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A Computer Engineering Associate Professor, who combines 12 years of Silicon Valley industry experience with almost 11 years of academic experience. While I do have a solid track record of management experience in both industry and academia, I am proud of being a hands-on engineer who is always eager to work in state-of-the-art technologies. I also do have extensive expertise in Software development, Data Analytics, and Machine Learning.

Education

Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering, **Santa Clara University**, 2010.

Concentrations: Fuzzy Logic, Design for Test algorithms.

Dissertation: A New Systematic and Quantitative Approach to Characterization of Surface Nanostructures using Fuzzy Logic.

M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, **Virginia Tech**, 2000

Concentration: Fuzzy Logic.

Thesis: Control of Rotary Cranes Using Fuzzy Logic and Time-Delayed Position Feedback Control.

B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, **University of Jordan**, 1999.

Ranked **2nd** amongst Spring 1999 class.

Research Interests

Intelligent Systems, Machine learning, UAV optimization algorithms, Fuzzy logic applications, Smart grids, Cloud Computing.

Research Experience

- **Princess Sumaya University for Technology PSUT, Assistant Professor** Amman, Jordan
 - Machine Learning Applications in the medical fields.
 - Robotics Maneuvering using Reinforcement Learning.
 - UAV and Robotics Optimization Algorithm.
 - Intelligent and Dynamic Power pricing schemes.
 - Cloud Computing Service brokering.
 - Use of Fuzzy logic for Quadrotor UAVs.
 - Resident aware Green Homes.
- **University of Tampere, Visiting Professor** Tampere, Finland
 - Worked on detection of defected stem cells using fuzzy logic
- **Santa Clara University, Ph.D. Student** Santa Clara, CA
 - Nanostructures Characterization using Fuzzy Logic
 - Researched nanostructures characterization techniques of AFM data for thin films.
 - Research multiple image processing techniques in an attempt to use them for the characterization.
 - Developed a fuzzy logic based characterization technique that does not require human calibration.
 - Implemented the above technique using MATLAB and applied it to real data collected provided by NASA Ames research labs.

Design for Test for Asynchronous VLSI circuits

- Performed extensive research in reviewing the Design-for-Test algorithms available for Asynchronous VLSI circuits.
- Developed an algorithm to detect delay faults in self-reset wave pipeline circuits.
- **Virginia Tech, Research Assistant (Aug 1999 – Dec 2000)**
- Worked on a project funded by the Office of Naval Research (MURI) aimed at stabilizing cargo transfer on high seas.
- Developed a fuzzy logic-based algorithm to stabilize rotary cranes movement.
- Developed MATLAB Simulations to demonstrate the effectiveness of the fuzzy logic controller under different operating conditions.
- Worked with Lab colleagues to build a model of the rotary crane, and proved the accuracy of the simulated results.

Blacksburg, VA

Academic Experience

- **University of Tampere, Visiting Professor (Aug 2016 – Sep 2016)**
- Worked on detection of defected stem cells using fuzzy logic
- **Queen Rania Foundation - Edraak.org (Mar 2014 – Aug 2014)**
- Collaborate with MIT on delivering “Intro to Computer Science & Programming” MooC class via edraak.org
- **Princess Sumaya University for Technology, (Jan2012- Present)**
- Computer Engineering Department**
- Associate Professor (1/2020 – Present)**
- Assistant Professor (1/2012 – 1/2020)**
- Head of Computer Engineering Dept (9/2015 – 9/2016, 6/2017- 9/2018)**
- Lead the change in the computer Arch Classes from MIPS to RISC-V.
- Establish a Data Science M.Sc. program
- Develop an Intelligent Systems M.Sc. Program
- Lead the ABET accreditation for the computer Eng. 2018/2019 cycle.
- Developing new courses:
 - AI and ML
 - Machine Learning
 - Big Data & Cloud Computing.
 - Cloud Computing.
- Teaching the following classes:
 - Logic Design.
 - Computer Arch I & II, Computer Arch for IT
 - Electrical Circuits I.
- Work with EMC academy to launch Cloud Computing Classes @ PSUT.
- Revamp the Logic design Lab. to include Verilog as a major component of the lab.
- Establish the “Intelligent and Embedded Systems Group”; the first research group at the college of engineering.
- Supervision of many graduation projects:
 - Fall 2021: Design and Implementation of an Autonomous Parking System using Reinforcement Learning Techniques
 - Fall 2020: Design & Implementation of Reinforcement Learning-based Car driving Model
 - Fall 2020: Design & Implementation of a Secure Delivery Optimization Platform
 - Spring 2019: Auto-target detection shooting car
 - Fall 2018: Real-time Security System using machine learning
 - Fall 2016: Industrial Parts Sorting
 - Fall 2014: Machine Learning for Robotic Obstacle avoidance.

