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**Research interests:** Self-supervised learning - reinforcement learning - embodied AI

## EDUCATION

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### Ph.D. | *Computer Science*

Aug. 2023 – Present

Mila - University of Montreal; **GPA:** 4.13/4.0

Montreal, QC, Canada

- **Advisors:** Eilif Muller, Ph.D., Shahab Bakhtiari, Ph.D.; **Doctoral Committee:** Aaron Courville, Ph.D., Pascal Vincent, Ph.D.

### M.Sc. | *Computer Engineering, AI and Robotics*

Sep. 2020 – Aug. 2023

University of Tehran; **GPA:** 18.0/20.0, North American: 3.72/4.0

Tehran, Iran

- **Advisors:** Hamed Kebriaei, Ph.D., Majid Nili, Ph.D.; **Thesis:** Cumulative Prospect Theory in Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning and Markov Games ([paper](#)) ([code](#))

### M.Sc. | *Data Science and Engineering*

Sep. 2020 – July 2022

Politecnico di Torino; **GPA:** 26.3/30.0 (103/110), North American: 3.7/4.0

Turin, Italy

- **Advisors:** Fabio Fagnani, Ph.D., Giacomo Como, Ph.D.; **Thesis:** Decentralized Value-Based Reinforcement Learning in Stochastic Potential Games ([link](#)) ([code](#))

### B.Sc. | *Major: Mechanical Engineering, Minor: Computer Engineering*

Sep. 2016 – Sep. 2020

University of Tehran; **GPA:** 16.24/20.0, North American: 3.35/4.0

Tehran, Iran

- **Advisor:** Masoud Shariat Panahi, Ph.D.; **Thesis:** Design and Implementation of A Smart Camera Slider Controller with Deep Reinforcement Learning ([code](#))

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **H. Ghaemi**, H. Kebriaei, A. R. Moghaddam, and M. Nili Ahmaddabadi. "Risk-Sensitive Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning in Network Aggregative Markov Games", Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multiagent Systems, 2024. ([link](#)), ([preprint](#)), ([poster](#)) ([code](#))
- M. Nouri\*, F. Moradi\*, **H. Ghaemi\***, A. M. Nasrabadi, "Towards real-world BCI: CCSPNet, a compact subject-independent motor imagery framework", Digital Signal Processing, 2023. \*: equal contribution. ([link](#)), ([preprint](#)), ([code](#))
- **H. Ghaemi\***, E. Mirzaei\*, M. Nouri\*, and S. R. Kheradpisheh "BioLCNet: Reward-modulated Locally Connected Spiking Neural Networks", International Conference on Machine Learning, Optimization, and Data Science, 2022. \*: equal contribution. ([link](#)), ([preprint](#)) ([code](#))

## PREPRINTS

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- **H. Ghaemi**, S. Jamshidi, M. Mashreghi, M. Nili Ahmaddabadi, and H. Kebriaei, "Risk Sensitivity in Markov Games and Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning: A Systematic Review", arXiv:2406.06041, 2024. ([link](#))
- A. Saibene, **H. Ghaemi**, and E. Dagdevir, "Deep Learning in Motor Imagery Eeg Signal Decoding: A Systematic Review", Available at SSRN 4592138, 2023. ([link](#))

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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- **Reviewed for:** [\[NeurIPS\]](#) - [\[IEEE-TCYB\]](#)

## EXPERIENCE

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### Research Assistant

Mila - University of Montreal

- Architectures of Biological Learning Lab ([ABL](#)); PI: [Eilif Muller, Ph.D.](#)
- Systems Neuroscience and AI Lab ([SNAIL](#)); PI: [Shahab Bakhtiari, Ph.D.](#)

Aug. 2023 – Present  
Montreal, Canada

### Teaching Assistant

NeuroAI and Computational Neuroscience Courses, [Neuromatch Academy](#)

Recurrent contracts since July 2023  
Remote

### Graduate Teaching Assistant

School of ECE, University of Tehran

- Neural Networks Course; instructor: [Ahmad Kalhor, Ph.D.](#)
- Game Theory Course; instructor: [Hamed Kebriaei, Ph.D.](#)

Feb. 2023 – July 2023  
Tehran, Iran

### Research Assistant

School of ECE, University of Tehran

- Smart Networks Lab; PI: [Hamed Kebriaei, Ph.D.](#),
- Cognitive Systems Lab; PI: [Majid Nili, Ph.D.](#)

Oct. 2022 – Aug. 2023  
Tehran, Iran

### Undergraduate Research Assistant

School of Mechanical Engineering, University of Tehran

- AI in Mechanical Engineering Lab; PI: [Masoud Shariat Panahi, Ph.D.](#)

Nov. 2019 – Aug. 2020  
Tehran, Iran

### Summer Intern

Biorobotics Lab, School of Mechanical Engineering, University of Tehran

July 2019 – Sep. 2019  
Tehran, Iran

### Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

School of Mechanical Engineering, University of Tehran

- Materials Science Course; instructor: [Ghader Faraji, Ph.D.](#)

Sep. 2019 – Jan. 2020  
Tehran, Iran

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** English (fluent), Persian (native), French (intermediate), Italian (basic), Arabic (basic)

**Programming (ordered by decreasing proficiency):** Python, MATLAB, C/C++, Java, SQL, MongoDB, Julia, R

**Deep learning frameworks (ordered by decreasing proficiency):** PyTorch, Keras/TensorFlow, JAX

**Miscellaneous:** HPC, Git, microcontroller programming

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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**Ranked 10 in the 25th Iranian Scientific Olympiad for University Students in Computer Engineering** Feb. 2021

### TOPoliTo Scholarship

Awarded to Politecnico di Torino's top international students

Oct. 2020 - Sep. 2022

### **Iran's National Elites Foundation Membership**

Awarded for excellent performance in the Iranian University Entrance Exam

Sep. 2016