ARUN ALVIN PHILIPS



AI SYSTEMS ENGINEER & COMMUNITY BUILDER | HUMAN-CENTRIC TECHNOLOGY

Target: **Master of Science in Natural Language Processing (MSc in NLP)** • Mohamed bin Zayed University of Artificial Intelligence (MBZUAI)
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EXECUTIVE RESEARCH STATEMENT & PROGRAMMATIC VISION

Core Philosophy: *"The translation of thoughts into ideas, ideas into words, and words into reality is the foundational problem that troubles and excites me the most."* Millions of world-changing ideas remain abandoned in an unfulfilled graveyard of dreams because everyday builders lack the technical pipelines or engineering literacy to bridge raw intent to autonomous execution. Within five years, conventional prompting and manual workflow engineering will become obsolete; enduring value will center exclusively on human creativity, human ideas, and human agency.

Three Targeted Research Frontiers at MBZUAI:

- **1. Brain-Computer Interfaces (BCI) for Intent Formulation:** Decoding neural and cognitive signals into structured, agent-actionable execution graphs, bypassing the latency and brittleness of manual prompting.
- **2. Multilingual & Dialectal Intent Extraction:** Developing robust semantic parsing and intention-recognition models for code-mixed, colloquial, and low-resource speech, specifically focusing on Gulf Arabic dialects and South Asian languages to empower voice-first and non-literate populations.
- **3. Purpose-Built, Low-Compute Execution Models:** Engineering domain-specific, low-cost generative models that outperform frontier generalist models at a fraction of inference cost, backed by frameworks ensuring preferential access for vulnerable communities.

Faculty Synergies: Dr. Alham Fikri Aji (Multilingual NLP, Efficient Architectures) • Dr. Thamar Solorio (Multimodal Processing, Healthcare NLP) • Dr. Divya Ramesh (Human-Centered AI, Cognitive Agency, HCI).

KEYNOTE & STAGE SPEAKING: DEVCON 8 KEYNOTE FEATURE



On Stage at Devcon 8 (Mumbai)
Keynote Presentation

Keynote: "Why Prompting Will Become Obsolete & The Future of Agentic Dreams"

Jio World Centre, Mumbai • Session Host: DEP3PAC / DreamStarter • **Featured Keynote**

In this keynote address delivered before an international developer audience at Devcon 8, Arun presented his thesis on the obsolescence of prompt engineering, the transition to autonomous agent networks, and the imperative of collective building.

> *"I predict that in the next five years, prompting as we are all learning and knowing it today is going to be obsolete. Knowing how these different AI workflows work, designing these AI workflows - that is going to be obsolete. What's only going to remain is your human ideas, your human creativity. It's all going to become about the ideas, about the creativity, about your dreams in the very near future... Every single thought you have, you think of something beautiful and then it disappears and then it's lost in this world forever. That was my biggest fear; that's why I built DreamStarter. I hate this graveyard of dreams, this graveyard of ideas. We make sure these ideas don't die... And dreams are not meant to be built in isolation. What we will do is connect you with 10 other people with the same dream so you can build and launch it together."*

Core Argument: Prompting is a temporary abstraction layer. Natural language processing must evolve from keyword matching and manual prompt craft into deep cognitive intent compilation.

VENTURE & TECHNICAL SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE: DREAMSTARTER

DreamStarter.xyz • Founder & Chief AI Systems Architect **2024 – Present**

Autonomous Multi-Agent Orchestration Platform for Grassroots Creators & Non-Profits *Dubai, UAE & Global*

Architected and shipped an agent orchestration platform that empowers everyday dreamers, non-profits, and educators with an autonomous agentic workforce to handle research, design, vertical video production, and outreach.