Tampere, Finland

Amman, Jordan

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- Fall 2014: Car Collision Avoidance System
- Spring 2014: Child Safety System
- Spring 2013: Target Tracking & Prediction
- Fall 2013: Resident Aware Green Homes- Phase 1.
- Fall 2013: Smart Homes Automation via Android platform.
- Served in multiple Masters Defense Committees.
- Work on establishing Enterprise Systems Engineering M.Sc. program in collaboration with EU.

Professional Experience

- **SEVEN Networks**, (Oct2009- Jun2015, Mar2016-Aug2016) Redwood City, CA
Consultant - Analytics Engineering
Senior Manager - Analytics Engineering
Manager - Analytics Engineering
 - Experience in moving the company systems to cloud-based systems.
 - Conducting statistical Big Data analysis & modeling user behavior.
 - Build & maintain metrics & analysis infrastructure.
 - Analyze metrics to detect problems and enhance user retention.
 - Responsible for analyzing company-wide statistics and presenting data to executive staff.
- **PDF Solutions**, (Mar2005 – Oct2009) San Jose, CA
Software Engineering Manager
Senior Software Engineer
 - Define product architecture and develop HPC algorithms.
 - Manage two teams (Development & QA) consisting of 9 engineers.
 - Extensive experience with working with remote sites.
 - Hands-on development & architecture of statistical analysis software tools & algorithms (including multivariate analysis, correlation... etc).
 - Experience working with Oracle & Informix databases.
 - Supervise (source control, release & build mechanism) of the product.
- **Intel Corporation**, (Jan 2001 – Mar2005) Santa Clara, CA
Software Engineer
 - Graphics drivers test development & automation.
 - Build a complete automated system to submit Gfx driver for nightly testing and send results to stockholders the next day.
 - Test development for Miniport, Power Management & OpenGL.
 - Web design and web-based software applications development.
 - Database Management and programming.
- **Cyprus Telecommunications Authority**, (Jun 1998 – Aug 1998) Cyprus
Intern
 - Performing tests on the equipment in the earth station and on the communication links.
 - Attending the installation of a hub station.
 - Monitoring earth station equipment.
 - Frequency Regulations and Safety (Frequency Management Dept.)

Research Skills

Machine Learning
Statistical Analysis

Optimization Techniques
Fuzzy Logic

Software Engineering
Image Processing

Funding & Grants

- 2016: Erasmus Phoenix grant for exchange with University of Tampere, Finland.
- 2014: 10 Galileo Boards from Intel Corp.
- 2014-2016: Funding from EMC Academy for Cloud certification for my Cloud Computing Class.
- 2015: 1600 USD from Amazon.com.
- 2014: 3500 USD from Amazon.com.
- 2013: 2000 USD from Amazon.com.

Awards & Honors

- PSUT Academic Award 2021/2022.
- PSUT Academic Award 2019/2020.
- Best Instructor Award for the year 2015 at PSUT.
- Holding 6 recognitions awards from Intel Corporation for performing above expectation.
- Patent submission award at Intel Corp. for discovering a way to automate miniport testing via System BIOS.
- United Nations (UNRWA) undergraduate Scholarship for 5 consecutive years. The scholarship was enough to cover full tuition, books & supplies.
- Dean's List at the University of Jordan 1997.
- Several Awards for: Academic Achievements, Educational Activities, Reading Competitions and Writing in English.

Publications

Journals (All are ISI (SCIE)-indexed, except #2 & #3 which are Scopus-indexed)

