Mahdi Hajialilue

Department of Mathematical Sciences

Education

Sharif University of Technology

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, GPA: 17.34/20 (3.68/4.0)

Tehran, Iran

Sharif University of Technology

Minor of Economics

Tehran, Iran

Research Interest

• Trustworthy AI

• Adversarial Robustness

• Anomaly Detection

• XAI

Publications

Toward Robust Novelty Detection Under Style Shifts

Submitted to ICLR 2025

Hossein Mirzaei, Mojtaba Nafez, Moein Madadi, Arad Maleki, <u>Mahdi Hajialilue</u>, Zeinab Sadat Taghavi, Sepehr Rezaee, Ali Ansari, Bahar Dibaei Nia, Kian Shamsaie, Mohammadreza Salehi, Jafar Habibi, Mahdieh Soleymani Baghshah, Mohammad Sabokrou, Mohammad Hossein Rohban

Scanning Trojaned Models Using Out-of-Distribution Samples

Accepted to NeurIPS 2024

Hossein Mirzaei, Ali Ansari*, Bahar Dibaei Nia*, Mojtaba Nafez, Moein Madadi, Sepehr Rezaee, Zeinab Sadat Taghavi, Arad Maleki, Kian Shamsaie, **Mahdi Hajialilue**, Jafar Habibi, Mohammad Sabokrou, Mohammad Hossein Rohban

Research Experiences

Sharif University of Technology

Feb 2024 - present

Research Assistant, supervised by Prof. M.H. Rohban

Tehran, Iran

• Research areas: Out-of-Distribution Detection, Backdoor Attacks

Projects

- Toward Robust Novelty Detection Under Style Shifts (submitted to ICLR 2025)
- TRODO: Scanning Trojaned Models Using Out-of-Distribution Samples (accepted to NeurIPS 2024)

Projects

Financial Analysis on X (Twitter)

• As a part of my Data Science course Project, I finetuned pretrained language models such as BERT and RoBERTa to perform sentiment analysis on a Twitter tweets dataset, inspecting tweets related to specific stocks while exploring their performance trends over time.

Neural Network Approach to Pricing and Hedging Financial Options

• As part of my M.Sc. course in mathematical finance, I collaborated with Prof. Assa and Prof. Fotouhi to replicate and implement the deep learning concepts presented in the paper titled Pricing and Hedging American-style Options with Deep Learning.

Optimizing User Engagement: Analyzing Upworthy's Viral Content Strategy

• As part of the Data Science course assignment, I analyzed headline variations' impact on user engagement at Upworthy.

University Website Replication

• As a part of Advanced Programming course project, I used Java programming language along with JavaFX to replicate Sharif University of Technology's website.

Panorama Fusion from Multiple Images Using Homography

 As a part of Computer Vision course assignment, I utilized Homography Matrices in OpenCV to Merge Images into Panoramic Views

Teaching Assistance Experience

- Stochastic Processes (Head TA)
- Statistical Learning
- Statistics

- Advanced Programming
- Basic Programming

Selected Courses

• Machine Learning Theory (M.Sc. Course): 20/20

• Computer Vision: 18.7/20

• Statistical Learning: 18.3/20

• Data Science: 17.1/20

• Mathematical Finance (M.Sc. Course): 16.5/20

• Statistics: 19.8/20

Data Transfer and Networks: 20.0/20

• Stochastic Processes: 19.0/20

Deep Learning for Computer Vision (Stanford): Audited
Reinforcement Learning by David Silver (UCL): Audited

Awards And Scholarships

• Top 0.1% in Iran's National University Entrance Exam(over 200,000 Participants)

Skills

Programming Languages: Python, Java, R

Libraries/Frameworks: OpenCV, Cvxpy, Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-learn, Keras, Tensorflow

Languages

English | IELTS overall band score 7.5

Persian | Native Proficiency Azerbaijani | Native Proficiency

Extracurricular Activities

• Member of the University Futsal Team

• Creator of a YouTube channel where I summarize English podcasts on self-improvement into Persian

References

• Mohammad Hossein Rohban

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• Mohammad Sabokrou

Position: Staff Research Scientist - Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology

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• Mahdieh Soleymani Baghshah

Position: Associate Professor - Sharif University of Technology

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