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Conference Theme

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**ETHICAL
CONSIDERATIONS
IN ENGINEERING
FOR SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT:
INSIGHTS FROM
SOCIAL SCIENCES AND
HUMANITIES**

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Philippines

Preface

We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to all participants attending 5th International Conference on Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities (ICESSU-2025) organized by Mullion Facade Engineering School (Philippines), Bulacan State University (Philippines), University of Batangas (Philippines) and IFERP Academy-Philippines Society on April 09th-10th, 2025. This conference provides a vital platform for researchers, students, academicians, and industry professionals from all over the world to share their latest research results and development activities in the field of Educational Research. It offers delegates an opportunity to exchange new ideas and experiences, establish business or research relationships, and explore global collaborations.

The proceedings for ICESSU-2025 contain the most up-to-date, comprehensive, and globally relevant knowledge in the field of Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities. All submitted papers were subject to rigorous peerreviewing by 2–4 expert referees, and the papers included in these proceedings have been selected for their quality and relevance to the conference. We are confident that these proceedings will not only provide readers with a broad overview of the latest research results in Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities but also serve as a valuable summary and reference for further research in this field.

We are grateful for the support of many universities and research institutes, whose contributions were vital to the success of this conference. We extend our sincerest gratitude and highest respect to the many professors who played an important role in the review process, providing valuable feedback and suggestions to authors to improve their work. We also extend our appreciation to the external reviewers for providing additional support in the review process and to the authors for contributing their research results to the ICESSU-2025.

Since January 2025, the Organizing Committees have received more than 180+ manuscript papers, covering all aspects of ICESSU-2025. After review, approximately 100+ papers were selected for inclusion in the proceedings of ICESSU-2025. We would like to thank all participants at the conference for their significant contribution to its success.

We express our gratitude to the keynote and individual speakers and all participating authors for their dedication and hard work. We also sincerely appreciate the efforts of the technical program committee and all reviewers, whose contributions made this conference possible. Finally, we extend our thanks to all the referees for their constructive comments on all papers, and we express our deepest gratitude to the organizing committee for their tireless work in making this conference a reality.

About ICiESSU 2025

ICiESSU-2025 is 5th International Conference on Engineering, Social Sciences, And Humanities, which is scheduled to take place on the 09th & 10th of April 2025 in the Philippines. This is organized by the IFERP Academy-Philippines Society.

The goal of this international conference on multidisciplinary research and education is to provide a stage for researchers, scholars, and practitioners to share knowledge on the latest technological advancements. If you want to spread awareness of your incredible research findings and other work, this conference allows you to present your papers and articles in reputed journals.

Currently, multidisciplinary research has become the most viable and efficient way to solve the problem. In this era of rapidly changing society, many kinds of socio-economic problems, related to other disciplines such as politics, anthropology, psychology, have arisen which require a holistic approach to find their solution.

By emphasising on collaborative multidisciplinary research, the "5th ICiESSU-2025", will offer the following benefits to participants -

1. Access To Expertise ; **2.** Stimulates Out-Of-The-Box Thinking ; **3.** Formal Division of Labour ; **4.** Collaboration Reduces The Isolation of Researchers ; **5.** Transfer of Knowledge & Skills; **6.** Increased Visibility of Work

Purpose the Conference

The International conference provides a stage for meaningful discussions around the latest developments, current issues, and challenges in the fields of engineering, social science, and humanities. By bringing together experts from different parts of the world, ICiESSU 2025 aims to promote innovation and inspire new ideas.

Participants will engage in informative sessions that showcase innovative solutions, emerging technologies, and best practices, fostering an environment conducive to learning and networking. Ultimately, this conference aims to encourage progress and multi-disciplinary collaboration. This International engineering conference will also focus on empowering individuals and organizations to contribute to the collective advancement of innovation worldwide.

Objective the Conference

ICiESSU - 2025 aims to bring engineering, Social Science, and Humanities research areas on a global platform. By providing a stage for collaboration, ICiESSU aims to enhance the application of research in practical contexts. You can refine your skills, exchange ideas, and build networks by engaging with experts, high-level delegates, and peers. 5th International Conference on Engineering, Social Sciences and Humanities (ICiESSU) isn't merely a conference; it's a collaborative initiative that actively shapes the research trajectory and its applications.

Join us in Manila, Philippines, from April 09th to 10th, 2025, to embrace the journey and empower the future of interdisciplinary knowledge. Register now and become a catalyst for progress at ICiESSU 2025, where each moment is an opportunity to contribute to a transformative and innovative future.

About IFERP

IFERP Academy is a non-profitable professional association meant for research and development in the fields of Engineering, Science & Technology. With a global presence, IFERP is committed to advancing knowledge across diverse disciplines through international conferences, workshops, and scholarly publications. We provide help, assistance, and direction in preparation for SCI and SCIE journal publishing. These journals undergo a rigorous peer-review process to ensure the quality publication of the most fascinating findings on Arts & Science, Management, Engineering, and Technology.

IFERP has established robust scientific, academic, and industry networks throughout Asia, the Middle East, and Europe. Some of the countries that IFERP has its presence, include Iraq, Maldives, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines, Indonesia, Taiwan, Vietnam, UAE, Australia, Japan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Ghana, and Africa. As a hub for educational and research initiatives, IFERP plays a pivotal role in shaping the landscape of global academia, fostering innovation, and contributing to the advancement of knowledge across borders.

What We Do?

- » We encourage convenient access to academic resources and support for all the aspirants and research scholars in urban and rural areas.
- » IFERP organizes public education programmes, Workshops, Conferences, Webinars, Seminars, Guest Lectures, Short Term Training Programme, Faculty Development programme in the field of Engineering, Science & Technology.
- » IFERP is dedicated to inquisitiveness, innovations and recent trends and developments in the field of Engineering & Technology.
- » IFERP believes in knowledge sharing by collaborating with other Universities, organizations/Associations, to bring a better tomorrow.

Mission

Upskilling the knowledge hub through technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity

Vision

A Digitally equipped robust, dynamic & swift professional community integrating academics & industry for upgraded technical knowledge implementation

Value

IFERP values the restoration of high-level technological research, learning, collaboration, resource sharing & community-building traditions

Goal

To serve as the foundation for all technological progress and advancement activities around the world

From IFERP'S Director



Mr. A. Siddh Kumar Chhajer

MD & Founder, IFERP
Technoarete Group

On behalf of IFERP & the organizing Committee, I express my hearty gratitude to the Participants, Keynote Speakers, Delegates, Reviewers and Researchers.

The goal of the 5th International Conference on Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities (ICESSU-2025) is to provide knowledge enrichment and innovative technical exchange between international researchers or scholars and practitioners from the academia and industries in the field of Educational Research.

This conference creates solutions in different ways and to share innovative ideas in the field of Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities. ICESSU-2025 provides a world class stage to the Researchers, Professionals, Scientists, Academicians and Students to engage in very challenging conversations, assess the current body of research and determine knowledge and capability gaps.

5th International Conference on Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities (ICESSU-2025) will explore the new horizons of innovations from distinguished Researchers, Scientists and Eminent Authors in academia and industry working for the advancements in Science

and Engineering from all over the world. ICESSU-2025 hopes to set the perfect platform for participants to establish careers as successful and globally renowned specialists in the field of Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities.

From IFERP'S CEO



Mr. Rudra Bhanu Satpathy

CEO & Founder, IFERP
Technoarete Group

IFERP is hosting the 5th International Conference on Engineering, Social-Sciences and Humanities (ICESSU-2025) this year in month of April, 2025. The main objective of ICESSU-2025 is to grant the amazing opportunity to learn about groundbreaking developments in modern industry, talk through difficult workplace scenarios with peers who experience the same pain points and experience enormous growth and development as a professional. There will be no shortage of continuous networking opportunities and informational sessions. The sessions serve as an excellent opportunity to soak up information from widely respected experts.

Connecting with fellow professionals and sharing the success stories of your firm is an excellent way to build relations and become known as a thought leader. I express my hearty gratitude to all my Colleagues, Staffs, Professors, Reviewers and Members of Organizing Committee for their hearty and dedicated support to make this conference successful. I am also thankful to all our delegates for their pain staking effort to make this conference successful.

Workshop Speakers



Title: Solving Real-World Problems with AI at the Edge

Mr. Paul Ryan Santiago

Faculty Member, ECE Department,
Bulacan State University, Philippines



Title: Ethical Considerations in Engineering for Sustainable Deveopment

Dr. Marizen B. Contreras, PIE, MSME

Associate Professor III, College of Engineering,
University of Batangas, Philippines

Exclusive Speakers



Title: Digital Transformation in Research, Extension, and Innovation in Higher Education Institutions

Dr. Keno C. Paid

Vice President for Research, Extension, and Innovation
Bulacan State University, Philippines



Title: Promoting Futures Thinking Literacy in STEM Education

Mr. Ronilo P. Antonio

College of Education,
Bulacan State University, Philippines



Title: Artificial Intelligence Utilization Scale for Research Writing

Dr. Joseline M. Santos

Director, Research Management Office,
Bulacan State University, Philippines

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Sudhakar Kumarasamy

Faculty of Mechanical and Automotive Engineering
Principal research fellow at Automotive Engineering Centre
Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al Sultan Abdullah, Malaysia.

With over ten years of experience in energy engineering and management, Sudhakar Kumarasamy is a Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Mechanical and Automotive Engineering Technology, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) and Principal Research fellow at Automotive Engineering Centre, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP). He is a Chartered Mechanical Engineer (CEng) registered with the Institution of Engineers India, Chartered Solar Engineer registered with Solar Energy Society of India and a Certified Energy Manager (CEM) and Auditor (CEA) by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Government of India. He has developed and taught courses on various topics related to energy, such as internal combustion engines, Thermodynamics, Heat transfer, Fluid mechanics, renewable energy, energy conservation, and energy policy. As a researcher and academic leader, he has received multiple awards and recognition for his outstanding contributions to the field of energy engineering and sustainability. He has supervised and mentored more than 10 PhD and 45 Masters students and published over 190 journal papers with more than 10,000 citations. He has also secured and managed over 30 research projects from international, national, and

industry partners, with a total value of over 27 million INR and MYR 0.5 million. He is currently an Associate Editor of Frontiers in Energy Research, & Heliyon a high-impact journal in his field. His mission is to advance the knowledge and practice of energy engineering and management and to contribute to the sustainable development of the community as a whole.

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Mohd Sapuan Salit

Head, Advanced Engineering Materials & Composites Research Centre (AEMC), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Malaysia.

Professor Mohd Sapuan Salit is Professor (Grade A) of composite materials, Department of Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering, Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), and Head of Advanced Engineering Materials & Composite Research Centre, UPM. He earned BEng in Mechanical Engineering, University of Newcastle, Australia, MSc in Engineering Design, Loughborough University, UK and PhD in Material Engineering, De Montfort University, UK. He is Professional Engineer, and Fellow of the World Academy of Sciences, Society of Automotive Engineers International, International Artificial Intelligence Industry Alliance, Academy of Sciences Malaysia, International Society for Development and Sustainability, Plastic & Rubber Institute Malaysia, Malaysian Scientific Association, International Biographical Association and Institute of Material Malaysia. He is Honorary Member of Asian Polymer Association and Founding Chairman and Honorary Member of Society of Sugar Palm Development & Industry, Malaysia. He is an Honorary Adjunct Professor at National Textile University, Pakistan, and currently a visiting professor at UNITEN, Malaysia and BRIN, Indonesia. He is Editor in Chief of Journal of Natural Fibre Polymer Composites, co-editor-in-chief of Functional Composites and Structures and editorial board member of 30 journals. He has produced over

2000 publications including over 988 journal papers, 68 books, and 250 chapters in book. He has delivered 75 plenary and keynote lectures, and 150 invited lectures. He organized 33 journal special issues as guest editor, reviewed 1500 journal papers and has 8 patents. He successfully supervised 100 PhD and 75 MSc students and 16 postdoctoral researchers. His h-index is 124 with 54,317 citations (Google Scholar). He received ISESCO Science Award, Khwarizimi International Award, National Book Award, Endeavour Research Promotion Award, Citation of Excellence Award, Emerald, UK, Malaysia's Research Star Award, Publons Peer Review Award, USA, Professor of Eminence Award and Top Research Scientists' Malaysia Award. He was listed in World Top 2% Scientists, Stanford University, USA. He received SAE Subir Chowdhury Medal of Quality Leadership, International Society of Bionic Engineering Outstanding Contribution Award, China, Ikon Akademia 2022, Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia, The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS) Award in Engineering Sciences, Materials Science Leader Award by Research.com, IET Malaysia Leadership Award, William Johnson International Gold Medal, Life Time Achievement KnowTex Award and COMSTech Best Scientific Book Award.

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Pradeep Kumar Krishnan

Senior Lecturer, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, National University of Science and Technology (NUST) Oman.

Dr. Pradeep Kumar Krishnan is a Senior Faculty member in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering at the College of Engineering, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman. He is a Certified Manufacturing Engineer (CMfgE) accredited by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) and has over 16 years of experience in teaching and research across India, Malaysia, and Oman. Dr. Pradeep holds a Ph.D. from NIT, specializing in production processes, material characterization, and the mechanical behavior of engineering materials. His research interests span advanced manufacturing, materials science, and industrial engineering. He has received numerous accolades, including Best Faculty Awards, Young Researcher Awards, Promising Scientist Awards, and Best Research Presentation Awards. An active researcher, he has authored over 35 research papers and book chapters in high-impact national and international journals and has presented at more than 50 national and international conferences. Additionally, he has participated in over 100 seminars and webinars and attended several short-term training programs and faculty development workshops worldwide. Beyond research and publication, Dr. Pradeep is deeply committed to mentoring and

supervising undergraduate and graduate students, guiding them to successful academic and professional careers.

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Rommel Banlaoi

Chairman of the Board
Philippine Confucius Center
Philippines.

Rommel Banlaoi (pronounced as Ban La Wi), PhD is a prominent Philippine political scientist, international relations expert, and security analyst, specializing in Philippine foreign relations, counterterrorism, counterinsurgency, security and peace research as well as conflict studies in Asia including the South China Sea disputes. As the Chairman of the Philippine Institute for Peace, Violence, and Terrorism Research (PIPVTR), his work often examines the nexus between local extremist organizations, particularly the Abu Sayyaf Group and transnational terrorist networks like ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) and Al-Qaeda. As President of the Philippine Society for International Security Studies (PSISS), his views on Philippine foreign and security relations focus on balancing Philippine engagements with China, the US and key countries in Asia and Europe. He is often quoted by media and his numerous publications are frequently cited in policy and academic discussions. In July 2022, Dr. Banlaoi was nominated and designated as a Deputy National Security Adviser with the rank of Undersecretary where he led the transition process at the National Security Council Secretariat. But he has resumed his work as an independent academic and non-government policy expert. He is currently

Chairman of the Board of Advisers of the China Studies Center at the School of International Relations of New Era University, the Philippines, Non-resident research fellow at the Huayang Institute for Maritime Cooperation and Ocean Governance, member of the International Panel of Experts at the Maritime Awareness Project of the National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR), and member of the Management Board of the World Association for Chinese Studies (WACS). He served as President of the Philippine Association for Chinese Studies (PACS) and visiting professors at various universities in China, Europe and Asia. With more than 35 years of academic and think-tank experiences, Dr. Banlaoi served as a Professorial Lecturer at the International Studies Department of Miriam College, Professor of Political Science at the National Defense College of the Philippines (NDCP), Assistant Professor of International Studies at De La Salle University (DLSU), Instructor in Political Science at the University of the Philippines Los Banos (UPLB) and University Research Associate at the University of the Philippines Diliman (UPD) where he finished his BA and MA in Political Science and took his PhD in Political Science (ABD). He earned his PhD in International Relations at Jinan University in Guangzhou, China. Dr. Banlaoi received in

June 2021 the Award for Outstanding Contribution in the Promotion of Philippines-China Understanding offered by the Association of Philippines-China Understanding (APCU) and the Chinese Embassy in the Philippines. On the occasion of the 2016 World CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) Congress Day in Mumbai, India, he received the Award for Outstanding Contribution to Humanitarian and Social Cause. Because of his involvement in peace education, terrorism research and non-violence studies, he received in 2011 the Albani Peace Prize Award for Peace Education. Thus, Dr. Banlaoi has been called [“the father of Philippine counter-

terrorism research”, the “leading Philippine scholar” studying radical Islam and Philippine national security, and renown Sinologist in the Philippines.

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Pastor R. Arguelles Jr.

Director, Research and Publication Office
University of Batangas, Lipa Campus Lipa City,
Batangas, Philippines.

Dr. Pastor Arguelles JR is an internationally recognized scientist, professor, and researcher in Computer Studies with over 28 years of experience in academia. Currently serving as the Dean of the College of Computer Studies for 12 years, he has an extensive background in software development, having worked with top organizations such as Arc Angel Corporation, Accenture Philippines, and ITF Inc. He is an active speaker at international conferences and a member of several esteemed committees, including the ASEAN-India Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation Research Project Team (2025–2027) and the Department of Science and Technology's technical evaluation panels. His research areas focus on Machine Learning, AI, and Technology Education, and he holds multiple certifications, including ISO 9001:2015 Auditor and Microsoft Technology Associate.

About Keynote Speaker



Dr. Mona Labial – Laya

University of the Immaculate Conception
Research Ethics Committee Chair
Philippines.

Dr. Mona Laya is an accomplished academic and researcher, currently serving as the Chair of the Research Ethics Committee at the University of the Immaculate Conception. She holds a PhD in Organization Studies from the University of Southeastern Philippines, as well as a Master's in Public Administration, with a focus on Organization Studies, and a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Ateneo de Davao University. Her academic and professional contributions extend beyond the classroom, with active involvement in university service, including her role as Internal Auditor for ISO 21001:2018 and her participation in strategic planning initiatives. Dr. Laya is also a member of several research-related committees, such as the Technical Review Committee and the National Research Council of the Philippines. She is the Editor-in-Chief of ARETE, a prominent academic journal. Dr. Laya has collaborated on numerous research projects, including an ongoing, United Board-funded initiative aimed at reducing malnutrition in Davao City's undernourished barangays. Her research interests are diverse, spanning topics such as organizational studies, mental health, online learning, and work ethics. She has authored and co-authored a wide range of studies,

several of which have been presented at national and international conferences. Committed to ethical research practices, Dr. Laya has attended extensive training in research ethics, contributing to her expertise in the field. She is particularly focused on applying ethical standards in academic and healthcare research, having participated in numerous national and international ethics training programs. Dr. Laya's academic rigor and dedication to research excellence have earned her recognition and a strong academic reputation, including an h-index of 2, underscoring the impact of her scholarly work.