1. Belal Sababha, **Amjed Al-mousa**, Remah Baniyounisse, Jawad Bdour "Sampling-Based UAV Air Traffic Integration, Path Planning and Collision Avoidance", *The International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems*, Feb - 2022.
2. **Amjed Al-Mousa** and Haneen Saleh "An intelligent IoT-Based Architecture Towards Efficient Healthcare Facilities", *International Journal of Computing and Digital Systems*, accepted Sep 2021. [With my Student]
3. Mutaz Al-Tarawneh and **Amjed Al-Mousa** "Adaptive User-Oriented Fuzzy-Based Service Broker for Cloud Services", *Journal of King Saud University - Computer and Information Sciences*, Accepted - Nov. 2019.
4. A. Faza and **A. Al-Mousa**, "PSO-Based Optimization toward Intelligent Dynamic Pricing Schemes Parameterization", *Sustainable Cities and Society*, 51, November 2019.
5. **A. Al-Mousa**, B. Sababha, N. Al-Madi, A. Barghouthi and R. Younis. "UTSim: A framework and simulator for unmanned aerial vehicle air traffic integration, control, and communication", *The International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems*, 16(5), September 2019.
6. W. Gharbieh and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Robotic Obstacle Avoidance in a Partially Observable Environment Using Feature Ranking", *International Journal of Robotics and Automation*, 34(5), September 2019. [With my Student]
7. **A. Al-Mousa**, "Cloud computing: Bridging the link between industry and the classroom". *The International Journal of Electrical Engineering & Education*, Published online Jun-2019.
8. **A. Al-Mousa** and A. Faza, "A fuzzy-based customer response prediction model for a day-ahead dynamic pricing system". *Sustainable Cities and Society*, 44, January 2019, pages: 265-274.
9. **A. Al-Mousa**, D. L. Niemann, D. J. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman. "Analysis of Atomic Force Microscopy Data for Surface Characterization Using Fuzzy Logic" *Journal of Material Characterization*, Vol. 62, No. 7, July 2011, Pages 706-715, DOI: 10.1016/j.matchar.2011.04.001.
10. **A. Al-Mousa**, D. L. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman. "Systematic Quantitative Characterization of Surface Nanostructures by Scanning Probe Microscopy of Thin-Films" *Journal of Experimental NanoScience*, Vol. 6, No. 5, 2011, pages 451-463, DOI: 10.1080/17458080903531039.
11. **Al-Mousa**, A. H. Nayfeh, and P. Kachroo, "Control of Rotary Cranes Using Fuzzy Logic," *Shock and Vibration*, Vol. 10, No. 2, 2003, pp. 81-95.
12. Z. N. Masoud, A. H. Nayfeh, and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Delayed Position-Feedback Controller for the Reduction of Payload Pendulations of Rotary Cranes," *Journal of Vibration and Control*, Vol. 9, 2003, pp. 257-277.

Conferences

1. Mahmoud Atari and **A. Al-Mousa** "A Machine-Learning Based Approach for Detecting Phishing URLs", IDSTA 2022, San Antonio, Texas, USA. [\[With my Student\]](#)
2. Ayman Faza and **A. Al-Mousa**, "An Analysis of Profits and Savings in Generation Cost for Different Dynamic Pricing Schemes", JEEIT 2021, Jordan. 10.1109/JEEIT53412.2021.9634138.
3. Abdulrahman Atwah and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Car Accident Severity Classification Using Machine Learning", 3ICT'2021, Bahrain, 29-30 Sep, 2021. (Remote) [\[With my Student\]](#)
4. Nour Abdelhadi and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Diabetes Detection Using Machine Learning Classification Methods", ICIT'2021, Amman, Jordan, 14-15 July, 2021. (Remote) [\[With my Student\]](#)
5. Sewar Khalifeh and **A. Al-Mousa**, "A Book Recommender System Using Collaborative Filtering Method", Data'2021, Petra, Jordan, 5-7 April, 2021. (Virtual) <https://doi.org/10.1145/3460620.3460744> [\[With my Student\]](#)
6. Lina Ahmad and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Identification of Donald Trump's Tweets Using Machine Learning", SSD-CPS'2021, Monastir, Tunisia, 22-25 March, 2021. (Virtual) [\[With my Student\]](#)
7. Zain Bitar, **Amjed Al-Mousa**, "Prediction of Graduate Admission using Multiple Supervised Machine Learning Models" IEEE SouthEastCon 2020, Raleigh, NC, USA, March 2020. (Virtual) [\[With my Student\]](#)
8. Rahma Atallah and **A. Al-Mousa**, "Heart Disease Detection Using Machine Learning Majority Voting Ensemble Method", ICTCS 2019, Amman, Jordan, Oct 2019. [\[With my Student\]](#)
9. **A. Al-Mousa** and O. Al-Dweik, "A Machine Vision Fuzzy-Based Technique for Detection of Defected Pores in AFM Images", The IEEE Jordan International Joint Conference on Electrical Engineering and Information Technology (JEEIT). Amman, Jordan April 2019.
10. **A. Al-Mousa** and A. Alzoubi, "Intelligent Offloading of Reports Processing in Aging Mobile Devices", The 3rd IEEE conference on Cloud & Big Data Computing. San Francisco, USA Aug 2017.
11. **Al-mousa**, "Cloud Vs Mobile Device based Reporting Optimization", First International Engineering Conference, Amman 2014.
12. A. Elkilani, B. Elsheikh Ali, R. Abu Romman, **A. Al-mousa**, B. Sababha "Resident-Aware Green Home", ICASICA 2014. [\[With my Students & Colleague\]](#)
13. K. Abughalieh, W. Qadi, K. Melkon, B. Fakes, B. Sababha, A. Al-mousa "A Compact Portable Object Tracking System", ICICS 2014. [\[With Students & Colleague\]](#)
14. **Al-mousa**, D. L. Niemann, D. J. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman "Surface-Independent Structure Characterization using Fuzzy Logic", ISDRS 2009.
15. **Al-Mousa**, D.L. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman. "Systematic Quantitative Characterization of Surface Nanostructures", NSTI 2009.
16. **Al-Mousa**, D.L. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman. "A Comprehensive Approach for Quantitative Characterization of Nanosturctures by Scanning Probe Microscopy". MRS Spring 2009.
17. **Al-Mousa**, D.L. Niemann, N. G. Gunther, M. Rahman. "A Crystal Recognition Methodology for Systematic Quantitative Characterization of Nano-Scale Crystals". Proc. Mat. Res. Soc., V8.17, March 24-28, 2008.
18. **A. Almousa**, S. Mourad, "Delay Faults in Dual-Rail, Self-Reset Wave-Pipelined Circuits", MWSCAC 2007.
19. **A. A. Al-Mousa**, A. H. Nayfeh, and P. Kachroo, "Control of Rotary Cranes Using Fuzzy Logic," 18th Biennial ASME Conference on Mechanical Vibration and Noise, DETC2001/VIB-21598 Pittsburgh, PA, September 9-12, 2001.

