# Moein Khajehnejad

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# **Education and Occupation**

Monash University Melbourne Postdoctoral Research fellow, Monash Data Futures Institute 2023 - current

Monash University Melbourne

Ph.D., Department of Data Science and AI 2019 - 2023

**Sharif University of Technology** 

B.Sc., Computer Sciences & Electrical Engineering 2011 - 2016

#### **Research Interests**

o Deep Reinforcement Learning • Evolutionary Game Theory Multi-agent systems

Social Networks Analysis • Graph Representation Learning Computational Neuroscience

### **Publications** (Google Scholar)

- o M. Khajehnejad\*, F.Habibollahi\*, R. Nock, E. Arabzadeh, P. Dayan, and A. Dezfouli, "Neural Network Poisson Models for Behavioural and Neural Spike Train Data". In Proceedings of the 39th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML 2022), Spotlight paper.[link]
- M. Khajehnejad\*, F. Habibollahi\*, A. Gaurav, B. J. Kagan, "Biological Neurons vs Deep Reinforcement Learning: Sample efficiency in a simulated game-world". In Proceedings of the 36th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2022: DeepRL, MemARI ,and LMRL).[link]
- o A. Khajehnejad, M. Khajehnejad, M. Babaei, K. P. Gummadi, A. Weller, B. Mirzasoleiman "CrossWalk: Fairnessenhanced Node Representation Learning". In Proceedings of the AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2022, (AAAI-22).[link]
- o M. Khajehnejad, F. Habibollahi. "Hunting for Dual-target Set on a Class of Hierarchical Networks. In Proceedings of the International Conference on Network Science, Springer LNCS Vol. 13197. [link]
- o M. Khajehnejad\*, A. A. Rezaei\*, M. Babaei, J. Hoffmann, M. Jalili, A. Weller "Adversarial Graph Embeddings for Fair Influence Maximization over Social Networks". In Proceedings of the 29th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2020 (IJCAI'20).[link]
- M. Khajehnejad\*, S. Tsirtsis\*, B. Tabibian\*, A. Singla, B. Schölkopf, M. Gomez-Rodriguez "Optimal Decision Making Under Strategic Behavior". In Proceedings of the 33rd Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2019: Human-Centric Machine Learning).[link]

#### Journals.....

- o M. Khajehnejad, J. García, B. Meyer, "Explaining workers' inactivity in social colonies from first principles". Published in the Journal of the Royal Society Interface.[link]
- o M.Khajehnejad, J. García, B. Meyer, "Social Learning versus Individual Learning in the Division of Labour". Published in the Journal of Biology.[link]
- OB. J. Kagan; A. Razi; A. Bhat; A. C. Kitchen; N. T. Tran; F. Habibollahi; M. Khajehnejad; B. J. Parker; B. Rollo; K. J. Friston "Scientific communication and the semantics of sentience". Published in Neuron. [link]

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- B. J. Kagan; A. C. Kitchen; N. T. Tran; F. Habibollahi; M. Khajehnejad; B. J. Parker; A. Bhat; B. Rollo; A. Razi; K. J. Friston "In vitro Neurons Learn and Exhibit Sentience When Embodied In a Simulated Game-world". Published in Neuron. [link]
- M. Khajehnejad, "SimNet: Similarity-based Network Embeddings with Mean Commute Time". Published in journal of PLoS One.[link]
- M. Khajehnejad, "Efficiency of Long-Range Navigation on Treelike Fractals". Published in the journal of Chaos, Solitons
   & Fractals.[link]
- M. Khajehnejad, F. Habibollahi Saatlou, H. Mohammadzade, "Alzheimer's Disease Early Diagnosis using Manifold-based Semi-Supervised learning". Published in journal of Brain Sciences.[link]
- T. Weng, J. Zhang, M. Khajehnejad, M. Small, R. zheng, and P. Hui, "Navigation by anomalous random walks on complex networks". Published in the journal of Scientific Reports.[link]

# **Research Experience**

Cortical Labs pty ltd Australia

Data Scientist - Part Time Jan 2022 - Current

Max Planck Institute for Software Systems (MPI-SWS)GermanyMachine Learning ResearcherJan 2019 – May 2019

statNLP @ SUTD-MIT Singapore

Machine Learning Intern

Jul 2016 – Oct 2016

LSIR @ EPFL
Information Systems Research Intern

Jan 2016 – May 2016

SyMLab @ HKUST Hong Kong

Machine Learning Intern

Jul 2015 – Oct 2015

#### **Honors and Awards**

- Best reviewers award, Learning on Graphs (LoG) Conference 2022.
- o Travel award, ICML 2022, Baltimore, United States.
- o Among 16 electess globally to **NETHIKE 2022** Summer School by **ETH** Zürich, Switzerland.
- Among 30 electess globally to Complex networks: theory, methods, and apps Spring School, Italy.
- o Travel award, NetSci-X 2022, Porto, Portugal.
- Accepted to Machine Learning Summer School (MLSS 2020), Germany: acceptance rate of 13.8%.
- o Travel award, NeurIPS 2019, Vancouver, Canada.
- Ranked among top 0.05% in the Iranian nation-wide university entrance exam of Maths and Physics.
- Semifinalist in National Olympiad of Mathematics Affiliated with Young Scholar Club (YSC).

#### **Invited Talks and Presentations**

- July 2023: Open-Source Neuromorphic Hardware, Software and Wetware (OSN23)
- Oct 2022: University of Oxford
- Oct 2022: University College London (UCL)
- July 2022: Spotlight at ICML
- July 2021: Workshop on Socially Responsible Machine Learning ICML
- o Jan 2021: International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI)
- July 2020: Machine Learning Summer School (MLSS)
- Dec 2019: Human-Centric Machine Learning (HCML) Workshop NeurIPS

#### **Technical skills**

Dynamically-typed Programming: Python, MATLAB, R

Symbolic Programming: Mathematica Statically-typed Programming: Java Markup Programming: LATEX, HTML

Data Visualization: Wolfram Alpha, Tableau, Visone, MuxViz, Gephi

## **Graduate Teaching Assistant**

#### **Monash University**

Head TA for Multi agent systems and collective behaviour

Semester 2 – 2022

TA for Computational Modelling and Simulation

Semester 1 - 2020 & 2021

University of Melborune

TA for Real and Artificial Neural Networks Semester 2 – 2020

**Sharif University of Technology** 

TA for Discrete Mathematics Semester 2, 2016

# **Professional Experience**

#### Program Organizer/Area Chair:

• Workshop on Responsible AI at the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR-21)

#### Journal/Conference Reviewer:

- o IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems 2023 (IEEE TNNLS)
- 1st International Learning on Graphs Conference 2022 (LOG)
- o 39th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML 2022)
- 5th annual ACM FAccT conference (ACM FAccT 2022)
- o 29th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence 2020 (IJCAI 2020)
- Journal of Future Generation Computer Systems 2020 (FGCS)