About Session Speaker



Mr. Deepak Dasaratha Rao

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Deepak Dasaratha Rao is a technologist with 25 years experience in software R&D and worked for large product companies. He has experience in software R&D and developed for Embedded Systems, Smartphone platforms, Data Wireless Communication, Cloud, AI, IoT, Connected Vehicle Telematics, Automotive, Consumer Electronics, Connected Healthcare, Bio-medical, Wearable products. He has developed several first-of-its-kind innovative software products, devised strategy and reached differentiated products as a solution architect, product manager, technology leader and innovator. Experienced in designing embedded system-based software architecture, technically leading full stack development for software platforms, system software, middleware, solutions, services and applications. Deepak Rao has worked on software products for Connected Car, Smartphones, Connected Devices Platform, Wearables, Smart Home Setup Box, Robotics. He has published several international papers in journals and conferences. He has contributed as a journal reviewer for many research publications in the area of wireless communication and computer science. He is a Fellow of RSA (UK), Fellow of The Institution of

Engineers (India), Fellow of The Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) India.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Vickneswari Durairajah

Deputy Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment, and Information Technology (FEBEIT), MAHSA University Malaysia.

Ts. Vickneswari Durairajah is a distinguished academician who is currently the Deputy Dean Faculty of Engineering, Building Environment and Information Technology at MAHSA University with over 20 years of experience in education sector. She has also served as the Head of Department of Mechatronics Engineering. She also a certified Professional Technologist (PTech-MBoT) and Engineering Technologist (Eng.Tech-BEM), she has made significant contributions to engineering education and innovation. Ts. Vickneswari has vast experience in curriculum development, academic excellence, pedagogical innovation, research initiatives, accreditation, ranking audits, policy development and people management. As an active Mentor, many teams were driven to success in numerous competitions, notably guiding teams to winning awards in numerous platforms both locally and internationally. She also active in research where her area of interest in research is Biomedical devices, disable assistive device, robotics, AI, machine vision, IOT and mechatronics. She is a leader and innovator who has continuously contributing to shape the future of engineering education with her dedication and expertise.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Muhamad Firdaus Syahmi Bin Sam-on

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Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Selangor, Malaysia.

Muhamad Firdaus Syahmi bin Sam-On is a dedicated and accomplished Senior Lecturer specializing in Microbiology, with a profound passion for research and academic excellence. He obtained his Bachelor of Science in Microbiology in 2020 and subsequently finished a PhD in the same field from Universiti Putra Malaysia in 2023. Additionally, his expertise in farming and biotechnology has equipped him with valuable skills in pests and pathogens management, laboratory protocols, and problem-solving. Throughout his academic journey, Muhamad Firdaus Syahmi has exhibited a keen interest in exploring microbial pathogens and their potential applications in various fields, particularly in aquaculture and food safety. His doctoral research focused on evaluating the efficacy of *Bacillus* spp. as probiotics against pathogens causing Vibriosis and Aeromonosis, which culminated in several high-impact publications in esteemed journals like Microbial Pathogenesis and Food Bioscience. Serving as a Senior Lecturer at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Muhamad Firdaus Syahmi continues to improve his passion for teaching and research. His interdisciplinary approach and innovative methodologies have earned him recognition in the field

of microbiology, and his target is to make a lasting impact on scientific knowledge and understanding. He is fluent in both Malay and English languages and always eager to learn more from his colleagues and peers in the industry. Please feel free to contact Muhamad Firdaus Syahmi Sam-on on this platform for any comments or questions related to microbiology and biotechnology.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Mazlee Mohd Noor

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Dr. Mazlee Mohd Noor is an Associate Professor at Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Technology, Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP), Malaysia. He is also an Associate Research Fellow at the Centre of Excellence for Frontier Materials Research, UniMAP. He received his PhD in Materials Engineering from Universiti Malaysia Perlis in 2010. He has published over 100 papers related to heat treatment, microstructural analysis, testing, characterization and failure analysis of non-ferrous alloys, ferrous alloys, metal and ceramic matrix composites. Dr. Mazlee has given invited talks at several conferences and carried out a good deal of engineering testing and consultancy services to various public authorities and private industries in Malaysia. He has over 20 years of experience researching and developing metal matrix composite and ceramic matrix composite materials. His current research activity focusing on support catalyst of porous ceramic composites for carbon dioxide adsorption.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Tahir Sufi

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Dr. Tahir Sufi is a Full Professor at the School of Business & Economics at Universidad de las Américas Puebla (UDLAP), México. He has an extensive background in academia and the hospitality industry, with over 20 years of experience working with prestigious academic institutions and renowned hotel brands such as Le Meridien, Hilton, and Best Western. His expertise lies in Hospitality Marketing Management, Strategic Management, and Entrepreneurship. Dr. Sufi holds a PhD in Business Administration and a master's in management from Sheffield Hallam University in the UK. Dr. Sufi is an accomplished author, having written the Principles of Hotel Star Ratings textbook. He also serves as a reviewer for six International Journals published by Emerald, Routledge, Taylor & Francis, and IGI International. Additionally, he serves on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Business Strategy, Finance and Management, International Journal of Innovation in Management, Economics, and Social Sciences, and is an Academic Editor of the International Journal of Innovation in Marketing Elements and the Journal of Data Analytics. Prior to his current role at UDLAP, Dr. Sufi worked as a professor and deputy director at Amity University, India,

as associate dean at Lovely Professional University India, and as principal director of various colleges in India.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Mahmoud Khalifa

Professor of Political Science, Suez Canal University - Egypt
Visiting Professor, ALM College for Higher Education
United Kingdom.

Mahmoud Khalifa is a visiting professor of public policy at Almaktoom College for Higher Education in the UK and an accomplished academic in Political Science with a focus on public policy issues. In 2011, Mahmoud joined the University of Lincoln in the United Kingdom as a Visiting Fellow. During his time there, he engaged in research and academic activities related to his area of expertise. In 2013, he completed his Ph.D. degree at Suez Canal University under the supervision of Professor Hugh Bochel from the University of Lincoln (UK). In 2018, he was promoted to Associate Professor, further solidifying his academic standing. Then, in 2023, Mahmoud achieved the prestigious position of Full Professor of Political Science. Mahmoud Khalifa is an active member of several professional associations, including the Political Studies Association (PSA) and the Social Policy Association (SPA), both based in the United Kingdom. These memberships provide him with opportunities to network with other scholars, exchange ideas, and stay updated on the latest developments in his field. In recognition of his commitment to teaching and learning, Mahmoud received the Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA) status in 2018. This designation is awarded by

the Higher Education Academy in the United Kingdom to individuals who demonstrate excellence in teaching and a commitment to professional development. Further cementing his teaching expertise, Mahmoud attained the Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (SFHEA) status in 2022. Mahmoud Khalifa has made significant contributions to the academic community through his research. He has published 25 articles in Scopus Indexed Journals, which indicates the quality and impact of his work. These publications serve to disseminate his findings and insights to a wider audience, contributing to the advancement of knowledge in the field of Political Science. Overall, Mahmoud Khalifa's educational background, research interests, academic positions, professional memberships, student supervision, teaching accolades, and research publications collectively reflect his expertise and dedication to Political Science, particularly concerning public policy issues.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Gurmeet Singh

Vice Principal, Head to the P.G. Department of Mathematics
GSSDGS Khalsa College (Autonomous)
Patiala, Punjab, India.

Dr Gurmeet Singh completed his post graduation and Maste of Philosophy in Mathematics from renowned Punjab University, Chandigarh and earned his doctorate from the reputed Maharishi Markandeshwar University, Mullana with a special focus on the special branch of Complex Analysis known as Geometric Function Theory. He has 31 years of teaching experience. He has more than 100 research contributions to his credit, which are published in refereed and indexed journals, more than books and has delivered about 15 Keynote addresses in international conferences, some of them to mention here are Oxford University, Imperial College, London, M L Sukhadia university, Udaipur, and delivered invited talks in about 30 international conferences worldwide. He has authored books on Topology, Differential Equations, Differentiable Manifolds, Number Theory for post graduate students and many for undergraduate students. He has published three books in Germany as well. He is serving as editorial member and reviewer for numerous journals. He has organized and hosted an international conference in collaboration with IMRF. He has delivered many national and international sessions on Geometric Function Theory and Topology. He was bestowed with prestigious Pythagoras Research Award by Photon

Foundation in 2015, Best paper award once by IMRF and once by IAENG, Imperial College, London in 2015, IMRF excellence award in 2016, Shrestha Acharya award by Manav Kalyan Parishad in 2018, Indo Asian Alan Turing Distinguished Mathematician Award by IMRF in 2020, Aryabhatta Global mathematician Award by Brave Souls organization, Lifetime Achievement Award by Forum for Interdisciplinary Research Methods, Outstanding Educator and Scholar Award by National Foundation for Entrepreneurship Development (NFED), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, AMP National Award for Excellence in Education by Association of Muslim Professionals, Aligarh in 2022, Distinguished Fellow of NFED and Outstanding Researcher Award by Maharishi Markandeshwar University, Mullana in 2024. In commemorating his laudable academic services, he has been bestowed with Lifetime Achievement Award on 5th September 2024 by National Foundation for Entrepreneurship Development (NFED), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu in its 15th National Teachers' Day Awards. Currently, he is serving as the Vice Principal and Associate Professor & Head to the P.G. Department of Mathematics at GSSDGS Khalsa College (Autonomous), Patiala, Punjab.

About Session Speaker



Dr. Sudhir Narayan Singh

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Presently, she continues to make her mark in the field as an Officer for External Affairs within the National Governing Council of IPCAP. She also holds the position of Ex-Officio in PGCA Batangas Chapter. Her commitment to the mental health field is further demonstrated by her active lifetime membership in the Philippine Mental Health Association and her involvement in other mental health organizations, such as the Philippine Association for Child and Play Therapy. Dr. Glad has also demonstrated her innovative spirit by initiating several impactful programs. She spearheaded Project GIYA, a commendable initiative that provides free capability training for non-licensed counseling practitioners working in public schools, thereby enhancing the quality of counseling services available to students. Dr. Gladi also initiated I-GUIDE, a program that extends financial assistance to Persons with

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Dr. Gladi has been honored with various prestigious awards and recognitions, highlighting her remarkable contributions and leadership in the field. The Philippine Guidance Counseling Association – Batangas Chapter recognized her outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the organization, underscoring her commitment

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Strengthening Meaningful Participation: Deliberative Democracy in Lawmaking

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Constitutional Court Decision Number 91/PUU-XVIII/2020 concerning the formal testing of Law Number 11 of 2020 concerning Job Creation, brings an expansion of the meaning of public participation. The decision states that public participation in the formation of laws needs to be carried out in a meaningful manner (meaningful participation). The goal is to create real community participation and involvement, which so far has only been procedural. Community participation is of course intended so that ideas for the formation of laws do not always have to emerge from the political elite alone. Doctrinal legal research method with secondary data base. Combining the methods of deliberative democracy and meaningful participation in the formation of the Act is needed so that public discourse is created: everything that concerns the lives of many people (the Act) is not only the domain of the government (DPR, DPD and President) but also involves the community with equal position. One of the innovations that must be done is the maximum use of Information Technology. Thus, the Act that is formed is not only procedurally valid but also substantively correct. So that the law that is born is a law that has high value and validity which will ultimately provide benefits not only in the formation of the law but further as a means to lead to the development of a national legal system.

Keywords:

Meaningful Participation, Deliberative Democracy, Lawmaking

Exploring the Use of Technology in Teaching Vocabulary in Junior High Schools

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Abstract:

This study explores the use of technology in language teaching in junior high schools, emphasizing its effects on student involvement and academic achievement. The study was carried out at two schools located in Kecamatan Gunung Omeh, with four teachers participating. Data were gathered by classroom observations and interviews to comprehend the implementation and results of technology-enhanced educational methods. The results indicated that the integration of technology markedly enhanced student engagement and academic performance. Interactive platforms such as Wordwall and Kahoot! offered stimulating activities and competitive games that encouraged students to engage actively in vocabulary development. The Quizlet flashcard technique also assisted students by improving their capacity to memorize vocabulary efficiently. Teachers exhibited creative approaches in incorporating these technologies into their pedagogical practices, resulting in a more engaging and effective vocabulary acquisition experience. This study highlights the transformative capacity of technology in vocabulary training. Nonetheless, it highlights the importance for sufficient infrastructural support and extensive teacher training for successfully using the benefits of technology in educational environments. These processes are crucial for ensuring the efficient utilization of technology tools to improve the quality of teaching and learning in educational settings.

Keywords:

Junior High School, Technology, Vocabulary

AI Innovative Approaches in Personalized Marketing Strategies through Prompt Engineering

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Abstract:

This paper explores the revolutionary impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) on digital marketing, focusing on the critical role of prompt engineering. By enabling personalized marketing strategies, prompt engineering enhances customer engagement, segmentation, and marketing automation. It empowers businesses to fine-tune their approaches using technologies such as voice interfaces, augmented reality, and SEO optimization, leading to proactive customer acquisition. The study emphasizes the emerging potential of combining neuromarketing with AI prompt engineering to detect customers' such as physically and psychological states in real-time, providing hyper-personalized recommendations based on past consumption patterns and health data. This integration is seen as pivotal in reshaping digital marketing, offering businesses the ability to adapt dynamically to customer needs.

Dynamic content recommendation systems are highlighted as pivotal in reshaping future marketing strategies by allowing real-time adaptation to customer needs. The paper concludes that prompt engineering is an invaluable tool, still in its nascent stage, but with the potential to transform digital marketing significantly. Those who leverage this technology early are poised to lead in the forthcoming marketing revolution. The integration of these technologies is portrayed as the key to maximizing the utility of AI models, offering a glimpse into a future where digital marketing is profoundly personalized and efficient.

Keywords:

Artificial Intelligence, Prompt Engineering, Digital Marketing, Personalized Marketing, Machine Learning, Marketing Automation

Enhanced IoT System Security Through Artificial Intelligence

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Abstract:

Industries were revolutionized by the Internet of Things (IoT) with seamless connectivity between devices but introduced significant security threats such as unauthorized access and data breaches. As IoT networks evolve and grow, traditional security measures fail to keep pace, highlighting the need for advanced solutions. Integrating Artificial Intelligence (AI) into IoT systems has emerged as a potential solution to improve security by offering adaptive, real-time threat detection, anomaly identification, and automatic countermeasures against cyber-attacks. First such approaches as machine learning and deep learning are working with huge amounts of data and spotting abnormal patterns and behaviours that quickly allows to identify suspicious threats. Hence, AI-based systems can be useful for improving Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS), optimizing security protocols, better protection against unauthorized access, and help minimize the risk of cyber-attacks. What is more, AI helps with predictive analytics, which enables IoT networks to predict and solve risks before they become real. With AI integration, IoT systems can even implement self-healing mechanisms to automatically recover from attacks. However, challenges such as computational power and data privacy, AI uses significantly improve IoT security offering a more flexible, undetected, and much more durable defence against impending threats. Integrating AI with IoT enables organizations to secure and maintain the safety and reliability of their network of devices within an ever more complex cyber threat landscape.

The Effectiveness of Community Counselling in Helping Clients

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Abstract:

Community counselling is an intervention used to assist communities in overcoming barriers, so that barriers are resolved, this intervention promotes an understanding of multi-cultural and social justice in society. In helping clients, counsellors must have good knowledge, skills, and attitudes, this is very important because community counsellors are the ones who provide help services to clients so they must really be competent. The purpose of this research is to see the effectiveness of community counselling in helping clients. This research method uses the Systematic Literature Review (SLR) method using the PRISMA flow (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) and uses the PICO (Population, Intervention, Comparison/Control, Outcome) method to extract data from the results of the studies reviewed. The study population was 6 journals that fulfilled the criteria. The results of this study indicate that community counselling is effective in helping clients, especially oppressed or disadvantaged clients, although the level of effectiveness of each study varies. Therefore, community counselling is recommended to be used to help clients. This study has limited resources and specific guidelines for the implementation of community counselling, so this can be a recommendation for future research.

Keywords:

Community Counselling, Helping Clients, Counsellor, Helping Professions

What Kind(s) of Activity Motivates Gen-Z Students Best in E-Learning?

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Abstract:

The existence of e-learning has raised huge opportunities that anyone can learn anything, anywhere, anytime (Surjono, 2022). Green and Gilbert (1995) in Alexander (2001) even mention that this kind of environment of online activities boosts productivity among those whose learning process is still in need. Therefore, the output of a person finishing their learning through e-learning depends on what activity they engage with. Gen-Z is known for those who were born between mid-1990 to early 2000. In their research, Persada et al. (2020) mentions that Gen-Z is identified as the generation of Mobile and App Native as they were born where internet has already been mature. They are also open to things including educational ones such as e-learning. Eventhough many research mention how e-learning leads to students' understanding, there is no particular research that discusses specific activities that interest and foster gen-Z in studying using e-learning. This research showed that quiz becomes the most exciting activity for gen-Z students, while material delivery through pdf files reveals to be the least motivating one.

Keywords:

e-learning, Online Activities, Gen-Z students

Gendered Experiences of Trauma and the Role of Nature in Post-victimology in *The Island of Missing Trees*

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Abstract:

Socio-political and religious turmoil generate divergent experiences for men and women. Civil war and ethnic conflicts are among many other chaotic situations that create corporeal and spiritual distress to the residents of any community. In *The Island of Missing Trees*, Elif Shafak exposes the consequences of the civil war between Greek and Turkish Cypriots that took place during 1960 to 1970's. The violence of the war and the disappointment caused by such incidents had significant effects on human and natural world. Like any others social and political emergency the sufferings of women in the novel are more strenuous than the sufferings of men. In the novel Shafak speaks not only for human but also for nature. In her presentation, natural world and its degrading status due to human made anarchy are vividly portrayed. Fig tree, a representation of nature and femininity becomes an instrument to highlight women's sufferings during war. Besides presenting their sufferings, Shafak does not hesitate to mention their resilience in such chaotic situation. The ability of the fig tree to survive the war and to adjust in a new environment as well as the survival of the female characters in the novel resonates with Vandana Shiva's concept of post victimology. The term asserts the possibility and chances of nature to survive war and to adjust with a new situation. This research contributes to contemporary literary studies by foregrounding the interplay between gender, trauma, and environmental narratives in fostering pathways toward collective resilience.

Keywords:

Civil War, Ethnic Conflict, 'Fig Tree', Post-victimology, Gendered Experiences

Strengthening Emotional Intelligence (EI) of Engineering Students thru Artificial Intelligence (AI) using RON Educational Approach

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Education 5.0 is on a fast pace run these post-Covid years where educators must adapt and enhance their respective curriculum design thru incorporation of chatbots, virtual tutors & educational assistants which is all driven by Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Traditional method of a live lecture in a classroom setting was flipped to a pre-recorded lecture uploaded thru Google Classroom with handouts of pdf lectures and discussion, then students per individual can ask a chatbot with inquiries that are not fully understood which enhance an adaptive learning experience. This AI can generate quiz exclusively for the student and assessment of result is submitted.

