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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), Chicago, IL

Ph.D. in: Information and Decision Sciences

Areas of research: Operations Research and Machine Learning with applications in Operations and

Marketing

Co-advisors: Prof. Selva Nadarajah and Prof. Negar Soheili

University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), Chicago, IL

M.Sc. in: Business Analytics

University of Tehran (UT), Tehran, Iran

B.Sc. in: Applied Mathematics

Fall 2012 - Fall 2016

Summer- 2019

Present

Spring 2017-Present

Spring 2017-Present

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Solving sequential decision making problems by combining techniques from approximate dynamic programming, randomized and high-dimensional sampling, and optimization.
- Developing algorithms for online retailing and warehousing problems using data-driven optimization, robust optimization, and inverse reinforcement learning methods.

RESEARCH PAPERS

KDD

SMOILE: A Shopper Marketing Optimization and Inverse Learning Engine. Joint work with Abhilash Reddy Chenreddy, Selvaprabu Nadarajah, Ranganathan Chandrasekaran, and Rick Abens. In The 25th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining.

Self-guided Approximate Linear Programs. Joint work with Selvaprabu Nadarajah, Negar Soheili, and Qihang Lin (draft available upon request).

Box-suite Optimization for Online Retailers. Joint work with Selvaprabu Nadarajah and Yun Present Fong Lim (work in progress).

Awards and Honors

Doctoral scholarship: Department of Information and Decision Sciences, University of Illinois at Chicago Spring 2017-Present
CBA fellowship: Department of Information and Decision Sciences, University of Illinois at Chicago Spring 2017-Present
Top student award: Department of Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science, University of Tehran Fall 2016
Technical qualification: RoboCup Iran open, soccer 2D simulation league. Fall 2010

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming language: Python, C++, C, R, Java
Optimization solver: GUROBI, AMPL, GAMS
Machine learning library: TensorFlow, Scikit-Learn
Software: Matlab, Microsoft/Libre office

Linux, MacOS, Windows

INVITED TALKS

• Self-guided Approximate Linear Programs

Operating systems:

POMS 30th Annual Conference, Washington D.C. INFORMS Annual Meeting, Phoenix, AZ. POMS 29th Annual Conference, Houston, TX.

Spring 2019 Fall 2018 Spring 2018

• SMOILE: A Shopper Marketing Optimization and Inverse Learning Engine

The 25th ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, Anchorage, AK.

Summer 2019

SERVICE

Reviewer

Computers & Operations Research Information Systems and Operational Research Electronic Commerce Research Spring 2019 Fall 2018 Spring 2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest lecture for statistical models and methods for business analytics

Spring 2019

Topic: Applications of regression, classification and likelihood maximization Slides: https://chicagodatascience.github.io/s19/575/

Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois at Chicago

Spring 2017-Present

Introduction to operations management (IDS 532) Statistical models and methods for business analytics (IDS 575) Data science for online customer analytics (IDS 594) Business data mining (IDS 472)

Business forecasting (IDS 476)

2014-2016

Teaching Assistant, University of Tehran

Numerical linear algebra Introduction to numerical analysis and scientific computing