- **Multi-Model Orchestration Pipelines:** Built unified agent routing systems coordinating frontier LLMs (Gemini 1.5/2.0, Claude 3.5 Sonnet) and open-source models (Llama 3, Mistral) to converse naturally with users, disambiguate under-specified intent, and execute multi-step marketing and media workflows.
- **Multimodal Audiovisual Processing:** Integrated Whisper with dynamic time warping (DTW) for word-level phonetic alignment and DeepFilterNet3 for neural audio enhancement. Implemented active-speaker tracking using Mediapipe and OpenCV to dynamically frame and crop 16:9 landscape video into broadcast-grade 9:16 vertical HD media (800+ videos synthesized).
- **Collaborative "Dreamer Pods":** Engineered conversational matching algorithms that analyze unstructured dream briefs and cluster creators with aligned visions into collaborative teams, preventing dreams from being built in isolation.
- **Commercial Traction & Creator Revenue:** Generated **,000+ in creator revenue** across 100+ active dreamers on the platform. Key demonstrated case studies:
  - *English Etymology Professor:* Automated script extraction, visuals, and video production to reach 400+ subscribers with zero video editing experience.
  - *Spiritual Reflections Guide:* Automated daily reflection video publishing, growing audience to 500+ subscribers.
  - *Sitar World:* Dedicated preservation of Indian classical acoustic traditions and master-disciple pedagogy through AI storytelling.
  - *Pet Care Conversational AI:* Specialized conversational pipeline for veterinary support and pet care assistance.
- **Developer Startup Compute Grants:** Competitively awarded AI compute grants from **ElevenLabs** and **Cartesia Voice AI** for real-time conversational agent voice synthesis and low-latency voice cloning.

LEADERSHIP, ECOSYSTEM SCALING & CIVIC IMPACT

Polygon Technology • Head of Marketing & Community (CMO) **2020 – 2021**

Global Ecosystem Positioning, Strategic Rebrand & Developer Growth *Dubai, UAE & Singapore*

- Spearheaded the worldwide marketing strategy and global positioning rebrand from Matic Network to Polygon, helping propel the network into a **Billion+ market capitalization** ecosystem.
- Scaled the global builder, developer, and user community to **500,000+ members** across Asia-Pacific, Europe, and the Americas, designing international ambassador networks.

EdgeCity Ground Floor Labs • AI Resident & Local Enterprise Lead **Concluded Oct 2026**

Civic AI Enablement & Enterprise Transformation *Goa, India*

- Partnered with the local Goa Government, civic groups (Save Goa, Act for Goa), and 50 local small businesses to deploy practical generative AI and automated operations.
- Collaborated directly with **Anthropic** to run hands-on workshops training non-technical business owners on Claude, enabling individuals with zero prior programming knowledge to automate workflows.

Techstars Global Facilitator • Ecosystem Leadership **2016 – Present**

Startup Weekends across APAC & Europe *India, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, Italy*

- Facilitated and hosted 18+ Techstars Startup Weekend innovation sprints, educating and mentoring **15,000+ entrepreneurs** on taking concepts from raw idea to functional prototype in 54 hours.
- **Bhutan GovTech Division Collaboration:** Invited by the Royal Government of Bhutan to lead national Startup Weekends for 1,000+ Bhutanese innovators (featured with Prime Minister Dr. Lotay Tshering), and served as official judge for national hackathons on digital identity (NDI) and land registries.

ACADEMIC FOUNDATION & UNDERGRADUATE CAPSTONE RESEARCH

National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli (NIT Trichy), India **2013 – 2017**

Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (EEE) *First Class Honours | CGPA: 7.24 / 10.0*

- **Undergraduate Capstone Research Thesis (Course EE498 – Grade 'A', 6 Credits):**
  Title: "Real-Time Sentiment Analysis and Conversation Monitoring Chat Architecture"
  Supervisor: Dr. S. Sudha (Professor & Head of Department, Electrical and Electronics Engineering)
  • Designed and implemented natural language processing algorithms to extract emotional valence, sentiment polarity shifts, and latent conversational indicators of depression from chat text.
  • Demonstrated that statistical text classification and sentiment trajectory tracking could detect early-stage depressive episode patterns in unscripted messaging streams.
- **Full Merit Scholarship (SPDC, 2013 – 2017):** Awarded the Scholarship for Diaspora Children by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, providing 100% full tuition coverage across all four years of undergraduate engineering study.
- **Executive Campus Leadership:** Head of the Entrepreneurship Cell at NIT Trichy (2014-2017); managed national entrepreneurial initiatives reaching over 200,000 attendees across India.
- **Quantitative Rigor:** Completed coursework in Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, Signals & Systems, Digital Signal Processing (DSP), Transforms & PDEs, Numerical Methods, Data Structures & Algorithms, Control Systems, and Computer Networks.