After learning on their own pace, these students will interact in a live classroom setting where their individual Emotional Intelligence is monitored & recorded thru a set of questionnaires and checklist by grouping each other and tackle an engineering design problem or engineering project related to lecture previously viewed online that ensures a cooperative learning environment.

Data collected from 210 students with 3 semestral period indicates that emotional intelligence of most student varied from 53 to 72% increase with respect to their initial assessment. This data indicates that AI can augment one of the most seek out factor of our engineering graduate in successful industries & companies here and abroad.

Keywords:

Education 5.0, Emotional Intelligence, Artificial Intelligence, Flipped Classroom, Cooperative Learning

Comparative Study on Social Determinants for Health

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The article focuses on comparing some social determinants of health in Northeast Asian Countries to find out similarities and differences in the indicators of the countries. Social determinants of health are a crucial and more important than health care and contribution of health system for health of the population.

The study is comparative and a quantitative study with multi-parameters on social determinants of health in Northern Asian countries. Data of the study is extracted from the report on Human Development Index 2020–2021, WHO, World Health Statistics 2022 and other available internationally recognized secondary data base.

The study consists of comparative analysis of social determinants of health, comparative analysis of environmental determinants of health and comparative analysis of health indicators in the countries of Northeast Asian Countries.

Study concludes that although the countries of the region belong to very high and high human development indexed countries there are big differences in GDP per capita and poverty related indicators that are signs of inequality and disparities in social determinants of health in the region. Environmental determinants in all countries have been worsening from 2020 to 2022, air pollution and climate change indices are big environmental determinants of health in the region that negatively result in health status of the population.

Keywords:

Social Determinants of Health, Environmental Determinants of Health and Health Indicators

Exploring The Experiences of Elementary Teachers in Dealing with Bullied Students

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This phenomenological study explored elementary teachers' experiences dealing with bullied students, which the researchers conducted in selected schools in Tagum City. The study used in-depth interviews and focus group discussions with ten teachers as participants, selected through purposive sampling. The thematic analysis identified three major themes in teachers' experiences: understanding the background and environment of students, managing the emotional and psychological impact on teachers, and strategies for handling persistent bullying cases. Teachers highlighted ways of supporting bullied students, such as setting up rules against bullying, addressing and preventing bullying, attending to students' needs, and ensuring student monitoring. Finally, their insights from this study emphasized the importance of dealing with bullied students. They showed three major themes: bullying should be approached holistically, interventions should be systematic, and bullying can be addressed through value-based interventions. These findings provide valuable contributions to improving educational practices and policies to address bullying in elementary schools effectively.

Keywords:

Elementary Education, Bullying, Teacher Experiences, Phenomenology, Philippines

Automated Remediation Strategies for Cloud-Native Security Misconfigurations

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Abstract:

Cloud-native environments provide exceptional scalability and flexibility; however, misconfigurations in security pose a significant challenge, resulting in unauthorized access, data breaches, and violations of compliance. Conventional security methods, which depend on manual audits and static rule-based detection, are often unable to keep up with the evolving nature of cloud infrastructures.

This document introduces an automated remediation framework intended to identify, prioritize, and rectify misconfigurations across AWS, Azure, and Google Cloud. By incorporating policy-as-code enforcement, machine learning-driven anomaly detection, and infrastructure-as-code (IaC) automation, the framework facilitates proactive management of security with minimal human oversight. Utilizing tools such as Ansible, Terraform, and cloud-native security APIs, it guarantees continuous monitoring, risk evaluation, and policy-focused remediation.

This study emphasizes the necessity for proactive and automated security enforcement in cloud-native environments, thereby decreasing reliance on reactive security mechanisms. The framework strengthens cloud security by reducing exposure windows, implementing least-privilege access, and dynamically responding to emerging threats. Future research will investigate predictive analytics, real-time compliance enforcement, and blockchain-based integrity validation to further bolster automated cloud security initiatives.

Understanding Coastal Management Dynamics in Tagkawayan, Quezon Philippines: A Triangulation Approach

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Abstract:

This study examines coastal management in Tagkawayan, Philippines through CLEMENTE (Coastal Local Knowledge, Management Efforts, and Needs Triangulation). Recognizing the interconnectedness of society and ecology, CLEMENTE integrates local ecological knowledge (LEK) from fishers with the Local Government Unit's (LGU) management plans. This approach prioritizes understanding human-environment interactions and incorporates stakeholder perspectives for a more inclusive strategy. CLEMENTE utilizes triangulation, a method using multiple data collection techniques to enhance findings' validity and reliability. The study offers a comprehensive analysis of how local knowledge, best practices, and LGU initiatives interact in shaping Tagkawayan's coastal management. The study identified both strengths and weaknesses. While some LGU initiatives aligned with LEK, highlighting successful practices, discrepancies pointed to areas for improvement. Based on these findings, the study recommends increased collaboration between fishers and the LGU to bridge knowledge gaps and incorporating valuable LEK insights into management practices. These recommendations can strengthen Tagkawayan's coastal resource management and promote long-term sustainability. This multifaceted CLEMENTE framework transcends limitations of singular data collection methods, offering a novel approach to analyze coastal management effectiveness. Which can be applied in other fishing communities to assess alignment between existing efforts and stakeholders' experiences, ultimately promoting more sustainable coastal management practices.

Keywords:

Coastal Management, Local Ecological Knowledge (LEK), Triangulation Method, Stakeholder Engagement, Sustainable Fisheries

The Role of Ecotourism in Sustainable Development: A Systematic Review of Literature

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Abstract:

Ecotourism has become an important aspect for promoting sustainable development by balancing environmental conservation, economic growth, and cultural preservation. The article reviews and synthesises existing research on the role of ecotourism in sustainability, focusing on its ecological, socioeconomic, and cultural impacts. The findings suggest that ecotourism can play a significant role in protecting biodiversity, empowering indigenous communities, and preserving cultural heritage. However, its effectiveness as a sustainable development strategy depends on implementing strong management practices, fairly distributing benefits, and actively involving local communities. While ecotourism holds great potential, it also faces challenges such as environmental damage from poorly regulated tourism, economic inequality among stakeholders, and the commercialization of cultural traditions. This paper also offers policy recommendations to enhance the positive impacts of ecotourism and address its negative effects. Ultimately, the study highlights the need to take a holistic approach to ecotourism and incorporate it into broader sustainable development frameworks to ensure long-term environmental, economic, and cultural sustainability.

Keywords:

Ecotourism, Sustainable Development, Environmental Conservation, Biodiversity Preservation, Community Empowerment, Cultural Heritage, Socioeconomic Impact, Tourism Management, Environmental Awareness, Cultural Preservation, Responsible Tourism, Sustainable Tourism Practices

A Unified Deep Learning Architecture for Autonomous Rice Pathology Screening

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Abstract:

Deep learning (DL) and machine learning (ML) are revolutionizing areas that involve financial services, health care, and autonomous vehicles by offering novel solutions for complicated challenges. These strategies use effective techniques to evaluate vast amounts of data, delivering features such as adaptability, efficiency, and the effectiveness of costs. Fortunately, difficulties remain when implementing these theories in real-world situations, ensuring computation effectiveness and addressing moral questions like impartiality and data safety. This investigation concentrates on designing adaptable and successful deep-learning models for overcoming such constraints. Detailed strength projections might be achieved by deploying data on the composition of the material, finishing operations, and the surrounding environment, additionally upgrading methods for image processing for occupations like separating features and identifying objects. This research aims to enhance the precision of forecasting, streamline the usage of resources, and integrate ethical concerns into building models. These results assist in establishing sustainable and legitimate deep-learning strategies for a range of real-world applications.

Keywords:

Computational Efficiency, Data Safety, Forecasting Precision, Resource Optimization

QuickHire Mobile Application Development: Mobile App Based Solution to Facilitate Part-time Jobs in Indonesia

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Part-time jobs are increasingly in demand in Indonesia, especially by students and workers who need flexibility. However, the search for part-time jobs still faces obstacles such as the lack of specific and efficient platforms. This research aims to develop and analyze the QuickHire mobile application, a technology-based solution that connects part-time job seekers with employers quickly and effectively. Using the Waterfall development method, this study follows stages including needs analysis, system design, implementation, testing, and evaluation. QuickHire offers key features such as job search based on user preferences, a vacancy matching system, and direct communication between workers and employers. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) is conducted to assess functionality and user experience, with results indicating that QuickHire enhances efficiency in the part-time job recruitment process and provides a better user experience compared to conventional job search methods. With its developed features, this application is expected to become an innovative platform in Indonesia's flexible workforce ecosystem.

Keywords:

Mobile Apps, Part Time Jobs, Digital Recruitment, Job Matching, User Experience

Advancing a High-Quality Medical Equipment Network for Sustainable Healthcare in Thailand's Southern Border Provinces

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Abstract:

This study aims to: (1) develop a quality medical equipment network for the three southern border provinces of Thailand, (2) evaluate the impact of implementing this network based on the active participation of medical equipment personnel, and (3) assess the alignment of operations with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The study targeted personnel from 33 hospitals under the Ministry of Public Health in the three southern border provinces, selected through purposive sampling. Research instruments included the quality medical equipment network system, a practical training assessment form, and a satisfaction questionnaire. The findings indicate that: (1) The developed network follows a five-level participatory framework: (i) Inform-establishing a hospital-based network of medical equipment personnel to facilitate communication and knowledge sharing; (ii) Consult-gathering input from medical personnel and relevant stakeholders to ensure inclusivity and responsiveness to local needs; (iii) Involve-signing academic cooperation agreements to formalize collaborative efforts; (iv) Collaborate-creating strategic partnerships for medical equipment maintenance and calibration services to enhance service quality and efficiency; and (v) Empower-providing specialized training and certification programs to strengthen personnel expertise and develop a sustainable workforce. (2) The implementation of the network yielded remarkable outcomes. A total of 735 personnel received certification, surpassing the initial target of 4 by 18,375%. Additionally, two accredited medical equipment laboratories were established, exceeding the original goal of one by 200%. Furthermore, 5,148 medical devices across four categories were successfully calibrated, significantly surpassing the initial target of 100 devices from two categories by 200%. These results highlight the effectiveness of a participatory approach in strengthening technical capacity and service readiness. (3) The system demonstrated alignment with seven SDGs (3, 4, 8, 9, 12, 15, and 17), exceeding the initial objective of aligning with only SDG 3 by 700%.

Keywords:

Medical equipment, Calibration (CAL), SDGs

The Smartphone Generation: How Digital Devices Shape Behaviour and Social Interactions

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Abstract:

This research investigates the impact of mobile and digital device usage on the behavioural development of adolescents, with a focus on their social, emotional, academic, home, and health adjustments. The study compares adolescent adjustment between two groups: students who frequently use mobile and digital devices and those who do not. Results indicate significant differences in home, emotional, and social adjustment, with adolescents who frequently use digital devices exhibiting poorer adjustment in these areas. Specifically, both boys and girls show substantial challenges in emotional and social domains, with a high percentage in the Unsatisfactory category for these types of adjustment. However, academic and health adjustment did not show significant differences between the two groups. Statistical analysis, including independent samples t-tests and Mann-Whitney tests, confirms that mobile device usage is strongly associated with emotional and social difficulties, whereas academic and health adjustments appear unaffected by device usage. These findings highlight the need for targeted interventions that address the emotional and social challenges faced by adolescents in the digital age, particularly focusing on mitigating the negative effects of excessive digital device use on personal and social development.

Keywords:

Mobile, Mobile Device Usage, Digital Devices, Adolescent Behavioural Development, Social Adjustment, Health Adjustment, Home Adjustment, Digital Age, Emotional Difficulties, Technology And Behaviour, Screen Time, Psychological Adjustment

Recent Advancements and Challenges on Kinesthetic Force Feedback of Haptic Gloves

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Abstract:

The rise of virtual reality has prompted the integration of haptic feedback technology as an essential component to enhance user interaction within virtual environments. One of the most common methods to incorporate haptic sensations into virtual reality is through the use of haptic gloves. Haptic gloves enable users to engage and interact with virtual objects through tactile and kinesthetic feedback. This paper provides an overview of existing haptic gloves and their various approaches to kinesthetic force feedback. This study also emphasizes the difficulties that arise in the development and application of haptic feedback systems including weight and mechanical complexity. Additionally, this paper examines the classification of the haptic systems according to their advancement and approach to user interaction. Applications and advantages of the use of haptic gloves in different realms such as medical simulations, training, and gaming are highlighted as well. Proposed future directions are emphasized on the development of lightweight, adaptable systems that can address the specific requirements of individual users while combining multiple sensory modalities to enhance the immersive experience. This study seeks to advance the ongoing discourse regarding the evolution of kinesthetic feedback technologies in haptic gloves by identifying and addressing challenges that are currently being faced.

Keywords:

Mobile, Mobile Device Usage, Digital Devices, Adolescent Behavioural Development, Social Adjustment, Health Adjustment, Home Adjustment, Digital Age, Emotional Difficulties, Technology And Behaviour, Screen Time, Psychological Adjustment

An Analysis of Figurative Language in the Opera The Mikado by Gilbert and Sullivan

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Abstract:

This study aims to analyse the types of figurative language used in the lyrics of The Mikado's songs and determine the most frequently used forms. The data includes the lyrics of 19 selected songs from The Mikado, all of which contain figurative language. The findings revealed that 12 types of figurative language were found in the songs of The Mikado, including personification, metaphor, onomatopoeia, allusion, simile, apostrophe, metonymy, synecdoche, hyperbole, irony, oxymoron, and rhetorical questions. Each type of figurative language is categorized into three main groups. The first group is Comparison, which consists of simile, metaphor, metonymy, and synecdoche. The second group is Exaggeration and Contradiction, which includes hyperbole, irony, and oxymoron. The third group is Sound, Address, and Reference, which contains personification, onomatopoeia, allusion, apostrophe, and rhetorical questions. The results show that personification (22.5%), metaphor (17.5%), onomatopoeia (15%), and allusion (10%) are the four most frequently used types of figurative language in the songs. The findings suggest that the authors used figurative language in The Mikado's songs to enhance the beauty of the lyrics, express ideas more gently and concisely, and enrich the audience's experience.

Keywords:

Figurative Language, Lyrics, Opera, The Mikado, Gillbert And Sullivan

Harnessing Artificial Intelligence for Sustainable Development: Optimizing Energy, Resources, and Climate Solutions

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Abstract:

The rapid advancements in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML) have significantly impacted sustainability efforts by optimizing energy consumption, improving resource allocation, and enhancing climate predictions. This paper explores the role of AI and ML in driving sustainable practices across various industries, examining their applications, benefits, and limitations. By integrating AI-driven analytics, predictive modeling, and automated decision-making, organizations can enhance sustainability initiatives and reduce environmental footprints. The research also investigates the ethical considerations and challenges associated with AI-driven sustainability, including data accessibility, algorithmic biases, and computational resource demands. Through case studies, theoretical frameworks, and empirical analysis, this study provides a comprehensive evaluation of how AI and ML contribute to long-term environmental conservation and economic viability. The findings emphasize the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration, policy support, and responsible AI deployment in achieving sustainable development goals.

Keywords:

Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Sustainability, Energy Optimization, Climate Prediction, Resource Management, Environmental Conservation, AI Ethics, Sustainable Development, Predictive Analytics

Nuclear-Powered shipping: A Pathway to Zero-Emission Maritime Transport

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Abstract:

Maritime transportation, responsible for over 80% of global freight movement, is a major source of environmental emissions, highlighting the urgent need for sustainable solutions to protect marine ecosystems and reduce pollution. With tightening regulations, growing environmental concerns, and a push for greater resource efficiency, the maritime industry is increasingly exploring alternative fuels such as hydrogen, LPG, ammonia, LNG, biofuels, and nuclear energy. Among these, nuclear power emerges as a particularly compelling option for reducing carbon emissions in line with the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) decarbonization and fuel efficiency targets.

Although nuclear propulsion has been successfully implemented in icebreakers, naval fleets, and specialized supply vessels, its adoption in commercial shipping remains limited, primarily due to regulatory and operational challenges. This research delves into the feasibility of nuclear-powered cargo ships by analyzing reactor technologies, energy generation methods, and the critical safety protocols required for their deployment. Collaborative efforts between regulatory bodies, pilot projects, and industry stakeholders will be essential in refining safety standards and ensuring compliance with international regulations. Additionally, public perception remains a key factor, emphasizing the need for transparent environmental impact assessments and effective communication to foster trust and align nuclear shipping with global sustainability objectives.

Despite existing hurdles, nuclear propulsion presents a transformative opportunity for innovation and international cooperation. Addressing regulatory and societal concerns through cohesive policies and public engagement could pave the way for nuclear power to play a pivotal role in the maritime sector's transition toward a cleaner, more efficient future. Its successful integration would not only support low-carbon shipping but also contribute significantly to the broader global energy transition.

Keywords:

Nuclear Energy, Nuclear Powered-Vessel, Sustainable Shipping

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An Analysis on Direct Ammonia SOFC System for Maritime Application

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Abstract:

The maritime industry is increasingly adopting innovative integrated systems that leverage green energy alternatives to align with GHG reduction and decarbonization strategies. In this context, a novel integrated system combining solid oxide fuel cells (SOFC), a gas turbine (GT), the steam Rankine cycle (SRC), the Kalina cycle (KC), and the organic Rankine cycle (ORC) is proposed, focusing on the mechanical efficiency of direct ammonia fuel cells.

The research methodology involves developing several mathematical models based on the first and second laws of thermodynamics to evaluate energy and exergy performance. The analysis includes quantifying exergy destruction and losses across different subsystems. As a result, the system's energy and exergy efficiency improved to 60.4% and 57.3%, respectively.

Additionally, the waste heat recovery process is designed to produce hot water, which can fully meet the needs of seafarers onboard. The system operates by supplying ammonia to the solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC) before utilizing a regenerative heat exchanger to recover heat. Subsequently, the steam Rankine cycle (SRC) absorbs waste heat from the SOFC and transfers it back to the working fluids. The integration of waste heat from an SOFC-GT hybrid system significantly enhances thermal efficiency, while the combined operation of the gas turbine (GT), Rankine cycle (RC), and Kalina cycle (KC) generates additional power for onboard applications.

In addition, the ASPEN-HYSYS V12.1 is used to simulate the fuel direction as well as calculate cell voltage, and fuel and air utilization factors. Then, modeling verification corresponds to ensuring the estimated values and collected ones are consistent. To sum up, the introduced multigeneration energy system is an ideal solution for alternative energy selection, by using this environmentally decarbonized system, the energy and exergy efficiency have been improved significantly. The most important contribution of the research is drafting out R152a as the most suitable working fluid for ORC after comparing five selected factors R134a, R600, R601, R152a, and R124. This plays an important role in optimizing the operation of ORC and boosting both energy and exergy values of the integrated system.

