations across initial conditions. In *ICLR 2020 Workshop on Integration of Deep Neural Models and Differential Equations*, 2020. URL arxiv.org/abs/2003.12159

Projects

#### Learning Constraints In Context Of Reinforcement Learning

April 2020 – December 2020

Research Project • Advisor: Dr. Ali Ahmed

The project explores the idea of using demonstrations from experts to solve the problem of reward misalignment in reinforcement learning.

### Solving Partial Differential Equations Across Initial Conditions

August 2019 – January 2020

Research Project • Advisor: Dr. Ali Ahmed

Showed that using adversarial training, Physics Informed Neural Networks (Raissi et al. 2018) can be enabled to generalize across initial conditions. The work has applications in aerodynamics, computational fluid modelling and various other engineering and scientific fields.

### Accoustic Source Separation Using Deep Learning

 $September\ 2018-May\ 2019$ 

Undergraduate Senior Project • Advisor: Dr. Ubaid Ullah Fayyaz • Website: https://acoustic-source-separation.github.io/
Implemented Deep Clustering Algorithm (Hershrey et al. 2015) in tensorflow and demonstrated its efficacy for the purposes of single channel speech separation from two speaker mixture. We also showed that due to use of neural networks, we achieve excellent generalization on out of language samples as well. In another contribution, we showed that this technique could also be used to separate noise from mixtures and used for purposes of speech enhacement.

#### Paper Discovery System Via Topic Modelling

December 2019

Course Project (Information Systems)

Demonstrated that using Embedded Topic Model (Dieng et al. 2018), unlabelled papers from proceedings of could be categorized into semantically meaningful topics (e.g. reinforcement learning, neurscience etc.) and users, prominently young researchers, could be recommended articles based on their browsing history and/or any mentioned interests.

## Imitation Learning On Atari Games

June 2020

Course Project (Deep Learning) • Website: https://uzman-anwar.github.io/projects/2020/06/28/DL-Project/

Used Generative Adversarial Imitation Learning (Ho et al. 2016) to train a Reinforcement Learning agent from demonstrations of expert behaviour on two Atari games; *Pong* and *Breakout*.

Last updated: September 10, 2021

• Python (Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib) • Pytorch • Tenorflow • C • SQL • NoSQL

### LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

# Managing Director & Co-Founder Spectra Magazine

April 2017 - May 2020

Spectra Magazine is a student-powered online magazine aiming to enhance public understanding of science and shape the narrative of science journalism in Pakistan. Read more about us at www.spectramagazine.org/about.