Presentations (Other than conferences)

- IEEE Metro workshop – Big Data & Cloud Computing, Amman, Jordan, March 2016.
- "Hot Research topics in Computer Engineering", Phi Science Conf, Amman, Jordan 2015.
- "A Comprehensive Approach for Quantitative Characterization of Nanosturctures by Scanning Probe Microscopy", SIGMA XI 2009.
- "Control of Rotary Cranes Using Fuzzy Logic", 8th Conf. on Nonlinear Vibrations, stability And Dynamics of structures. Blacksburg, VA 2000.

Conference & Workshop Attendance

- IDSTA 2022, USA
- DATA 2021, Jordan.
- SSD 2021 Tunisia
- IEEE SouthEastCon, Raleigh, NCA, USA
- ICTCS, 2019, Amman, Jordan.
- JEEIT, 2019, Amman, Jordan.
- CBDCOM 2017, San Francisco, USA.
- Phi Science Conference 2015, Amman, Jordan.
- FIEC 2014, Amman, Jordan.
- ICASICA 2014, New York City, NY, USA
- Greylock Data Summit, Linked in Headquarters, Mountain View, CA, USA.
- Strata 2011, Santa Clara, CA, USA.
- ISDRS 2009, College Park, MD, USA
- MRS 2009, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- NSTI 2009 Houston, TX, USA.
- MRS 2008, San Francisco, CA, USA.
- MWSCAS 2007, Montreal Canada.
- ASYNCH 2006, Berkeley, CA, USA.
- 8th Conf. on Nonlinear Vibrations, stability And Dynamics of structures. Blacksburg, VA 2000.

Professional Memberships & Activities

- Sigma Xi.
- IEEE Member since 1997, IEEE senior member in 2013.
- IEEE Computer Society.
- IEEE Systems, Man, and Cybernetics Society.
- IEEE Communications Society
- IEEE Computational Intelligence Society.
- MRS Member since 2008
- Volley ball

Interpersonal Skills

- Problem solving capabilities.
- Excellent communications skills
- Results-oriented.
- Fast learning capabilities.
- Self-motivated.

Technical Skills

- **Programming Languages:**
 - Python, C, Java, Visual Basic, VBS,C#, R, ASP, HTML, Hyper-Script, Lisp, Fortran, Perl, Assembly, Windows Applications Programming and SQL database programming (Informix & Oracle).
 - Verilog, Micro-controllers programming.
- **Operating Systems:** UNIX and Microsoft Windows.
- **Database Systems:** Oracle, Informix, Hadoop.
- **Applications/Tools:** MATLAB, Pentaho, Mentor Graphics, Synopsis, SyniCAD, AutoCAD, ORCAD, DADS, EWB and MS Office.

Certificates

- Project Management.
- Higher Communication Skills.
- Presenting in Technical Environment.
- Pentaho Training.

Reviewer & Referee

- Arabian Journal of Science & Engineering (ISI-Journal)
- International Journal of Advanced Robotic Systems (ISI- Journal)
- International Journal of Electrical Engineering Education (ISI- Journal)
- Journal of Fuzzy System Applications
- SSD 2021

- JJCIT
- ICTCS 2019 & 2017
- NTP 2014
- Maejo International Journal of Science & Technology 2013
- MILCOM 2007
- VTS 2007

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