Enhancing Patient Access to Healthcare: A Study on Chatbot Integration with Doctor Appointment Systems

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Technology play such an important role in enhancement of healthcare sector and improving communications between patients and healthcare providers. In this modern world patient faces large number of challenges while accessing medical services, including difficulty finding healthcare providers, scheduling appointments and managing prescription. System while is currently in process often lack integration, requiring patients to navigate across multiple platforms for different services. This system creates dissatisfaction and frustration among the patients. Many current solutions fail to provide real-time updates, comprehensive provider directories, or easy navigation, which are essential for user satisfaction and accessibility websites intends to fill these gaps by integrating features such as searchable directory of healthcare professionals, categorized consultation packages, user reviews, and health tips. This platform aims to solve the issue of present health care system by offering a one-stop solution where user can find doctor, book lab tests and purchase medicines and a chatbot is also integrated with the doctor appointment system which help is many medical issues to patients. Keeping these problems in mind our website will tack care of all the medical needs in one place. The Development of the website comes with chatbots which help you know about your health better then comes the most important appointment scheduling that allows patients to book appointments and to modify them according to their needs and doctor availability. The motivation for addressing this problem stems from the need for a more accessible, integrated, and user-friendly healthcare solution that meets the demands of modern patients.

Vehicle Detection Based on Faster R-CNN

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Vehicle detection is indispensable in the advanced uses like autonomous navigation, intelligent traffic management, and smart city initiatives, enhancing transportation safety and efficiency. The increasing demand for accurate and real-time vehicle detection has led to the adoption of advanced deep learning techniques. This paper introduces a robust and efficient vehicle detection approach using Faster Region-based Convolutional Neural Networks (Faster R-CNN), a state-of-the-art deep learning model (DL) formulated for object detection tasks. Faster R-CNN enhances detection accuracy by integrating the Region Proposal Network's (RPN) with a Fast R-CNN detector within a unified framework. Unlike normally used methods that dependent on external region proposal techniques, this approach eliminates such dependencies, streamlining the detection process. The RPN efficiently generates high-quality region proposals, enabling precise localization of vehicles in images and videos. This integration significantly improves both detection speed and accuracy, making it suitable for real-time applications. Additionally, Faster R-CNN leverages deep convolutional networks to extract rich feature representations, ensuring robust performance even in complex environments. The proposed method is highly effective for various applications, including autonomous driving, traffic surveillance, and intelligent transportation systems. By combining efficiency, accuracy, and scalability, this approach contribute to the AI-driven vehicle detection technologies.

Keywords:

OpenCV, ResNet-50, Region Proposal Network, Faster R-CNN, Feature Extraction, Speed Estimation, Tracking

Deep Learning based Smart Video Surveillance

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Developing a smart system for video monitoring that integrates Spatial Temporal Autoencoder (STAE) with OpenCV to enhance real-time monitoring and security analytics. The system leverages STAE to examine surveillance video streams from cameras, automatically detecting objects of interest and identifying suspicious behaviors or anomalies. By processing and interpreting visual data, the system can recognize potential security threats, such as unauthorized access, unusual movements, or other unusual behaviors that might point to a risk. Using deep learning techniques, the system continuously monitors and classifies various activities in the video streams, providing a greater degree of precision in contrast to traditional surveillance systems. When any suspicious behavior is detected, the system triggers an immediate alert, notifying security personnel or triggering automated responses. This allows for proactive intervention, reducing response times and improving overall security efficiency. The sophisticated video surveillance system has applications in protection of vital infrastructure and public safety, and commercial security, where it is useful for monitoring large-scale environments like airports, shopping malls, and industrial sites. By enhancing situational awareness and automating incident detection, the system contributes to more effective crime prevention, faster incident resolution, and overall operational efficiency.

Keywords:

Video Surveillance, STAE, OpenCV, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, Deep Learning, Tkinter

Valuing Nature: Local Residents' Insights on the Aesthetic and Recreational Benefits of Patungan Beach in Maragondon Cavite, Philippines

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The Philippines, an archipelagic nation, is renowned for its rich ecotourism destinations and biodiversity hotspots. Beach tourism and water-related activities significantly contribute to the country's economy, with the tourism sector accounting for approximately 12% of the nation's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 2019. However, the increasing influx of visitors has led to challenges such as overcrowding, waste accumulation, and environmental degradation. Recognizing the need to safeguard natural recreational sites, this study employed the Contingent Valuation Method (CVM) to assess residents' perceived value of Patungan Beach's aesthetic and recreational benefits in Maragondon, Cavite.

Using a logit model, findings revealed that while socio-demographic characteristics do not directly influence Willingness To Pay (WTP) for site conservation, residents' attitudes toward environmental protection and water conservation play a crucial role. A significant portion of respondents expressed a willingness to contribute to a trust fund and pay an annual environmental fee of PHP 50.00 for the site's preservation, although WTP declined as the bid amount increased. Notably, 58% of respondents derive direct economic benefits from tourism-related livelihoods, underscoring the economic significance of the site.

The study emphasizes the need for local government intervention through municipal ordinances that allocate additional funding for the operation, maintenance, and conservation of Patungan Beach. Furthermore, promoting green tourism initiatives can enhance sustainable ecotourism, benefiting both the environment and local stakeholders while boosting revenue generation. Based on these findings, a Community-Based Sustainable Ecotourism Framework is proposed, centering on four key pillars: Community Engagement, Sustainable Livelihoods, Environmental Conservation, and Governance & Policy Support. This framework aims to strengthen conservation efforts while ensuring economic benefits for the local community, fostering a balanced approach to tourism development and environmental stewardship.

Keywords:

Ecotourism, Aesthetic and Recreational Services, Environmental Perceptions, Willingness To Pay (WTP)

Design and Implementation of Framework for Optimized Relay-Timed Electronic Security System (Fortress)

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This study presents the design, development, and evaluation of FORTRESS (Framework for Optimized Relay Time-Relay Electronic Security System). Focused on affordability and practicality, FORTRESS utilizes readily available components for a cost-effective security solution. The prototype leverages relay logic and solenoid locks to manage access control in rooms I-208 and I-206 at Bldg. I, Pablo Umali Hall, University of Batangas.

A functional prototype was constructed using locally sourced components at an estimated cost of ₱21,350. To assess the system's effectiveness, a 22-day evaluation period focused on reliability, efficiency, and durability. The results were promising: reliability testing yielded consistently high performance, core component efficiency reached 96%, and the system functioned correctly for over 87% of a 220-hour durability test.

Based on these findings, the researchers recommend further exploration to understand minor variations observed in reliability testing. Additionally, they propose investigating the integration of advanced access control technologies like RFID and fingerprint sensors for enhanced security. Furthermore, the study suggests the potential for expanding the use of FORTRESS to secure other university laboratories housing valuable equipment.

GRIT And Gratitude as Moderated by the Demographic Profile of Young Adults in Lipa City, Batangas

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Abstract:

The pandemic has brought multiple changes in the way of life of many people. No one was prepared for community lockdowns, distance online learning, and other policies restricting face-to-face social interactions. After more than two years of battling against the global pandemic, normalcy is slowly being put into place. Now that many are trying to get their life back together, it is relevant to appraise not only their wellbeing but more importantly the factors that may contribute to this such as gratitude and grit. A proposed mental health program is the product of this undertaking based on the result of the study.

Correlational quantitative design with moderation analysis was utilized in the study. The researchers adopted the Grit Scale and Gratitude Resentment and Appreciation Scale (GRAT) – Short Form as research instruments. Respondents were randomly selected from the city of Lipa with an age of 18–25 years old. The data gathered were analyzed using t-test, analysis of variance (ANOVA), and multiple regression. It was found that the respondents have a low level of grit but a moderate level of gratitude. It was also revealed that there is a significant relationship between grit and gratitude ($r\text{-value}=0.38$, $p\text{-value}=0.000$). Furthermore, significant differences were noted in gratitude in terms of sex profile ($t\text{-value}=4.107$, $p\text{-value}=0.000$) which means that the response varies across the said profile. Age and sex have no significant moderating effect on the level of grit of the respondents. Nevertheless, the regression model of the same profile and the level of gratitude is statistically significant with sex as the significant moderator.

Keywords:

Correlational Quantitative Design, Demographic Profile, Gratitude, Grit, Moderation Analysis, Young Adults

Development of PsoriaBuddy: A Web-based Symptom Management for Individuals with Psoriasis

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This study aims to address the complex challenges faced by individuals with psoriasis in the Philippines through the development of an innovative digital platform, PsoriBuddy, that tailors treatment information based on individual patient profiles and dermatologist recommendations, creating a customized care plan for each user. The platform also provides an array of educational resources designed to increase awareness and understanding of psoriasis, its comorbidities, and effective management strategies. One of its key features is the ability for patients to track their symptoms by recording their experiences, which can be reviewed by healthcare providers during consultations, allowing for pre-assessment and improved patient-provider communication. The platform also includes a Psoriasis Area and Severity Index (PASI) tool that helps both patients and healthcare providers identify patterns, triggers, and areas requiring attention. This study evaluates the potential of PsoriBuddy to empower psoriasis patients by facilitating informed decision-making, improving symptom management, and enhancing their overall quality of care. The findings highlight the effectiveness of personalized digital health solutions in improving patient outcomes and fostering a more collaborative healthcare experience.

Keywords:

Psoriasis, Psoriasis Area And Severity Index, Psoriasis Symptom, Skin Disease

Batangas Economy: A Historical Overview and Contemporary Transformation

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Abstract:

The province of Batangas, historically an agricultural stronghold, has evolved into a dynamic economic hub characterized by industrialization, commerce, and tourism. This study provides a comprehensive exploration of the economic trajectory of Batangas, tracing its transformation from its agricultural roots to its present industrial and service-oriented landscape. Utilizing qualitative methods, including documentary analysis of government archives and reports, the research identifies pivotal factors shaping the province's economic development, such as strategic location, infrastructure advancements, and consistent policy support. Key findings highlight Batangas' diversified economy, with industry contributing significantly to its Gross Regional Domestic Product (GRDP). Major sectors include manufacturing, energy production, and tourism. Industrial parks and the Batangas International Port have driven investments, creating jobs and stimulating local businesses. Meanwhile, the agricultural sector remains vital, with innovations in agribusiness and the resurgence of high-value crops like coffee contributing to sustain Growth. Tourism, supported by investments in infrastructure and eco-friendly initiatives, has positioned Batangas as a premier destination for domestic and international visitors. Despite its progress, the province faces challenges, including waste management, climate resilience, and balancing urbanization with environmental sustainability. Nonetheless, opportunities abound, such as industrial expansion, enhanced connectivity, and digital economy growth. The study underscores the need for inclusive governance and sustainable practices to ensure that development benefits all residents, particularly at the grassroots level. This research provides a foundation for future studies on regional economic development, offering insights into the interplay of historical influences and contemporary strategies. It serves as a roadmap for policymakers and stakeholders to foster sustainable and inclusive Growth in Batangas, cementing its role as a key player in the Philippines' economic landscape.

Keywords:

Batangas Economy, History, Contemporary Developments

Exploring the Interrelationships of Organizational Resilience, Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery: A Basis for University of Batangas Disaster Resilience Plan

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Disasters such as typhoons, earthquakes, volcano eruptions and pandemic have an impact on how higher education institutions perform their functions. Over the past three years, one institution, which has faced all these challenges, is the University of Batangas. The objectives of the study are to rank the disaster affecting the university operation, assess the organizational resilience, business continuity plan and disaster recovery plan, determine the significant relationship of the different components and proposed an organizational resilience action plan. In this exploratory research design, the researchers developed a researcher-made questionnaire. 165 respondents assessed the components of organizational resiliency, business continuing and disaster recovery plan. Most of the respondents that participated were college students. The researchers utilized several statistical tools in their study, including mean, standard deviation, Pearson-r correlation coefficient, and regression analysis, as the foundation for their research findings. The pandemic was considered the most disruptive disaster affecting the university operations. Significant findings on items such as risk management and readiness, organizational context and components of the business continuity plan were considered in the preparation of the plan. Business continuity and catastrophe recovery plans are strongly correlated with or associated with organizational resilience. Disaster recovery plans are heavily impacted by the business continuity plan. The proposed university organizational resilience plan may make UB agile in addressing and handling disruptions or disasters, maintaining the operations function and delighting the stakeholders. Lastly, it is recommended that the proposed organizational resilience plan may be implemented to evaluate its effectiveness as the basis for future research.

Keywords:

Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan, Disruptions, Organizational Resilience

Disaster and Risk Reduction Practices Among Employees of Accredited Hotels and Restaurants in Batangas Province: Basis for Disaster Management Plan

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Abstract:

Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) is vital for hotels and restaurants in Batangas Province. This study explored DRRM practices among 21 accredited establishments, surveying 253 employees and managers. Most respondents were female, aged 21–30, single, and employed in businesses operating for 16–20 years. They generally held permanent positions.

Findings showed high levels of prevention, assessment, analysis, and monitoring of community-based DRRM. Preparedness efforts focused on equipping employees with crucial skills for dealing with calamities. In terms of response, search, rescue, and retrieval practices were widely implemented, while recovery efforts emphasized stimulating economic activity. However, inadequate emergency funds posed a significant challenge.

Although employees demonstrated strong awareness of search and rescue procedures, mental health support remains an area needing improvement. A lack of disaster literacy also surfaced, suggesting a need for more comprehensive training. Notably, preparedness was positively correlated with the number of years in business.

Overall, these results underscore the importance of robust DRRM strategies. The researchers recommend implementing a comprehensive disaster management plan to address financial constraints, strengthen mental health support, and enhance disaster literacy, ultimately contributing to safer and more resilient hotels and restaurants in Batangas Province.

Outcomes During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Basis for the Proposed Elementary Reading

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Abstract:

Reading is a fundamental skill, and its acquisition among children is a significant triumph in their development. Unfortunately, the challenges faced by many countries in developing reading literacy have been further widened by the Covid-19 pandemic. This resulted in governments implementing policies such as school closures and the need to shift to remote learning modalities, thus signifying limited opportunities to develop reading skills among children. This research aims to examine children's reading skills in terms of the following components of early literacy, oral languages, phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, phonics, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension. Also, it seeks to identify the best evaluation methods, activities and materials to be utilized in the intervention program to promote literacy among pupils enrolled in the Longitudinal Reading Program. The descriptive research design was employed, and data were collected using a self-structured interview questionnaire. Data analysis utilized a mixed-method approach, which allows the collection of both quantitative and qualitative data. The results indicated that the majority of Grade 1 pupils are still refining their oral language skills, particularly in recognizing and manipulating phonemes within words. Additionally, many pupils are in the early stages of vocabulary acquisition. In teaching reading, the involvement of parents in facilitating their children's reading developmental activities is deemed pivotal in the advancement of the literacy skills. The findings suggest that pupils attain optimal reading proficiency through a combination of printed materials and video lesson support. Future intervention programs should encompass parental training and adopt a flexible modular framework to offer personalized assistance.

Keywords:

Reading, Reading Comprehension, Reading Materials, Intervention, Descriptive Research, Philippines

An Assessment of the Adolescent Telemental Health Services Available in Batangas

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Abstract:

The practice of telemental health has been around the globe for more than five decades. Due to the growing concern about adolescents' mental health, the authors decided to conduct the study to assess adolescent telemental health services in the province. The goal of the study is to explore the current experiences of clients and professionals in terms of mental health, to measure their satisfaction, and to develop guidelines on the use of telemental health services to suit their needs. The researchers used an exploratory sequential design with two phases. For the satisfaction survey, nine domains were identified for the professionals, which are Convenience, Depression/Anxiety, Time Limit, Similarity with Face-to-Face, Confidentiality, Internet Connection, Power Supply, Competence, and Ethical Guidelines Integration and 12 domains for the adolescent clients which are Frequency, Positive Experience, Psychological Wellness, Telemental Health Platform, Session Duration, Actionable Plans, Getting the Root Cause of Problems, Privacy, and Confidentiality, Service Satisfaction, Satisfaction on the Practitioner, Formulation of Solution, and Competency of Practitioner. Upon measuring the satisfaction of both groups, the researchers created guidelines to ensure satisfaction. Phase 2 investigated the change in the satisfaction of telemental health users and concluded by revising the guidelines.

Looking into the Children's Eyes: The Experiences of Offsprings in Parental Separation

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Parental separation profoundly impacts children's emotional, psychological, and social well-being. While most research focuses on its aftermath, few studies examine how pre-separation experiences shape short- and long-term effects. This study explores the lived experiences of adults who witnessed parental separation during early adolescence. Using a phenomenological approach, six (6) participants from Batangas Province were selected through purposive sampling. Data were collected through in-depth interviews and analyzed using the modified Colaizzi method. Findings reveal that pre-separation experiences fall into two categories: constant exposure to parental conflicts or a perceived sense of normalcy. Witnessing frequent disputes, parental irresponsibility, and infidelity led to embarrassment, withdrawal, and emotional suppression, while those shielded from conflicts developed a false sense of security that later affected their coping mechanisms. Post-separation effects included economic instability, premature role shifts, and family fragmentation. Participants faced financial burdens, educational disruptions, and sibling separation, contributing to emotional distress, biased perceptions against one parent, rebellion, and reconciliation fantasies. Some, however, reported a sense of relief from reduced parental conflict. Long-term effects varied: those exposed to conflict often experienced unresolved resentment, relationship difficulties, and internalized negative self-beliefs, while others showed positive adaptation and growth. However, a key finding is that none of the participants achieved full healing, as emotional scars persist into adulthood. To address these challenges, the Healing through Integrative Life-Oriented Method (HILOM) Program was developed to foster emotional recovery, self-awareness, and resilience.

Keywords:

Long-term Effects of Separation, Offspring Experiences, Post-parental Separation, Pre-parental Separation, Short-term Effects of Separation

Exploring Efficient Cemetery Management: Practices, Challenges and Innovations at New Bilibid Prison Cemetery as a Basis for Improved Operational Effectiveness and Sustainable Development

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Abstract:

Efficient cemetery management is crucial for ensuring operational effectiveness and sustainable development, particularly in facilities with unique challenges like the New Bilibid Prison (NBP) Cemetery. This study investigated the existing practices and challenges and suggested innovative strategies to be implemented at the NBP Cemetery to improve its management and operations. Employing a mixed methods approach, data were gathered through surveys and semi-structured interviews with six personnel responsible for cemetery operations. Findings highlight the identified existing cemetery practices, the challenges faced by NBP Cemetery in terms of its operational effectiveness and sustainability, and lastly, the identified innovative solutions to be implemented in addressing these challenges.

