# Mahmoud LIMAM.

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# **Employment History**

12/2023 - Present

- AI Research Engineer, Digital Research Center of Sfax.
  - Optimizing scene-text image generation (in both the Arabic and Latin scripts): Experimented with several Diffusion-based approaches including model blending, patch-wise generation, different types of conditioning and different training methods.
  - Implemented and adapted several visual and multi-modal architectures (such as Donut, ViTLP, LayoutLMv3 etc..) for invoice information extraction and layout analysis.

09/2023 - 01/2024

### **■** Data Science Consultant.

Some tasks I've worked on:

- Implemented an LLM in a RAG system on a local server for a cybersecurity company. (LangChain & FastAPI)
- Scraped, Cleaned and Analysed E-Commerce data, and built a mini-app for data filtering.
- Implemented a Reinforcement Learning approach for gateway load balancing.

09/2022 - 08/2023

- **AI intern,** Digital Research Center of Sfax.
  - Layout analysis/segmentation on document images using Object Detection & Multi-Modal Models.
  - Studied the capabilities of GANs & Diffusion Models in generating realistic document images.
  - Contributed to the creation of a dataset of synthetic invoice images using image processing techniques.

07/2022

- **AI intern,** Revampr.
  - Implemented deep learning-based approaches for the localization/segmentation of handwritten text at different rotation angles.
  - Created a process for generating artificial image data with structured text using image processing.

10/2021 - 05/2022

■ Instructor of Machine Learning & Data Science, GDSC Enet'Com.

Delivered +20 workshops on Data pre-Processing, Exploratory Analysis, Descriptive Statistics, Dimensionality Reduction, Resampling, Tree-Based Models, Text Classification, Topic Modelling, Outlier Detection, Clustering methods, etc..

07/2021 - 08/2021

- **AI intern,** Pixemantic.
  - Diagnosis of Diabetic Retinopathy in medical images (imbalanced multiclass classification).
  - Trained a CRNN model to recognize handwritten text in images.

# **Education**

2020 - 2023

Engineering Diploma - Masters of Engineering, Data and Decision Systems

Ecole Nationale d'Electroniques et de Télécommunications (Enet'Com).

Thesis title: Applications of Multi-Modal and Diffusion Models in Document Processing and Generation.

2017 - 2020

**■** Pre-Engineering., Math and Physics

Institut Préparatoire aux Etudes d'Ingénieurs de Tunis (IPEIT).

# Some of my Personal Projects

### **■** Brain Tumor Segmentation on MRI Images

I experimented with different U-Net variants (including a multi-modal one) to segment brain tumors in MRI images.

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## **■** Linguistics RAG

Created an Expert in Linguistics using Agentic RAG. (LlamaIndex & Ollama)

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#### Local Deployment of a Machine Learning Model.

I deployed a classifier on a local server using FastAPI for Backend, Streamlit for Frontend, Docker for Containerization, DagsHub and DVC for Version Control and MLFlow for Experiment Tracking.

## Statistical Analysis & Modeling of Kidney Disease Data.

I conducted a thorough statistical analysis of Kidney Disease data and compared different modeling and clustering approaches.

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# Studying Transformer Encoders as a Loss Function for Abstractive Self-Supervised Text Summarization

I designed and experimented with architectures to tackle the difficult problem of unsupervised abstractive text summarization.

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#### Simulation & Optimization of a Manufacturing & Sales Process.

I simulated a simplified process of manufacturing and sales using statistical/probabilistic modeling. I experimented with RL-based and rule-based agents for optimizing sales/profit.

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# Machine Learning-Driven Discovery of Therapeutic Targets for Colorectal Cancer-Associated Pathogenic Bacteria.

I co-supervised an engineering student in a project dealing with CRC treatment by targeting bacteria associated with CRC progression.

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## **Skills**

Machine/Deep Learning

I have been continuously working on ML and DL projects for the last 4 years. I've worked with tabular, image and text data.

Generative Models

I have been working with Generative Models for the past 2 years and have experimented with several optimization techniques in training and inference.

Multi-Modal Models

I have been working with Multi-Modal Models for the past 2 years in the context of Document Image Processing and Layout Analysis.

Languages

Native in Arabic, C<sub>2</sub> in English, and B<sub>1</sub> in French.

# **Certifications**

2020

■ IELTS Academic English Test 8.5/9 - C2. Awarded by British Council.