ENTERPRISE CLOUD ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE

Oracle India • Applications Engineer (Cloud Systems) **2017 – 2019**

Enterprise Database Architecture & High-Throughput Cloud Migration *Bengaluru, India*

- Engineered enterprise cloud migration data pipelines for Oracle Sales Cloud, moving millions of customer records from on-premise relational databases to cloud infrastructure with strict atomicity and zero data loss using Java, SQL, and PL/SQL.
- Optimized high-volume database query execution plans, schema partitioning, and index structures across mission-critical distributed systems.
- Won 1st Place across Table Topics, Prepared Speech, and Evaluation at Oracle Titans Toastmasters.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, WHITEPAPERS & RESEARCH REPORTS

- **Research Proposal for Government Procurement of AI Solutions (2024):** Formulated a strategic evaluation framework proposing standardized latency metrics, safety benchmarks, and multi-agent verification protocols for public-sector deployment of foundational models.
- **Autonomous Multi-Agent Systems in Public Goods Capital Allocation (Devcon Bangkok / FtC 2024):** Researched programmatic patron matching, transparent capital distribution, and agentic media amplification for grassroots public goods initiatives.
- **Applied Generative AI for Local Commerce & Civic Advocacy (EdgeCity Goa Whitepaper, 2024):** Case study analyzing operational hours saved and workflow automations achieved across 50 small businesses using Claude agent configurations.
- **Helptheworld.io: Decentralized Resource Allocation in Global Crises (2020):** Architectural whitepaper outlining volunteer verification algorithms and supply chain coordination protocols during emergency response.
- **Comprehensive Guide to the UAE Web3 and Emerging Technology Ecosystem (2023):** Policy report evaluating UAE digital asset frameworks, regulatory sandboxes, and startup incubation infrastructure across Abu Dhabi (Hub71/ADGM) and Dubai.

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS & CIVIC DISTINCTIONS

- **UAE Impact Makers Program (Nov 2025):** Selected by the UAE Humanitarian Government and New Media Academy alongside 50 changemakers in the UAE for leadership in digital impact and ethical storytelling.
- **Funding the Commons Research Resident (Bangkok, 2024):** Protocol research fellow in public goods capital allocation incubated out of Protocol Labs Network.
- **AI Professionals Dubai (2023 – Present):** Co-organizer of an active community of 1,500+ machine learning practitioners and researchers in Dubai on Meetup (meetup.com/ai-professionals-dubai), hosting technical roundtables, AI discussions, and study cohorts across the UAE.
- **Bangalore Social Entrepreneurs Meetup (2018 – Present):** Founder and lead organizer of a 2,000+ member network hosting 50+ social innovation roundtables and impact pitch showcases.
- **UAE Creative Musician Network (2023 – Present):** Founder of active network of 3,000+ musicians across Dubai and Abu Dhabi, coordinating jam sessions and cultural events.
- **Indian Classical Sitar:** Dedicated sitarist with years of classical training; regularly perform acoustic sitar renditions at cultural gatherings, community retreats, and cross-disciplinary forums.
- **Toastmasters International (10+ Years):** Level 4 (Motivational Strategies); former President of Khimji Toastmasters Gavel Club (Oman) and Treasurer of Oracle Titans (India); recipient of 40+ speaking and leadership ribbons.
- **Athletic Achievements:** Winners at Nationwide Table Tennis Tournament Spardha (IIT BHU, 2016) & Sportsfete Best Player Award (NIT Trichy, 2017).
- **Middle East Roots & Linguistic Literacy:** Raised in Oman for 20 years; foundational reading and writing literacy in Arabic, currently learning spoken Arabic, with deep native understanding of Gulf cultural communities.