Keywords:

Cemetery Management, Challenges, Practices, Cemetery Policies, NBP Cemetery

Learning Innovation Using Technology (Google maps) in Mathematics Junior High Schools

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Abstract:

This research evaluates the effectiveness of the Realistic Mathematics Education (RME) approach and the STAD (Student Teams Achievement Divisions) cooperative learning model in enhancing problem-solving and critical thinking skills in junior high school students, particularly in the topic of lines and angles. The research results show a significant increase in problem-solving and critical thinking abilities. The average problem-solving score rose from 48.48 to 80.68, with the standard deviation decreasing from 13.02 to 7.44, indicating more uniform learning outcomes. Students' critical thinking abilities also significantly improved. The mean score increased from 35.98 to 73.48, with the standard deviation decreasing from 11.61 to 6.62, indicating that the variation in scores among students is decreasing. This reflects that the intervention implemented was successful in increasing the consistency of critical understanding throughout the class. In addition, not a single student scored below 66.66 on the Post-Test in all three aspects measured. This demonstrates that all students have met the expected minimum competency levels, indicating that the RME approach and STAD model are highly effective in enhancing problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

Keywords:

Innovations, Google Maps, RME, STAD Mode

Development of CancerLine Companion: A Mobile-based Information Hub for Cancer Care in Davao City

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This study explores the development and implementation of a mobile application designed to serve as an information hub for cancer patients in the Philippines, aimed at supporting them and their companions in their journey through cancer management. With the increasing prevalence of cancer and the challenges faced by patients in accessing accurate and timely information, this research focuses on creating a digital solution that consolidates essential resources, such as healthcare facilities providing outpatient and inpatient chemotherapy services, details on financial institutions providing support, and local support groups. The mobile application integrates user-friendly features, including personalized journaling, and a comprehensive database of medical facilities and specialists. It also provides access to community support networks tailored to the specific needs of Filipino cancer patients. Through user feedback and iterative development, this study evaluates the effectiveness of the application in enhancing patients' access to information, improving their overall treatment experience, and empowering them to make informed decisions regarding their health. The findings underscore the potential of mobile health technologies in addressing gaps in cancer care and providing continuous, accessible support for patients in the Philippines.

Keywords:

Cancer, Cancer Care, Companions, Information Hub

Development of CounselorConnect: A multi-platform Application for Student Wellness and Counselor Insights

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Abstract:

The rising prevalence of stress and emotional challenges among students necessitates innovative solutions to support their mental well-being. CounselorConnect (COCO) is a multi-platform application designed to support the mental well-being of students by empowering them with tools for stress management and connecting them with guidance counselors. Key features include guided meditation, mood tracking, wellness tips, and consultation booking for timely interventions. Developed using iterative design and evaluated through the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), COCO prioritizes accessibility and user satisfaction. Feedback from students and counselors highlights its effectiveness in fostering resilience and bridging gaps between self-help and professional support within academic settings.

Keywords:

Stress Management, Student Distress, Guidance Counseling, TAM, Distress, Mental Health

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Abstract:

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indicate an urgent need for institutional support. Recommendations include establishing a dedicated Mental Health Wellness Center and implementing regular initiatives—such as monthly mindfulness sessions, stress management workshops, and peer support groups—to reduce practical and psychosocial impediments and improve overall mental health outcomes.

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Psychology, Academic Stakeholders, Perceived Barriers, Mental Healthcare, Philippines

Student Satisfaction in BEED Programs: A Study on Academic Resources and Institutional Services

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Abstract:

Student satisfaction is a crucial measure of the quality of education, institutional effectiveness, and overall learning experience in higher education. This study examines the factors influencing the satisfaction of Bachelor of Elementary Education (BEED) students, focusing on the role of academic resources, institutional support services, and external factors. Using a mixed-methods research design, the study employed quantitative surveys and qualitative interviews to assess the impact of these variables on student satisfaction.

Findings revealed that while academic resources such as libraries, laboratories, and classroom facilities were generally sufficient, they were not the strongest predictors of satisfaction. Institutional support services, including academic advising, counseling, and administrative assistance, showed variations in effectiveness, highlighting the need for enhanced accessibility and consistency. Among all factors examined, external influences such as financial stability, family support, workload, and faculty engagement had the most substantial impact on student satisfaction. Challenges such as limited library resources, slow internet connectivity, and insufficient counseling services further contributed to student stress.

The need for a holistic approach to improving student satisfaction, emphasizing enhanced technology-integrated classrooms, expanded financial aid programs, better student wellness initiatives, and structured academic support services was the main take away of this study. Additionally, a continuous student satisfaction monitoring system is recommended to ensure responsive institutional improvements. By addressing these challenges, SLSU-JGEBEED Program can create a more student-centered academic environment, ensuring that BEED students receive the necessary resources and support to thrive in their academic and professional journeys.

Keywords:

Student Satisfaction, Academic Resources, Institutional Support, External Factors, BEED students

BerryBoddy Automated Greenhouse

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This study explores the development and implementation of the BerryBoddy Automated Greenhouse to optimize strawberry yield at BEMWA Farm Fresh Inc., in Marilog District, Davao City, Philippines. Designed to address challenges in net-house strawberry farming—such as vulnerability to fungal diseases like blight and the need for precise irrigation and humidity control—the system integrates an Arduino Mega 2560 microcontroller with soil moisture, temperature, and humidity sensors. The AI camera detects blight using color recognition algorithms, allowing proactive disease management. By automating environmental conditions, irrigation, and disease detection, the BerryBoddy promotes healthier plants and higher yields without using chemical intervention. Testing confirmed reliable irrigation below 50% soil moisture and effective climate control when temperature exceeded 28°C or humidity rose above 65%, demonstrating the system's effectiveness in maintaining ideal growing conditions. With an 87% blight detection accuracy, the BerryBoddy Automated Greenhouse presents a promising approach to sustainable strawberry farming through efficient climate control, irrigation, and proactive disease management.

Keywords:

Computer Engineering, Blight Detection, Strawberry, Automated Greenhouse, Fungal Disease, Automated Irrigation, Philippines

AI Powered Remote Proctored Exam Platform

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Fast adoption of online exams triggered substantial dilemmas about maintaining fairness during examinations. Basic proctoring approaches such as physical observations through human monitoring and basic computer-based surveillance proved ineffective because they provided neither speed nor capacity nor precision in their enforcement process. That's where AI-Proctor comes in. AI-Proctor functions with cameras together with intelligent artificial intelligence to monitor real-time exam security. AI-Proctor uses vision sensors to watch your eye movements and identify your face as it detects your orientation among other ways to prevent cheating through unauthorized assistance. The use of complex machine learning capabilities makes AI-Proctor an adaptable solution for handling online examination fraud with minimal human supervision. The system aims to maintain an open and fair approach regarding its observation methods. The product has been thoroughly tested and demonstrates successful security protections for online tests while enhancing the credibility of e-learning programs.

Keywords:

AI Exam Proctoring, Gaze Tracking, Face Position Estimation, Face Detection, Face Recognition, Cheating Detection, Computer Vision

A Comprehensive Review of Enhancing EGG Signal Processing using Random Forest Algorithm

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Abstract:

Electrogastrography (EGG) is a non-invasive method for measuring gastric myoelectrical activity. However, the accuracy of EGG recordings is often compromised due to low signal amplitude, motion artifacts, and external noise. Enhancing the EGG signal using biomedical signal processing techniques can significantly improve the analysis of gastric motility disorders. This study focuses on developing a robust EGG acquisition and processing system utilizing an AD620 instrumentation amplifier and ADS1015 analog-to-digital converter (ADC). The EGG signal is acquired through Ag/AgCl surface electrodes placed on the stomach, amplified using AD620, converted into digital format via ADS1015, and stored in a Raspberry Pi 4 Model B. The collected data undergoes preprocessing techniques, focusing on feature extraction to derive relevant statistical parameters. A Random Forest classification model is applied to analyze the processed signals, ensuring accurate differentiation of gastric conditions. The preliminary results indicate that this approach enhances the quality of EGG signals and provides reliable classification based on key statistical parameters. This study demonstrates the effectiveness of biomedical signal processing techniques in improving EGG signal clarity and diagnostic accuracy.

Keywords:

Machine Learning, Classification Algorithm, Random Forest, Confusion Matrix, Conclusions Are Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-Score

Sustainable Artistry from E-Waste and Plastic Waste

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Abstract:

The escalating environmental concerns surrounding electronic waste (E-waste) and plastic waste have necessitated innovative approaches to reduce their adverse impact. This paper introduces an e-commerce platform designed to promote sustainability by leveraging these waste streams to create artistic products. The platform serves as a bridge between the sustainable art community, consumers, and waste materials, fostering a circular economy that mitigates waste accumulation and promotes the creation of unique, environmentally friendly goods. This research explores the challenges and opportunities inherent in the convergence of sustainability, art, and technology. It presents a detailed analysis of the methods employed to source, process, and transform E-waste and plastic waste into aesthetically pleasing and functional products. Additionally, the paper investigates the mechanisms for quality control and up cycling, ensuring that these waste materials are utilized in a manner that adheres to eco-friendly principles.

Keywords:

Sustainable Artistry, Waste Upcycling, Circular Design Marketplace, Eco-Conscious Consumers, Green Product Sourcing, Environmental Innovation

Mentor-Mentee Dynamics in English Language Education: Unveiling the Graduate Students' Success

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Abstract:

This study "Mentor-Mentee Dynamics in the English Language Program: Unveiling the Graduate Students' Success" investigates the mentor-mentee dynamics within an English Language Program, engaging on how these relationships commit to the research success of graduate students. Through a qualitative approach, interviews and surveys with both mentors and mentees, the researcher identifies crucial and fundamental elements that stimulate constructive mentoring, including communication styles, research key factors that include research design and methodology, literature review, time management, writing skills, critical thinking, revision and editing, citation and academic integrity, presentation skills, stress management and resilience, networking and professional development, and attainment of common academic goals. The findings reveal that strong mentor-mentee relationships boost students' research skills and build up their confidence and motivation. Moreover, the study accentuates the influence of cultural differences and the importance of personalized support to meet different needs. This research reinforces the significance of mentorship in academic settings and offers suggestions for improving mentor training and program structure to promote better research outcomes for graduate students in English Language studies.

Keywords:

Mentor-Mentee Dynamics, English Language Program, Qualitative Approach

Insights Unleashed: Navigating ESL Classrooms with Hybrid Learning – A Glimpse through the Lens of Filipino and Indonesian Students

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Abstract:

This qualitative-phenomenological study delved into the experiences of Filipino students in University of Mindanao Tagum College (UMTC) and Universitas Muhammadiyah Kotabumi (UMKO) of Indonesia. The purpose of this study was to explore and understand the lived experiences of the students on hybrid learning when engage in learning and teaching process. This is gleaned through the theory of Community of Inquiry (Col) model in understanding hybrid learning in language education which was developed by Garrison, Anderson, and Archer (2000) that provides a structure for examining the dynamics of online and blended learning environments. It consists of three interrelated elements: cognitive presence, social presence, and teaching presence. Thus, there were dilemmas among the students. There were twelve students who participated in the study. As to the participant's lived experiences, three major themes emerged: Accessibility of Content and Resources, Flexibility of Time, and Inclusion of collaboration and Networking. With regards to how they cope with the challenges encountered three major themes emerged: Loss of Internet connection, Adjustment in the LMS utilization, and Difficulty in Answering Tasks and Activities. Lastly, their insights revealed three major themes: Support and Feedback, The Imperative of Intervention, and Establish Support Networks. The findings hold particular significance for educators and administrators, as they offer insights into addressing the academic challenges faced by students. This information is crucial for planning effective interventions and devising relevant activities to support learner's progress.

Keywords:

Education, Hybrid Learning, Filipino and Indonesian Students, Qualitative Phenomenological Research, Thematic Analysis, University of Mindanao – Philippines, Universitas Muhammadiyah Kotabumi (UMKO) – Indonesia

Exploring The Interrelationships of Organizational Resilience, Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery: A Basis for University of Batangas Disaster Resilience Plan

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Disasters such as typhoons, earthquakes, volcano eruptions and pandemic have an impact on how higher education institutions perform their functions. Over the past three years, one institution, which has faced all these challenges, is the University of Batangas. The objectives of the study are to rank the disaster affecting the university operation, assess the organizational resilience, business continuity plan and disaster recovery plan, determine the significant relationship of the different components and proposed an organizational resilience action plan. In this exploratory research design, the researchers developed a researcher-made questionnaire. 165 respondents assessed the components of organizational resiliency, business continuing and disaster recovery plan. Most of the respondents that participated were college students. The researchers utilized several statistical tools in their study, including mean, standard deviation, Pearson-r correlation coefficient, and regression analysis, as the foundation for their research findings. The pandemic was considered the most disruptive disaster affecting the university operations. Significant findings on items such as risk management and readiness, organizational context and components of the business continuity plan were considered in the preparation of the plan. Business continuity and catastrophe recovery plans are strongly correlated with or associated with organizational resilience. Disaster recovery plans are heavily impacted by the business continuity plan. The proposed university organizational resilience plan may make UB agile in addressing and handling disruptions or disasters, maintaining the operations function and delighting the stakeholders. Lastly, it is recommended that the proposed organizational resilience plan may be implemented to evaluate its effectiveness as the basis for future research.

Keywords:

Business Continuity Plan, Disaster Recovery Plan, Disruptions, Organizational Resilience

Colonial Legacies and Ecofeminist Resistance in Abdulrazak Gurnah's Novels

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Abstract:

Colonial exploitations, wars, deforestation, and socioeconomic destitution of many of the world's women challenge all who hope for a more humane world. Increased violence during colonial and post-colonial third-world countries, ecological crises, and gender concerns draw the attention of some recent academics. Abdulrazak Gurnah, a Tanzanian-born author, is known for his insightful exploration of post-colonial themes and his focus on the experiences of marginalized individuals. Gurnah aims to give these marginalized groups a voice and reevaluate historical events and cultural productions from his perspective. While Gurnah's works touch on various aspects of post-colonialism, including identity, migration, and displacement, ecofeminism also emerges as a significant motif in his novels. Ecofeminism is an ideology that examines the intersection of feminism and environmentalism, highlighting the ways in which the oppression of women and the degradation of the environment are interconnected. In Gurnah's novels, the portrayal of female characters and their relationship with nature often reflects the ecofeminist perspective. His female characters navigate the challenges of a changing world while maintaining the connection to their culture and the natural environment. In *Paradise*, *Afterlives* and *Gravel Heart* Gurnah portrays the female characters' relationship with the natural environment and the intersecting themes of power, gender, and the environment. This essay projects the resilience and agency of women in the face of adversity. It aligns with ecofeminist principles that emphasize the potential for women to be agents of change and advocate for a sustainable and harmonious relationship with nature.

Tracing Bati-Bati: A Dance Tradition

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Abstract:

Sayaw ng Pagbati or Bati-Bati which means to greet or to welcome is a street dance which embodies the joy in the resurrection of Jesus Christ for the Catholic community in the town of San Dionisio, Paranaque, Philippines. This is performed by little girls in white dresses who dance before the images of the Risen Christ and His Blessed Mother in front of the Cathedral of St. Andrew. It is known as original to the towns of La Huerta and San Dionisio. Based on testimonies of known first dancers it has existed in the town since 1900s. In doing a preliminary study on this dance, I employ Adrienne Kaeppler's moment work and Patrick Alcedo's different perspectives in understanding a religious dance the following: Why was Bati-Bati so important to the people of Parañaque? Who were the patrons, composers, performers, and audiences? How did these dances come to their present complexity? And What could dance tell me about society?

In employing Kaeppler's moment work and Alcedo's various perspectives in understanding a religious festival, this preliminary work on Sayaw ng Pagbati presents the following observations. The San Dionisio community deeply prides itself of its religious activities such as the Sayaw ng Pagbati. Hence, this pride motivates them to make their tradition alive and visually appealing. As I try to trace the development of the dance, it is evident that the Catholic community and the existing culture in the barangay is greatly responsible in shaping their traditions, such as the dance, Bati-Bati.

The Future of Green Dining: Sustainable Business Models in the Restaurant Industry

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Abstract:

The pandemic has transformed customer behavior, with higher demand for ready-to-eat and ready-to-cook food, pre-packaged food, and food delivery. Restaurants have accordingly changed their business models, improved customer interaction through digital means, and diversified their revenues through the addition of catering and event hosting services. Social media has also become the primary marketing tool, facilitating direct customer interaction and brand loyalty.

The objective of this research was to investigate the actions taken by restaurants to maintain business continuity, such as post-pandemic reforms and strategic managerial strategies for long-term sustainability. A descriptive-exploratory research design with a qualitative paradigm was used, employing in-depth interviews of restaurateurs. The Balanced Scorecard Theory was used to guide the analysis, evaluating four dimensions: financial, customer, internal business processes, and learning and growth.

Results show restaurant sustainability is based on strategic cost management, customer loyalty, operational excellence, and innovation. Adherence to health and safety regulations restored consumer confidence, but small firms are constrained by their finances. Training of workers in food safety, mental wellness, and customer service has played a significant role in the industry's recovery. Government support in the form of DOLE, DTI, and SSS has also helped companies with finance and training.

The research concludes by suggesting a Green Business Model, which unites best practice for sustainability, economic resilience, and staff well-being. The success of the restaurant industry in the long term will rely on the equilibrium of profit and environmental responsibility, and the promotion of public-private partnerships to sustain business.

Keywords:

Green Dining, Sustainable Restaurants, Sustainable Business Models, Restaurant Industry

The Readiness and Preparedness of the City of Malolos, Bulacan in Developing IT-BPO Industry

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Technological breakthroughs and shifting company requirements fuel the constant evolution of the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry. It helps businesses to focus on core skills and hand off tasks to outside service providers. The study's objective is to assess the City of Malolos, Bulacan's capacity to develop an IT hub that could cater to IT-BPO-related investments. The study employed a triangulation method, specifically gathering primary data through in-depth interviews and secondary data from identified offices. Results revealed that the lack of space for the development of IT-BPO hubs in the city was the main problem. Furthermore, while Malolos has an advantage in the availability of skilled workforce, the city's proximity to Manila makes it hard for investors to choose its location. The study then proposed a roadmap to aid the City of Malolos, Bulacan for the IT-BPO Hub development in the city.

Keywords:

Development, Business Process Outsourcing, Technology, Skills, Investment

MedMart: Integrating Pharmacy Inventory and Sales Management in a Web-Based System

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The project's main idea is to address major challenges faced by the pharmacy, including the manual tracking of inventory and sales, inefficient point-of-sale transactions, and the absence of analytics. The MedMart system is an all-inclusive web-based platform that automates inventory and sales management, facilitates the sales transaction process, and provides advanced business analytics. By utilizing modern technologies such as PHP with Laravel, JavaScript, and MySQL, this project delivered a user-friendly and robust solution tailored to the needs of a community pharmacy. Key features include real-time updates on inventory and sales, notifications for low stock or products nearing expiration, an integrated POS system that ensures efficient and accurate sales processing, and sales management. The system also generates insightful reports on sales and inventory, which aid in strategic decision-making and enhance overall operational efficiency. The outcome of the project revealed that the system was indeed effective in solving the pharmacy's operational inefficiencies. Automated inventory management prevented stock discrepancies, avoided overstocking and stockouts, and provided timely notifications for expired products. The integration of sales management with the POS system improved the speed and accuracy of sales transactions, significantly reducing wait times for customers and minimizing errors in sales records. The business analytics features provided real-time insights into inventory trends and sales performance, enabling better strategic decision-making.

Design and Implementation of Framework for Optimized Relay-Timed Electronic Security System (Fortress)

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Abstract:

This study presents the design, development, and evaluation of FORTRESS (Framework for Optimized Relay Time-Relay Electronic Security System). Focused on affordability and practicality, FORTRESS utilizes readily available components for a cost-effective security solution. The prototype leverages relay logic and solenoid locks to manage access control in rooms I-208 and I-206 at Bldg. I, Pablo Umali Hall, University of Batangas.

A functional prototype was constructed using locally sourced components at an estimated cost of ₱21,350. To assess the system's effectiveness, a 22-day evaluation period focused on reliability, efficiency, and durability. The results were promising: reliability testing yielded consistently high performance, core component efficiency reached 96%, and the system functioned correctly for over 87% of a 220-hour durability test.

Based on these findings, the researchers recommend further exploration to understand minor variations observed in reliability testing. Additionally, they propose investigating the integration of advanced access control technologies like RFID and fingerprint sensors for enhanced security. Furthermore, the study suggests the potential for expanding the use of FORTRESS to secure other university laboratories housing valuable equipment.

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Multi-WikiTQA: Multilingual WikiTable Question Answering

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Table-based question answering (QA) is a key area for assessing the reasoning abilities of large language models (LLMs), yet low-resource languages like Hindi remain largely unexplored. This study extends the WikiTableQuestions (WikiTQ) dataset- containing 22,000 QA pairs from 2,000 Wikipedia tables- by translating its QA pairs into Hindi, enabling a multilingual benchmark for table-based QA. Our research focuses on three main objectives: evaluating how well LLMs handle Hindi table-based QA to assess their multilingual reasoning, analyzing the effect of mixed-language tables by selectively translating a subset, and comparing the performance of Hindi-specific models, such as OpenHathi and HindiLLM, against general-purpose LLMs. We translate the dataset using PaLM-2 and conduct evaluations on structured text retrieval and reasoning in Hindi. By addressing the lack of resources in table-based QA for Hindi, this work contributes to the broader field of multilingual natural language processing. The findings provide insights into improving tabular reasoning in Hindi and enhancing the multilingual capabilities of LLMs, making them more effective for diverse linguistic settings.

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This study explores the development and implementation of a mobile application designed to serve as an information hub for cancer patients in the Philippines, aimed at supporting them and their companions in their journey through cancer management. With the increasing prevalence of cancer and the challenges faced by patients in accessing accurate and timely information, this research focuses on creating a digital solution that consolidates essential resources, such as healthcare facilities providing outpatient and inpatient chemotherapy services, details on financial institutions providing support, and local support groups. The mobile application integrates user-friendly features, including personalized journaling, and a comprehensive database of medical facilities and specialists. It also provides access to community support networks tailored to the specific needs of Filipino cancer patients. Through user feedback and iterative development, this study evaluates the effectiveness of the application in enhancing patients' access to information, improving their overall treatment experience, and empowering them to make informed decisions regarding their health. The findings underscore the potential of mobile health technologies in addressing gaps in cancer care and providing continuous, accessible support for patients in the Philippines.

Keywords:

Cancer, Cancer Care, Companions, Information Hub

Development of CounselorConnect: A Multi-Platform Application for Student Wellness and Counselor Insights

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Abstract:

The rising prevalence of stress and emotional challenges among students necessitates innovative solutions to support their mental well-being. CounselorConnect (COCO) is a multi-platform application designed to support the mental well-being of students by empowering them with tools for stress management and connecting them with guidance counselors. Key features include guided meditation, mood tracking, wellness tips, and consultation booking for timely interventions. Developed using iterative design and evaluated through the Technology Acceptance Model (TAM), COCO prioritizes accessibility and user satisfaction. Feedback from students and counselors highlights its effectiveness in fostering resilience and bridging gaps between self-help and professional support within academic settings.

Keywords:

Stress Management, Student Distress, Guidance Counseling, TAM, Distress, Mental Health

Grit and Gratitude as Moderated by the Demographic Profile of Young Adults in Lipa City, Batangas

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Abstract:

The pandemic has brought multiple changes in the way of life of many people. No one was prepared for community lockdowns, distance online learning, and other policies restricting face-to-face social interactions. After more than two years of battling against the global pandemic, normalcy is slowly being put into place. Now that many are trying to get their life back together, it is relevant to appraise not only their wellbeing but more importantly the factors that may contribute to this such as gratitude and grit. A proposed mental health program is the product of this undertaking based on the result of the study.

Correlational quantitative design with moderation analysis was utilized in the study. The researchers adopted the Grit Scale and Gratitude Resentment and Appreciation Scale (GRAT) – Short Form as research instruments. Respondents were randomly selected from the city of Lipa with an age of 18–25 years old. The data gathered were analyzed using t-test, analysis of variance (ANOVA), and multiple regression. It was found that the respondents have a low level of grit but a moderate level of gratitude. It was also revealed that there is a significant relationship between grit and gratitude ($r\text{-value}=0.38$, $p\text{-value}=0.000$). Furthermore, significant differences were noted in gratitude in terms of sex profile ($t\text{-value}=4.107$, $p\text{-value}=0.000$) which means that the response varies across the said profile. Age and sex have no significant moderating effect on the level of grit of the respondents. Nevertheless, the regression model of the same profile and the level of gratitude is statistically significant with sex as the significant moderator.

Keywords:

Correlational Quantitative Design, Demographic Profile, Gratitude, Grit, Moderation Analysis, Young Adults

Gender Equity in the Implementation of Physical Education Activities in University of Batangas (UBBC and UBLC Campus)

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Abstract:

In today's generation, awareness of gender and development in all aspects is crucial, especially in physical education. Gender and development in this field aim to address the unique needs, circumstances, and possibilities of individuals based on their gender. It promotes an inclusive environment that challenges traditional biases and ensures equal access to physical education programs for both men and women.

The research conducted by the researcher used a descriptive method through a survey questionnaire, which was ethically distributed to 21 respondents from the University of Batangas campuses (UBBC and UBLC). The study focused on gender equity in the implementation of physical education activities at these campuses. The findings highlighted the importance of identifying students' gender and understanding their preferences in teaching physical education courses. Additionally, the study revealed that the institution provides healthcare and workplace benefits that ensure equality among respondents. Based on these insights, the researcher developed an action plan that supports gender equity in physical education classes. This plan aims to create a more inclusive and equitable environment for both teachers and students, ensuring that all individuals have equal opportunities to participate and benefit from physical education activities.

Outcomes During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Basis for the Proposed Elementary Reading

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Abstract:

Reading is a fundamental skill, and its acquisition among children is a significant triumph in their development. Unfortunately, the challenges faced by many countries in developing reading literacy have been further widened by the Covid-19 pandemic. This resulted in governments implementing policies such as school closures and the need to shift to remote learning modalities, thus signifying limited opportunities to develop reading skills among children. This research aims to examine children's reading skills in terms of the following components of early literacy, oral languages, phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, phonics, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension. Also, it seeks to identify the best evaluation methods, activities and materials to be utilized in the intervention program to promote literacy among pupils enrolled in the Longitudinal Reading Program. The descriptive research design was employed, and data were collected using a self-structured interview questionnaire. Data analysis utilized a mixed-method approach, which allows the collection of both quantitative and qualitative data. The results indicated that the majority of Grade 1 pupils are still refining their oral language skills, particularly in recognizing and manipulating phonemes within words. Additionally, many pupils are in the early stages of vocabulary acquisition. In teaching reading, the involvement of parents in facilitating their children's reading developmental activities is deemed pivotal in the advancement of the literacy skills. The findings suggest that pupils attain optimal reading proficiency through a combination of printed materials and video lesson support. Future intervention programs should encompass parental training and adopt a flexible modular framework to offer personalized assistance.

Keywords:

Reading, Reading Comprehension, Reading Materials, Intervention, Descriptive Research, Philippines

Learn to Build Your Own News Aggregator Web App

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This project is developing and deploying a news text classification information system on the basis of machine learning algorithms. The system employed for data collection is an internet portal and an auto-classification system. The text data are pre-processed before the experiments. Various experiments were conducted to train classifiers on the basis of the grid search method. Four classification techniques—naïve Bayesian, logistic regression, random forest, and artificial neural network—were experimented with. Trained classifier classification performance has been evaluated in terms of a range of metrics, including F-score, recall, and precision. Another aim while developing the website was to make the information system readily accessible.

Keywords:

Naive Bayesian, Logistic Regression, Random Forest, Artificial Neural Network

Learning Innovation Using Technology (Google Maps) in Mathematics Junior High Schools

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This research examines the implementation of the Realistic Mathematics Education (RME) approach combined with the Student Teams Achievement Divisions (STAD) cooperative learning model to enhance problem-solving and critical thinking skills in junior high school mathematics. The research employed a quasi-experimental design with a one-group pretest-posttest method, involving students who learned line and angle concepts using Google Maps as a contextual tool. Results showed significant improvements in students' problem-solving abilities (average pretest: 48.48; posttest: 80.68) and critical thinking skills (average pretest: 35.98; posttest: 73.48), with reduced score variability indicating more consistent performance. Statistical analysis confirmed the effectiveness of integrating RME and STAD in fostering collaborative learning and real-world mathematical application. The findings suggest that this innovative approach not only strengthens conceptual understanding but also equips students with essential skills for academic and everyday problem-solving.

Keywords:

Realistic Mathematics Education (RME), Student Teams Achievement Divisions (STAD), Technology, Google Maps, Pedagogy

Machine Learning Integration in Supply Chain Management: A TOPSIS-Based Comparative Analysis of AI-Driven Solutions

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Abstract:

Introduction: It explores how machine learning (ML) can be integrated with optimization models to create cost-effective decision-making solutions for supply chain management. Rather than relying solely on traditional optimization solutions, multiple ML models are trained using the outputs of these solutions as inputs to replicate the outcomes of a random optimization model. The two-stage optimization method highlights the importance of actionable first-stage results for immediate decision-making, while second-stage results, while not immediately actionable, provide insights into the robustness of the system. The goal is to create an affordable proxy decision maker, especially for resource-constrained organizations such as nonprofits, SMEs, and startups.

Research Significance: This research is notable because it presents a novel approach that combines machine learning (ML) with optimization models to provide cost-effective solutions for decision-making, especially in supply chain management. Traditional optimization solutions are often expensive and time-consuming, which can be a barrier for smaller organizations.

The goal is to provide a more affordable and accessible tool for decision-making by training a variety of ML models to simulate the effects of optimization models. The study also highlights how data-driven models can effectively support decision-making in resource-constrained sectors, including non-profit organizations, SMEs, and startups. It demonstrates how this approach can improve decision-making efficiency and reduce costs, especially in complex supply chains such as blood supply chains.

Methodology: The alternative options for AI-Driven Inventory Management System, Predictive Analytics for Demand Forecasting, Automated Supply Chain Monitoring Tools, AI-Powered Risk Assessment Models, Machine Learning for Supplier Selection, and Natural Language Processing for Customer Feedback Analysis. The evaluation criteria Cost Reduction, Improved Efficiency, Enhanced Decision-Making, Implementation Complexity, Data Privacy Concerns, Integration Challenges.

Result: According to the results, Predictive Analytics for Demand Forecasting was ranked highest, while AI-Powered Risk Assessment Models was ranked lowest. Conclusion: Data Analytics and Predictive Analytics for Demand Forecasting g has the highest value for supply chain with machine learning according to the TOPSIS method approach

Keywords:

Machine Learning (ML), Supply Chain Management (SCM), Supply Chain Finance (SCF), Artificial Neural Networks (ANN), TOPSIS Method, Entropy Weighting

Student Satisfaction in BEED Programs: A Study on Academic Resources and Institutional Services

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Student satisfaction is a crucial measure of the quality of education, institutional effectiveness, and overall learning experience in higher education. This study examines the factors influencing the satisfaction of Bachelor of Elementary Education (BEED) students, focusing on the role of academic resources, institutional support services, and external factors. Using a mixed-methods research design, the study employed quantitative surveys and qualitative interviews to assess the impact of these variables on student satisfaction.

Findings revealed that while academic resources such as libraries, laboratories, and classroom facilities were generally sufficient, they were not the strongest predictors of satisfaction. Institutional support services, including academic advising, counseling, and administrative assistance, showed variations in effectiveness, highlighting the need for enhanced accessibility and consistency. Among all factors examined, external influences such as financial stability, family support, workload, and faculty engagement had the most substantial impact on student satisfaction. Challenges such as limited library resources, slow internet connectivity, and insufficient counseling services further contributed to student stress.

The need for a holistic approach to improving student satisfaction, emphasizing enhanced technology-integrated classrooms, expanded financial aid programs, better student wellness initiatives, and structured academic support services was the main take away of this study. Additionally, a continuous student satisfaction monitoring system is recommended to ensure responsive institutional improvements. By addressing these challenges, SLSU-JGE BEED Program can create a more student-centered academic environment, ensuring that BEED students receive the necessary resources and support to thrive in their academic and professional journeys.

Keywords:

Student Satisfaction, Academic Resources, Institutional Support, External Factors, BEED Students

Investigation on Mechanical Properties of Sisal-Kenaf/Epoxy Composites

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In the present scenario, there is a lot of demand for developing biodegradable, lightweight with high strength and recycling materials in the automotive sector. Technological advancements for better products frequently result in a rise in atmospheric emissions. Fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) composites are used for technical applications. The use of these FRP composites has been increased in the last decade to overcome emissions and other environmental issues. A natural fiber as reinforce materials in composites has been increased in recent years because of its availability, low-cost and biodegradable properties. The present research work has been carried out to make use of sisal and kenaf natural fibers. The aim of this research is to describe the development and characterization of new set of hybrid natural fiber composites. It is made by reinforcing sisal and kenaf fibers with epoxy resin in matrix by using compression molding technique. In this paper Hybrid composites are prepared using sisal and kenaf fibers of 20%/40%, 30%/30%, and 40%/20% weight fraction ratios while overall epoxy resin weight fraction was fixed as 40%. The mechanical tests like tensile, flexural were carried out on hybrid composite samples to know mechanical properties. The results indicated that with increase in the weight fraction of the Sisal fiber to Kenaf fiber and epoxy the mechanical properties increased. From all the tested samples those consisting of 40% Sisal and 20% Kenaf with 40% epoxy matrix showed better mechanical properties than other samples.

Keywords:

Composite, Sisal, Kenaf, FRP, Weight Fraction, Mechanical Properties

Fuzzy Inference System to Evaluate the Quality of Groundwater in Mexican Water Bodies

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Introduction: This paper presents the development of a fuzzy inference system to assess groundwater quality using data from 2012–2021 from the national water information system (SINA). The objective was to create a simplified semaphore based on fuzzy logic, classifying groundwater into CONAGUA's three traditional categories (green, yellow, red) while incorporating a degree of membership for each condition.

Methodology: CONAGUA classifies water quality using 14 crisp variables, but we employed eight fuzzy variables as inputs to a Mamdani inference system.

Results: Our fuzzy system achieved 84% similarity with CONAGUA's classification while providing an intraclass distribution for each semaphore color. A robustness evaluation using 2021 data showed comparable classification distribution (67% green, 62% yellow, and 49% red). The system effectively classifies gradual quality using key indicators: conductivity, hardness, total dissolved solids (TDS), and metal levels, aligning with CONAGUA's classical semaphore. **Conclusion:** Despite the existence of a superficial water semaphore, we propose using the groundwater semaphore instead. The superficial classification does not consider metals, yet preliminary multidisciplinary findings indicate metal presence in the Tampamachoco Lagoon. Therefore, the groundwater semaphore could be a suitable tool for assessing Tampamachoco Lagoon's water quality in future studies.

Keywords:

Fuzzy Logic, Fuzzy Inference System, Groundwater, Water Quality, Lagoon, Open Access Database, Water Quality Semaphore

The Ecocriticism in Contemporary Mongolian Literature (The Features of Poetry Genealogy of People's Writer B. Lkhagvasuren)

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Abstract:

Ecocriticism, or the theory of ecoliterature, which is widespread in western countries in modern times, helps to study the relationship of man and nature, that is, the relationship between man and nature, and how it reflects the idea of protecting the environment and preventing environmental destruction.

The ethical issues of nature conservation occupy an important place in the traditional thinking of Mongolians because they have been engaged in nomadic animal husbandry and living in close connection with nature.

Today, when the world is united in the concept of "Sustainable Development" and one of its three cornerstones is the environment, it is possible to cultivate the ethics of nature conservation through literature, especially poetry.

In this article, we will briefly describe the idea of protecting the environment in some of the works of B.Lkhagvasuren, a well-known representative of modern Mongolian literature, "People's Writer".

Keywords:

Contemporary Poetry, Ethics, Conservation

Enhancing Dimensional Accuracy in Additive Manufacturing Using Design of Experiments and Machine Learning

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Abstract:

Additive Manufacturing (AM) has transformed prototyping and part production by offering cost savings, streamlining development processes, and significantly reducing lead times. Its capability to fabricate complex geometries and enable rapid, cost-effective iterations makes it an essential tool in modern manufacturing. However, despite these advantages, AM still faces challenges in achieving the high dimensional accuracy and mechanical precision required for specialized applications. Variability in printing parameters, material properties, and process conditions often leads to inconsistencies in print quality, making it difficult to meet stringent tolerances without relying on extensive trial-and-error methodologies.

This challenge is particularly evident in 3D printing facilities such as the Advanced Manufacturing Center (AMCen), where ensuring consistent accuracy remains a key concern. While several methods have been explored to improve AM precision, conventional approaches often lack the capability to systematically analyze complex parameter interactions. To address this limitation, this study integrates Design of Experiments (DOE) and Machine Learning (ML) to systematically evaluate and optimize dimensional accuracy across various AM parameters and materials. By leveraging ML and artificial intelligence, the study identifies critical factors influencing print quality and develops predictive models to refine process parameters. The proposed framework not only enhances precision but also reduces the need for iterative testing, minimizing material waste and production time. This approach enhances the reliability of AM for high-precision applications, reducing variability and improving overall print consistency. Ultimately, the findings contribute to the development of more robust AM workflows, bridging the gap between AM's current capabilities and the rigorous demands of precision-driven industries, such as aerospace, healthcare, and automotive manufacturing.

Keywords:

Contemporary Poetry, Ethics, Conservation

Extents of Community Participation in Tourism Activities and the Quality Of life among the Locals in Barangay Adecor, Island Garden City of Samal, Philippines

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The tourism activity in the Island Garden City of Samal, Davao del Norte, Philippines, has increased for the past few years and may have affected the quality of life of the residents. Thus, this study aimed to know the extent of community participation of the locals of Barangay Adecor in certain tourism-related activities and their quality of life. This study used the descriptive-correlational method to investigate the effect of community participation on the quality of life of the residents. Further, it also used the descriptive-comparative method to compare community participation and quality of life based on the profile of the purposively chosen respondents. The results revealed that the respondents are usually aware of planning, decision-making, management, and evaluation. Their quality of life in terms of being and belonging is excellent, and becoming is above average. Also, the significance of the relationship exists between the respondents' extent of community participation and quality of life ($p < .05$). Hence, when the extent of participation increases, there is a tendency for their quality of life to improve. Notably, the community participation of males and those aged between 31–40 years old is significantly higher than that of their counterparts. However, their quality of life is comparable regardless of sex, educational attainment, age, and occupation.

Keywords:

Tourism, Community Involvement on Tourism, Quality of Life, Descriptive Study, IGaCoS, Davao del Norte, Philippines

The Influence Green Banking and Net Interest Margin on Company Value (Case Study of the KBMI III Banking Company Listed on the Indonesian Stock Exchange for the 2018 – 2023 Period)

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Abstract:

Company value is an important indicator of how the company is viewed by investors and other stakeholders. Various factors can influence company value: financial performance and environmental performance. The phenomenon that occurred at the KBMI III banking company was the decline in company value with Tobin's Q value over the last 6 years. The method used in this research is quantitative, examining the relationship between the variables and objects studied, causal in nature, including the independent variables Green Banking and Net Interest Margin and the dependent variable Company Value in numerical and analytical form using statistics. Based on 54 data obtained and processed with SPSS version 27, the values for Green Banking, Net Interest Margin, and Tobin's Q. The Green Banking variable has a positive effect on company value. Meanwhile, the Net Interest Margin variable does not affect company value. Together, green banking and net interest margin influence company value.

Keywords:

Green Banking, Net Interest Margin, Company Value, Tobin's Q

Judged at First Sight: The Impact of Public Perception and Online Objectification

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Abstract:

In today's world, people are judged on looks or who they are walking with. For example, when a young couple of a woman and man walk down the street, people jump to conclusions that they are lovers without considering even the possibility that they are friends or family members. These rash judgments lead to unfair tags and gender stereotypes.

Things are even bad on social media. Adult content is liked and viewed more than useful or positive posts. This shows that people are more attracted to inappropriate or shocking content. It also makes disrespectful behaviour, like making rude comments about women, seem normal. This encourages casual harassment and reduces empathy.

This paper looks at how being misjudged or treated poorly online affects people's emotions and mental health. It shows how constant exposure to objectification lowers self-confidence and trust in others. The research employs surveys, case studies, and facts to demonstrate how public opinion and social media influence individuals' perceptions.

The paper also proposes remedies, including the promotion of kindness and awareness through public campaigns, responsible use of social media, and stricter regulations against online bullying. By teaching empathy and digital responsibility, society can fight against gender bias and create a more caring and fair environment.

This research hopes to make people aware of the harmful effects of quick judgments and online objectification, aiming for a more respectful and understanding society.

Loan Approval Prediction using Machine Learning

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Abstract:

The financial industry has been progressively depending on data-driven solutions in order to increase process efficiency and the accuracy of decisions. The research focuses on machine learning algorithm applications for the prediction of loan approval, optimizing model performance as well as pre-processing techniques. Through the evaluation of multiple classifiers that include Gradient Boosting, Random Forest, Decision Tree, K-Nearest Neighbor, and Support Vector Machine, the study has determined the best approach for the given classification problem.

The experimental results show that the Support Vector Machine(SVM) performed the best with an accuracy of 77.27%. Gradient Boosting and Random Forest showed competitive performances in handling complex datasets. On the other hand, simpler models like Decision Tree and K-Nearest Neighbor were less accurate and demonstrated the need for more sophisticated methods in such tasks.

The results highlight the potential of machine learning in automating and improving loan approval systems, providing faster and more consistent decisions than traditional manual methods. This research provides a foundation for future developments, including the integration of deep learning techniques, the use of feature selection strategies, and the development of web-based predictive tools. The implications are not limited to loan approval but extend to broader applications in financial decision-making [5,8], demonstrating the transformative impact of machine learning on the industry.

This study has demonstrated how machine learning can enhance predictive analytics [4] by dealing with challenges like missing data and balancing categorical and numerical attributes. The results highlight the requirement for continuous model refinement to accommodate the dynamic real-world requirements and thus sustain accuracy and reliability.

Keywords:

Loan Approval, Machine Learning, Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, Support Vector Machine, Data Preprocessing, Predictive Analytics, Financial Decision-Making, Classification Models, Loan Eligibility, Automation, Feature Engineering

Lived Experiences of Leadership: Navigating Challenges of Migrant Officials in a Province

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Abstract:

The study explores the experiences and challenges of migrant officials in Nueva Vizcaya, Philippines using the phenomenological approach. It tackles cultural adaptation, workplace integration, and promotion struggles within a diverse organizational environment. The study used interviews and questionnaires to gather data to selected participants. Key results reveal the participants' resilience, adaptability, and contributions to local governance, counterbalanced by systemic challenges such as cultural bias, limited professional support, and political influences in promotions. Despite the hurdles, their cultural backgrounds and strong work ethics enriched workplace industry and governance effectiveness. Recommendations from this study include fostering a merit-based promotion system, enhancing cultural sensitivity programs, and professional development opportunities. The study emphasizes the importance of inclusive policies in optimizing the potential of diverse bureaucratic populations and serves as a foundation for revising legislation to protect the rights of migrant workers while promoting equitable and just treatment and integration in local governance.

Keywords:

Workplace Integration, Philippines, Cultural Adaptation, Promotion Challenges, Inclusive Governance

Police Complaint on Blockchain

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Abstract:

Police complaints on blockchain is a revolutionary approach to dealing with inefficiencies in law enforcement grievance handling. This decentralized application uses Next.js, ThirdWeb technologies, and blockchain integration to ensure tamper-proof complaint records, real-time updates, and enhanced transparency for citizens and authorities alike. By using ThirdWeb for seamless wallet connections and smart contract interactions, as well as IPFS for decentralized evidence storage, this system provides a scalable, efficient, and user-friendly platform. This application helps automate the categorization and routing of complaints, thereby promoting greater accountability and trust in public services. The application was built with TypeScript and enhanced using modular tools for rapid deployment with the utmost focus on data security and efficient operation of law enforcement agencies.

Keywords:

Blockchain, Decentralized Applications, Complaint Management, Data Security, Transparency, Smart Contracts, User Engagement

Review on the Various AI Techniques used in Travel Guidance Application

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The tourism industry has undergone a profound transformation, thanks to the integration of synthetic Intelligence (AI). This task explores the realm of AI-powered tour publications, which leverage gadget gaining knowledge of and records evaluation to provide tailor-made and sophisticated travel experiences for contemporary globetrotters. In an generation of various and interconnected tour, the planning manner has grown increasingly complex, necessitating personalized answers. AI gives a promising answer via simplifying route planning and improving ordinary travel reports.

It serves a dual purpose: to elucidate AI's potential as a transformative pressure within the tourism industry and to introduce a comprehensive AI-pushed guide that harnesses the power of personalised pointers and non-stop adaptation. The adventure commences with an exploration of AI's modern impact on the tour enterprise. AI has spawned numerous technologies, from actual-time chat assistance to predictive analytics, improving operational performance in airways and motels. furthermore, AI's records processing skills have birthed sensible advice systems that anticipate tourists' desires and create personalized itineraries. The mission also explores various advice strategies, such as hobby finding, content-based totally systems, and context-aware filtering, to demonstrate the multifaceted strategies that AI can rent inside the tourism area.

Keywords:

Artificial Intelligence, Travel Guidance, Machine Learning, Data Analysis, Personalized Recommendations, Continuous Adaptation, Interest Finding, Content-Based Recommender System

Comprehensive Internship and Job Application Management System

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Abstract:

For students and fresh graduates who must apply for various internships and jobs in a competitive labor market, it is a great cause of anxiety. The main problem comes with complexity that accompanies following various deadlines, statuses, and interview schedules. Such complexities bring about many lost opportunities which can cause stress and depression in students. For simplicity, we have created an application that facilitates handling the internship and job application process. It provides a means for central input and management of the most essential details of each internship, and thus, simplifies organizing.

After user registration and login, the application allows true tracking of submitted applications, deadlines, interviews ahead, and graph features that can represent their progress over time. Our internship tracking application empowers the user to focus more on developing quality applications rather than getting bogged down with work that involves administrative tasks, thanks to a user-friendly interface and automated notifications. Improving organization and management of internship searches will help users better their chances at valuable opportunities in their fields of interest.

A Structural and Measurement Model to Analyze Factors Contributing to Uncertainty in Container Shipping by Shipping Liners in Indonesia

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Abstract:

Uncertainty in container shipping operations presents a significant challenge for shipping liners in Indonesia, where delays, inefficiencies, and port-side disruptions continue to affect the reliability of maritime logistics. These uncertainties stem from various internal and external factors, such as infrastructure limitations, administrative complexity, and dynamic supply-demand conditions. Despite the importance of this issue, few studies have focused specifically on how shipping liners perceive and manage such uncertainty within the Indonesian context. This study aims to identify and analyse the key factors contributing to uncertainty in the container shipping process from the perspective of shipping liners operating in Indonesia. To achieve this, the study employs Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modelling (PLS-SEM), an analytical method well-suited for modelling latent variables in complex systems with small sample sizes and non-normally distributed data. The research framework incorporates both a measurement model and a structural model, involving nine latent variables representing major stages in container shipping, including gate-in, weighing, container yard activity, container repositioning, and stevedoring. Empirical data were collected through structured surveys administered to professionals from Indonesian shipping companies. The results of the analysis indicate that container weighing (P), container yard (CY) operations, loaded container repositioning (RP), and empty container repositioning (RPK) are the most influential factors driving uncertainty in the shipping process. These findings highlight the critical need for improved control and monitoring mechanisms, especially in container handling and yard operations. By transforming these factors into measurable indicators, shipping liners can better manage uncertainty, reduce delays, and improve delivery reliability. This research provides a foundation for future studies focusing on the optimization of container repositioning strategies to enhance the operational performance of Indonesia's maritime logistics sector.

AI-Driven Image and Video Restoration: A Comprehensive System for Enhancement and Super-Resolution

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Abstract:

Video & Image enhancement and restoration is an important activity in computer vision that usually deals with the quality or upgradation of an image. This paper concerns the development and implementation of an advanced image and video enhancement system based on some advanced AI models. The system employs multiple deep learning-based models for image restoration, enhancement, and video enhancement in order to handle common challenges of low resolution, noise, blur, and loss of detail that commonly afflict digital media.

Modelling techniques are applied for image restoration to enhance low-resolution images, to bring in resolution and general clearness. The image enhancement module uses AI to improve the perceptual quality of an image, especially in super-resolution, denoising, and detail enhancement. The video enhancement module expands the capabilities further into moving images with better visual quality through artifacts reduction, frame enhancement, and maintaining coherence in a timeline.

The very results reveal highly impressive improvements for images and videos regarding metrics like Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio and Structural Similarity Index. Differential flexibility of the system ensures that the user chooses the suitable AI model for his or her task while giving optimized output according to the input type. This study helps fill the gap in the existing literature by giving an integrated, multi-model platform offering extensive visual media restoration and processing capabilities with applications in media production, digital preservation, and security

Keywords:

Image Restoration, Video Restoration, AI-Based Image Enhancement, AI-Based Video Enhancement, Neural Networks, Adaptive Image Processing, Deep Learning

A Comprehensive Review of Enhancing EGG Signal Processing using Random Forest Algorithm

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Abstract:

Electrogastrography (EGG) is a non-invasive method for measuring gastric myoelectrical activity. However, the accuracy of EGG recordings is often compromised due to low signal amplitude, motion artifacts, and external noise. Enhancing the EGG signal using biomedical signal processing techniques can significantly improve the analysis of gastric motility disorders. This study focuses on developing a robust EGG acquisition and processing system utilizing an AD620 instrumentation amplifier and ADS1015 analog-to-digital converter (ADC). The EGG signal is acquired through Ag/AgCl surface electrodes placed on the stomach, amplified using AD620, converted into digital format via ADS1015, and stored in a Raspberry Pi 4 Model B. The collected data undergoes preprocessing techniques, focusing on feature extraction to derive relevant statistical parameters. A Random Forest classification model is applied to analyze the processed signals, ensuring accurate differentiation of gastric conditions. The preliminary results indicate that this approach enhances the quality of EGG signals and provides reliable classification based on key statistical parameters. This study demonstrates the effectiveness of biomedical signal processing techniques in improving EGG signal clarity and diagnostic accuracy.

Keywords:

Machine Learning, Classification Algorithm, Random Forest, Confusion Matrix, Conclusions Are Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-Score

Comparative Study of Machine Learning Algorithms for Fraud Detection in Blockchain

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Abstract:

Using blockchain technology companies gained a safe decentralized approach for handling operations spanning across financial services through healthcare solutions all the way to supply chain operations. Fraudulent activities flourish in the expanding blockchain space because more entities use this technology yet companies need upgraded detection methods. The research known as Comparative Study of Machine Learning Algorithms for Fraud Detection in Blockchain performs assessments on multiple machine learning approaches to detect fraudulent blockchain transactions. This research utilizes factual blockchain data and artificial blockchain records alongside machine learning models that employ SVM, random forests, neural networks together with clustering methods. The algorithms get evaluated through an assessment of accuracy as well as precision and recall and F1 score and computational efficiency metrics. Detailed experiments and analysis in the project illustrate the advantages and weaknesses of each method to determine their effectiveness in real-time fraud detection of blockchain systems. The research seeks to establish better fraud prevention frameworks for blockchain systems which would lead to safer and more dependable blockchain environments.

Keywords:

Machine Learning, Classification Algorithm, Random Forest, Confusion Matrix, Conclusions Are Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-Score

Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning and Deep Learning Models for Phishing Detection in URLs, Emails, and Webpage Content

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Abstract:

This paper investigates and compares the performances of three machine learning models: Random Forest, XGBoost, Multi-Layer Perceptron, which is often referred to as MLP, and a finetuned DistilBERT. Users who fall victim to phishing attacks unknowingly share vital information with cybercriminals due to the deception technique. The capability of traditional detection methods to detect updated attack techniques falls short so machine learning and deep learning based solutions have become necessary. The research investigates the application of DistilBERT which functions as a compact transformer-based model for phishing detection tasks. The model received its training from phishing URLs and genuine URLs through transfer learning. The experimental evaluation shows DistilBERT obtains phishing detection accuracy exceeding 90% which proves better than standard classifiers Random Forest and XGBoost during textual content analysis. The research demonstrates transformer-based models become promising tools for real-time phishing detection while ongoing work promotes improvements on generalization and scalability areas.

Keywords:

Machine Learning, Transformers, Bidirectional Encoder Representations for Transformers, Natural Language Processing, Classification, Random Forest, XGBoost, Multi-Layer Perceptron, F1-Score, Precision, Recall, Model Performance Comparison

AI-Assisted Search for Missing Person

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Abstract:

AI-based face recognition for missing person searches is a promising method that has the potential to greatly increase search speed and accuracy. The method compares real-time video footage from security cameras with the facial photographs of missing people using artificial intelligence algorithms. This study suggests a way to use facial recognition technology in video surveillance systems to locate missing people. The approach entails gathering information about the missing individual, creating a database of facial photographs, then matching those images with live video footage using artificial intelligence algorithms. The goal of the computer science discipline of artificial intelligence (AI) is to create intelligent machines that are capable of carrying out tasks that normally call for human intelligence. This covers activities like language translation, speech recognition, visual perception, and decision-making. Machine learning methods enable AI systems to learn from data and gradually enhance their performance. An effective method for training multi-layered artificial neural networks that allow AI systems to identify intricate patterns and generate precise predictions is deep learning, a subset of machine learning. The technique can be used to promptly detect and find missing people in public areas like train stations and airports. The suggested approach might greatly increase the speed and precision of missing person searches, which would raise the possibility of successful reunions by raising the likelihood of successful missing person searches. A well-liked method with encouraging outcomes is the use of the Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) algorithm for face recognition in the search for missing people. CNN is a popular deep learning method for image recognition and classification applications, which makes it appropriate for facial recognition.

Keywords:

Face Recognition, Convolutional Neural Networks, Surveillance Video Analysis, Missing Person Detection

Real-Time Multilingual Audio Translation and Transcription in Video Conferencing

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Abstract:

This paper reports on a real-time multilingual speech-to-speech translation and transcription system deployed as part of a video conferencing application. Deepgram speech-to-text is used, and translation is handled using the Google Translate API. Pusher maintains smooth real-time updates, with LiveKit dealing with high-fidelity audio and video streaming in real time with little latency. The solution presented greatly mitigates language barriers, allowing smooth collaboration among speakers of different languages. This project showcases a feasible, scalable solution for enhancing communication in multilingual, diverse settings, opening the door to further innovations in AI-driven conferencing technology. It dynamically processes audio input, converts it into text, translates it into the desired language, and plays back the translated speech in real time. The architecture is highly scalable and optimized for minimal latency, ensuring a responsive and intuitive user experience. This project lays the foundation for future advancements in AI-driven video conferencing platforms, improving inclusivity and collaboration in multilingual scenarios.

Keywords:

Real-Time Translation, Multilingual Video Conferencing, Speech-to-Text (STT), Text-to-Speech (TTS), WebRTC Communication, Deepgram API, Google Translate API, LiveKit Integration, Pusher for Synchronization, Real-Time Subtitles, Low-Latency Communication

Parking Club: The Parking Management System

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In modern smart cities, parking has become one of the most pressing issues, directly contributing to increased traffic congestion and significant time wastage. The growing number of vehicles coupled with limited parking spaces exacerbates the problem, especially during peak hours in commercial and urban areas. This paper introduces a Smart Parking System, a cutting-edge solution that integrates an Android-based application with Internet of Things (IoT) technology to address these challenges effectively. By leveraging advanced hardware components such as ESP8266 controllers, RFID readers, and IR sensors, the system offers seamless parking management and user interaction (Bonde, 2012; Rashid et al., 2012).

The core functionality of the proposed system revolves around providing users with an intuitive interface to view and book available parking slots in real-time. Through the Android application, users can check the status of parking areas, reserve slots, and even cancel bookings within a predefined timeframe of 20 minutes. The slot availability is visually represented using color-coded indicators—green for available slots and red for reserved ones—ensuring clarity and ease of use. Once a slot is booked, users receive confirmation via email or SMS, which includes the parking slot details and reservation ID (Geng & Cassandras, 2012; Sarkar et al., 2012).

Payment methods for slot reservations include secure online transactions through credit cards or net banking, enhancing convenience for users while reducing reliance on manual fee collection. The system incorporates IoT-enabled components to update parking slot statuses dynamically, minimizing human intervention and errors. For instance, the use of RFID technology enables automatic slot detection and management, while IR sensors help in real-time vehicle movement tracking. These features collectively ensure optimized utilization of parking spaces and contribute to reducing overall traffic congestion (Al-Kharusi & Al-Bahadly, 2014; Yusra et al., 2012).

The proposed solution not only addresses the inefficiencies in traditional parking management systems but also demonstrates the practical application of IoT in urban infrastructure. By enabling users to plan their parking needs in advance, the system minimizes unnecessary delays and enhances the overall commuting experience. This study highlights the potential for further advancements in smart city initiatives by integrating IoT with user-centric technologies, paving the way for more sustainable and efficient urban ecosystems (Pham et al., 2015; Singh et al., 2014).

Keywords:

Smart Parking System, Real-time Slot Detection, Reservation Management, Color-coded Slot Indicators, Traffic Congestion Reduction, Online Payment Integration, Email and SMS Notifications, Hardware Integration, Automated Parking Management, Urban Infrastructure Optimization, Wireless Communication, Peak Hour Parking Solutions, IoT-enabled Automation, User-centric Design, Sustainable Urban Ecosystems.

Quantum Computing for Data Processing: Revolutionizing Data Engineering Through Quantum Mechanics

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Abstract:

This research paper explores the emerging role of quantum computing in data processing, analyzing its potential impact on traditional data engineering paradigms. We examine current quantum computing implementations, their applications in data processing, and the challenges and opportunities they present for the future of data engineering. The paper provides an overview of the latest developments in quantum computing hardware and software, explores how quantum computing can be leveraged for tasks such as data analysis, optimization, and simulation, and identifies the key challenges as well as the potential opportunities and benefits that quantum computing can bring to the future of data engineering. Through this comprehensive analysis, the paper aims to offer insights into the transformative role of quantum computing in data processing and its implications for the data engineering field.

Outcomes During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Basis for the Proposed Elementary Reading

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Abstract:

Reading is a fundamental skill, and its acquisition among children is a significant triumph in their development. Unfortunately, the challenges faced by many countries in developing reading literacy have been further widened by the Covid-19 pandemic. This resulted in governments implementing policies such as school closures and the need to shift to remote learning modalities, thus signifying limited opportunities to develop reading skills among children. This research aims to examine children's reading skills in terms of the following components of early literacy, oral languages, phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, phonics, vocabulary development, and reading comprehension. Also, it seeks to identify the best evaluation methods, activities and materials to be utilized in the intervention program to promote literacy among pupils enrolled in the Longitudinal Reading Program. The descriptive research design was employed, and data were collected using a self-structured interview questionnaire. Data analysis utilized a mixed-method approach, which allows the collection of both quantitative and qualitative data. The results indicated that the majority of Grade 1 pupils are still refining their oral language skills, particularly in recognizing and manipulating phonemes within words. Additionally, many pupils are in the early stages of vocabulary acquisition. In teaching reading, the involvement of parents in facilitating their children's reading developmental activities is deemed pivotal in the advancement of the literacy skills. The findings suggest that pupils attain optimal reading proficiency through a combination of printed materials and video lesson support. Future intervention programs should encompass parental training and adopt a flexible modular framework to offer personalized assistance.

Keywords:

Reading, Reading Comprehension, Reading Materials, Teaching Reading, Intervention

Exploring Women's Empowerment: Bibliometric on Trends and Innovations in Gender Equality

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Abstract:

Women's empowerment has become an issue of social interest worldwide, becoming an essential element for the achievement of inclusive and sustainable development; In recent years, this issue has been addressed by several researchers, who have emphasized its importance and the urgent need to work on gender equality, with the aim of eliminating discrimination, restriction of rights, and violence in all its senses.

In this study, a bibliometric analysis is carried out detailing the emerging trends regarding female empowerment and gender equality; The research is based on publications between 1900 and 2023, with the aim of knowing the behavior of the variables over time and the connections between the various studies and topics addressed; The database considered 947 publications that have been subject to analysis which belong to studies focused on social, political, business and economic issues.

Virtual Learning Taught by Educational Institutions and Its Relationship with International Business E-Business in Peru

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This research aimed to determine the results of the level of virtual learning in an educational institution that teaches the international business administration career and how it is related to international business E-Business in their respective jobs in Peru, in students of the professional technical level of a Higher Institution 2021. The type of basic research", it also served to identify problems that should be intervened and to define solution strategies. The research method is hypothetical and deductive, because the working hypothesis is derived from the theoretical framework, it was developed under a relational research design, and it is carried out in a Private Technological Institution of Technical level in Peru. The procedure for obtaining data was through the application of a survey. The results indicate that there is a significant correlation between virtual education and international e-business. Likewise, a very high positive statistically significant correlation coefficient was found ($P = 0.883$), so it is concluded that the hypothesis is proven. Based on the results obtained, it can be affirmed that students of a professional technical level of a Higher Institution learn knowledge through virtual education that helps them make appropriate decisions when they apply them in international business E-Business.

Optimizing Performance of Machine Learning Algorithms for Diabetes Detection using Osprey Optimizer Algorithm

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Abstract:

Diabetes, a chronic condition characterized by elevated blood sugar levels, has emerged as a significant global health concern, impacting millions of lives worldwide. Machine Learning (ML) algorithms have shown promising results in analyzing vast amounts of medical data to predict diabetes more efficiently. However, the performance of ML classifiers can be significantly impacted by hyperparameter tuning, which traditional optimization techniques like Grid Search and Random Search often fail to address effectively. To overcome these limitations, this research employs the Osprey Optimization Algorithm (OOA), a novel metaheuristic inspired by the hunting behavior of ospreys, to optimize the performance of ML classifiers, including Decision Tree (DT), Naive Bayes (NB) and Support Vector Machine (SVM). OOA efficiently balances exploration and exploitation phases, ensuring optimal hyperparameter selection. The effectiveness of OOA has been validated against 29 standard benchmark functions from the CEC 2021 test suite, demonstrating superior performance compared to 20 existing metaheuristic algorithms. This paper presents the implementation of OOA for optimizing ML classifiers, compares their performance with and without optimization, and highlights the impact of OOA on improving diabetes detection accuracy.

Keywords:

Diabetes, OOA, Prediction, Decision Tree, SVM, Naive Byes

Resolving Misdiagnosed Epilepsy in Sleep Disorders Using Graph Neural Networks and EEG Microarchitecture in Paediatrics

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Abstract:

Sleep is essential for cognition, memory, and neurological health. Sleep microarchitecture defined by events like sleep spindles, K-complexes, slow waves, and EEG bandpower in delta, theta, alpha, beta, and gamma frequency bands provides vital information regarding neurological disorders. Microstructural EEG characteristics, especially in the alpha, beta, and theta bands, are particularly important in distinguishing between confounding sleep-related pathologies. One such diagnostic dilemma is non-convulsive epilepsies—like benign centro-temporal epilepsy, benign partial epilepsy with affective symptoms, and nocturnal frontal lobe epilepsy (NFLE)—that tend to occur during sleep with spectacular motor or vocal behaviour. These activities, such as kicking, thrashing, or screaming, can closely mimic parasomnias like sleep terrors or pseudoseizures. The problem is compounded by the fact that ictal EEGs in these instances can be normal, resulting in high rates of misdiagnosis and improper treatments. To solve this, we propose a Graph Autoencoder (GAE)–Graph Attention Network (GAT) model that is capable of processing Polysomnography (PSG) data and decoding the fine differences in EEG microarchitecture. The model builds dynamic graphs in which EEG epochs are vertices and edges represent bandpower similarity in alpha, beta, and theta bands. The GAE extracts latent topological properties, whereas the GAT utilizes attention mechanisms to classify patterns with high specificity. On the National Children’s Hospital (NCH) PSG dataset, our model obtained 92% accuracy, correctly distinguishing between epileptic events and parasomnias like sleep terrors, resolving earlier diagnostic uncertainty.

Keywords:

Polysomnography, NCH Dataset, Paediatrics Sleep Study, Graph Attention Networks, Sleep Microarchitecture

Balancing the Gig: Exploring the Impact of Mental Health, Financial Stability, and Work-Life Balance on Gig Work Performance

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Abstract:

The gig economy's massive growth has completely changed the nature of traditional work, providing individuals with flexibility and independence but also putting them at risk for work-life imbalances, mental health issues, and unstable finances. Using Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs as a lens, this study examines the complex interactions between these variables and how they affect gig workers' performance overall. Through a combination of existing literature and empirical analysis using Partial Least Squares Structural Equation Modeling (PLS-SEM), this study explores the effects of algorithm-driven work structures, income volatility, and the lack of employment benefits on the productivity and well-being of gig workers. The study's findings show strong links between financial stability, mental health, and job performance, pointing the crucial need for platform-based interventions and regulatory reforms. It also explains how unfulfilled psychological and safety requirements might impair gig workers' motivation and overall level of job engagement. The study highlights how urgent it is to create more inclusive support ecosystems by pointing out these gaps. This research contributes to the conversation around on sustainable gig work models by offering data-driven insights and promoting social security frameworks, fair labor practices, and enhanced mental health support networks. Policymakers, gig platforms, and researchers looking to improve the long-term viability of platform-based employment can all benefit from the study's findings.

Keywords:

Gig Workers, Financial Stability, Mental Health, Work Life Balance, Gig Work Performance, Gig Economy, Fair Labor Practices

Remote Sensing Device for Water Level and Discharge Monitoring of Agricultural Irrigation Canal

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Efficient water management is an effective tool in the agricultural aspect. This was implemented by monitoring water depth and discharge supplying water to agricultural fields along irrigation canals. The same method was needed to study agricultural irrigation canals as a small-scale water source of energy. To provide access to continuous water profile monitoring, a remote sensing monitoring device was fabricated and experimentally observed for data validation. The device was supplied by solar power to provide the power requirement of its hardware, including an ultrasonic sensor, a microcontroller, and a wireless communication system. The device was also used to measure the temperature and humidity of the area location. Data monitoring uses the arduino program. The whole device system gathers and processes the data through the microcontroller and sends it to the registered cellphone number through SMS. The device's data measurement accuracy was validated through simultaneous manual water level measurement. Results show that at a 5% level of significance, there is no significant difference between the manual measurements and the device measurement only when the ultrasonic sensor was at 100 centimeters and 120 centimeters above the water floor level. The study then recommended the use of monitoring devices as primary data in assessing the water power capacity of the stream, specifically the agricultural irrigation canal as a small-scale water resource, as well as for the water management techniques in the irrigating agricultural area.

Keywords:

Agricultural Irrigation, Remote Sensing, Water Discharge, Monitoring Device

TokenCare: AI-Driven Predictive Healthcare with Blockchain Security

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The project (TokenCare) intends to design a blockchain-based system that will ensure secure storage of medical records but apply machine learning algorithms to enhance disease prediction. The proposed project will consist of several phases, with the first phase being the storage of secure data using blockchain technology. However, the second part will cover preprocessing data in a compatible format for machine-learning models, training predictive algorithms with medical datasets and building an interactive user interface for user satisfaction. TokenCare will create an enabling environment to ensure integrity, confidentiality, and decentralized access to medical data, yet empower patients while health care providers predict diseases with just the right degree of effectiveness.

Keywords:

AI, Healthcare, Blockchain, AI-ML, Machine Learning, Disease Prediction, Algorithms

MEDBOT

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MedBot is an AI-driven conversational healthcare assistant designed to enhance accessibility and efficiency in healthcare delivery across diverse settings. By leveraging advancements in Natural Language Processing (NLP) and Machine Learning (ML), it provides real-time medical guidance, symptom analysis, and personalized healthcare recommendations. Through integration with telemedicine platforms, MedBot enables remote consultations and medication management while ensuring data privacy and compliance with regulations. This paper explores the methodology, implementation, and impact of MedBot, highlighting its potential to address healthcare challenges, particularly in underserved regions, and revolutionize healthcare delivery through innovative technology.

Keywords:

AI, Healthcare, Blockchain, AI-ML, Machine Learning, Disease Prediction, Algorithms

Breaking Language Barriers: Real-Time Speech Translation Using NLP Techniques

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Abstract:

With the increasing connectivity of the world today, there has arisen the need for effective communication across languages. This research paper aims to presents a real-time speech translation system based on advanced Artificial Intelligences and Natural Language Program techniques used with python. The research has various module initially step is with web application model which can translate it mean any ongoing conversation between two users smoothly. It supports many languages from surroundings. A modern approach to design allows easy and efficient making and testing of the application and ensures smooth working of it. These modules integrated within the system include Speech Recognition for converting the voice pronunciation word into text, as like Googletrans for translating that text into as many languages as possible, and gTTS (Google Text-to-Speech) to convert the translated text into audio format. User testing to ensure the application has high accuracy for speech recognition and translation and an average response time. Results from user testing gives good feedback about the performance of the application for real time use. The results highlight the effective role of NLP in breaking language barriers, making global communication easier and more efficient.

Keywords:

Natural Language Program, gTTS, Text, Artificial intelligences, Googletrans, Speech Recognition

Tudományos Diákköri Konferencia 2024 Waste For You, Food For Others: Exploring the Interplay of Country-Level Factors and Consumer Attitudes in Addressing Food Wastage: A Multi-Method Approach

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Abstract:

Sustainability is determined not only at the consumer level but also significantly at the corporate and even governmental levels. Food waste has been a widely discussed topic since the 1987 Brundtland Report, academic research and policy-makers also raise awareness on the constantly increasing issue. Which participants in the supply chain can play a key role in reducing waste emissions? What role does the government and consumer decisions industry play in this? The broad scope of the research focuses on analyzing the relationship between country-level food wastage and other factors affecting it using a linear regression method. Then consumer attitudes will be investigated through a semi-qualitative Q-methodology analysis.

Sustainable Artistry from E-Waste and Plastic Waste

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The escalating environmental concerns surrounding electronic waste (E-waste) and plastic waste have necessitated innovative approaches to reduce their adverse impact. This paper introduces an e-commerce platform designed to promote sustainability by leveraging these waste streams to create artistic products. The platform serves as a bridge between the sustainable art community, consumers, and waste materials, fostering a circular economy that mitigates waste accumulation and promotes the creation of unique, environmentally friendly goods. This research explores the challenges and opportunities inherent in the convergence of sustainability, art, and technology. It presents a detailed analysis of the methods employed to source, process, and transform E-waste and plastic waste into aesthetically pleasing and functional products. Additionally, the paper investigates the mechanisms for quality control and up cycling, ensuring that these waste materials are utilized in a manner that adheres to eco-friendly principles.

Keywords:

Sustainable Artistry, Waste Upcycling, Circular Design Marketplace, Eco-Conscious Consumers, Green Product Sourcing, Environmental Innovation

Exploring Efficient Cemetery Management: Practices, Challenges and Innovations at New Bilibid Prison Cemetery as a Basis for Improved Operational Effectiveness and Sustainable Development

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Efficient cemetery management is crucial for ensuring operational effectiveness and sustainable development, particularly in facilities with unique challenges like the New Bilibid Prison (NBP) Cemetery. This study investigated the existing practices and challenges and suggested innovative strategies to be implemented at the NBP Cemetery to improve its management and operations. Employing a mixed methods approach, data were gathered through surveys and semi-structured interviews with six personnel responsible for cemetery operations. Findings highlight the identified existing cemetery practices, the challenges faced by NBP Cemetery in terms of its operational effectiveness and sustainability, and lastly, the identified innovative solutions to be implemented in addressing these challenges.

Keywords:

Cemetery Management, Challenges, Practices, Cemetery Policies, NBP Cemetery

Spatial and Temporal Data Analysis in Geographic Information Systems Using Deep Learning Techniques

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Abstract:

A GIS is a system used to collect, control, and examine information about geography. Based on geographic principles, GIS combines various data sources. By examining where things are located and arranging different types of data into visual representations through maps and 3D scenes, GIS helps uncover more comprehensive understandings of patterns, connections, and circumstances within the data. By combining spatial data with mapping technology, GIS enables users to make informed and intelligent decisions. The aim of the research is to evaluate advanced deep learning designs for predicting time series, highlight recent advancements and challenges, and focus on standard data sets for comparison. In addition, the study provides a definite difference between deep learning structures appropriate for immediate and prolonged predictions. In comparison to previous studies, the main benefit of this research lies in presenting the latest models for predicting time series data, including Graph Neural Networks, Deep Gaussian Processes, Generative Adversarial Networks, Diffusion Models, and Transformers.

Keywords:

Spatial-Temporal, Deep Learning Methods, Large-Scale Land-Use Classification, Satellite Imagery, Time Series, Landsat Imagery, Pan-Tropical Model, Continental Models, Land-Use Following Deforestation

Detection of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) using Deep Learning Techniques

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Abstract:

Drones are progressively attracting global interest, going beyond simple pastimes to transform fields like engineering, disaster relief, logistics, and airport security, along with countless other intriguing uses. Nonetheless, there is increasing worry regarding the dangers they present to physical infrastructure, especially at airports, because of possible abuse. Recently, many cases of unknown drones at public interfering with drones are documented. To address this problem, this article presents a novel deep learning technique designed to accurately differentiate between drones and birds. Assessing the recommended method with a meticulously curated image dataset shows outstanding results, exceeding the performance of detection systems previously suggested in the literature. Because drones can seem very tiny in comparison to other airborne objects, we created a strong image-tiling method with overlaps, which demonstrated enhanced performance when dealing with very small drones.

Keywords:

Machine learning Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence, Sentimental Analysis, LSTM

BERT Fine-Tuning for Aspect-Based Sentiment Analysis: A Study on Advanced Sentiment Insights

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Abstract:

Due to the fact that we have so much content that expresses opinions these days, sentiment analysis has gained a lot of popularity in both study and industry created by Internet users. Classifying a text's general sentiment is the focus of standard sentiment analysis, but it leaves out other crucial details like the entity, topic, or feature of the text that the sentiment is directed towards. The more difficult process of aspect-based sentiment analysis (ABSA) entails determining both sentiments and aspects. It is challenging to analyse the language used in a review; it calls for a solid understanding of the language. This research explores Aspect-Based Sentiment Analysis (ABSA) using a fine-tuned BERT model. We are using SemEval 2014(task 4) [1] dataset in this project. Using BERT fine tuning, we can use any sentence as its input for the model to generate the output. Our research shows a validation accuracy of 73.98%, showing improvement over baseline models. The input is not only based on the sentences present in the dataset it can work on any type of provided input sentence. We will show the sample of the input taken and the output result in this paper.

Keywords:

Neural Networks, BERT, Deep Learning, Streamlit, SemEval, ABSA, sentence

