# SINA TABAKHI

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#### **EDUCATION**

• University of Sheffield, Sheffield, UK.

Nov 2021 - Present

Ph.D. in Computer Science.

Thesis: Multimodal learning for multi-omics.

Supervisor: Haiping Lu, Professor.

• University of Kurdistan, Sanandaj, Iran.

Sep 2011 - Oct 2013

M.Sc. in Computer Engineering, Artificial Intelligence.

Thesis: New feature selection methods based on filter approach using ant colony optimization algorithm.

Supervisor: Parham Moradi, Associate Professor, and Fardin Akhlaghian Tab, Associate Professor.

GPA: 19.45/20; Rank: 1/20.

• Azad University-Sanandaj Branch, Sanandaj, Iran.

Sep 2007 - Sep 2011

B.Sc. in Information Technology Engineering.

Thesis: Review of filtering methods in image processing.

Supervisor: Anvar Bahrampour, Assistant Professor.

GPA: 18.41/20; Rank: 1/80.

### Research Interests

• Multimodal Learning for Multi-Omics

- Dimensionality Reduction through Feature Selection
- Machine Learning for Solving Real-World Problems
- Bioinformatics

#### Publications

#### Journal Papers

- 1. **Sina Tabakhi**, Mohammod Naimul Islam Suvon, Pegah Ahadian, and Haiping Lu, "Multimodal Learning for Multi-Omics: A Survey", World Scientific Annual Review of Artificial Intelligence, 2022.
- 2. **Sina Tabakhi** and Parham Moradi, "Universal Feature Selection Tool (UniFeat): An Open-Source Tool for Dimensionality Reduction", *ArXiv*, 2022.
- 3. Sina Tabakhi and Parham Moradi, "Relevance-redundancy feature selection based on ant colony optimization", Pattern Recognition (IF: 8.518), Vol. 48, pp. 2798-2811, 2015, (172 citations as of 5 January 2023).
- 4. **Sina Tabakhi**, Ali Najafi, Reza Ranjbar, and Parham Moradi, "Gene selection for microarray data classification using a novel ant colony optimization", *Neurocomputing* (**IF: 5.779**), Vol. 168, pp. 1024-1036, 2015, (**144 citations** as of 5 January 2023).
- Sina Tabakhi, Parham Moradi, and Fardin Akhlaghian, "An unsupervised feature selection algorithm based on ant colony optimization", Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence (IF: 7.802), Vol. 32, pp. 112-123, 2014, (376 citations as of 5 January 2023).

#### Conference Papers

 Sina Tabakhi and Haiping Lu, "Multi-agent Feature Selection for Integrative Multi-omics Analysis", 44<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBC), Glasgow, UK, pp. 1638-1642, 2022.

# Honors and Awards

- Awarded the University Research Scholarship, University of Sheffield, UK, 2021.
- One of the **Top 5 Most Cited Papers** in Last 5 Years Published in Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence (Elsevier), 2019.

- Achieved Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing certificate, Pattern Recognition (Elsevier), 2018.
- Awarded Research Grant for highlighted academic activities, Iran's National Elites Foundation, Iran, 2016.
- Recognized as a **National Elite** by Iran's National Elites Foundation (The Professional National Foundation for Supporting Elites), Iran, 2014.
- Ranked 1<sup>st</sup> (highest GPA) among 20 graduate students, Department of Computer Engineering, University of Kurdistan, Iran, 2013.
- Honorable Mention in the 1<sup>st</sup> Amirkabir Artificial Intelligence Challenges (AAIC2012), Bank Fraud Detection League, Amirkabir University of Technology, Iran, 2012.
- Ranked 1<sup>st</sup> (highest GPA) among 80 undergraduate students, Department of Computer Engineering and IT, Azad University-Sanandaj Branch, Iran, 2011.
- Qualified as a Member of Young Researchers and Elites Club (First Center of Identification and Supporting Elites and Young Researchers of the University in Iran), Iran, 2010.
- Honorable Mention in the Asia Regional ACM Programming Contest, Tehran Site, Sharif University of Technology, Iran, 2008, 2009, and 2010.
- Ranked  $1^{st}$  in Internal ACM Programming Contest, Azad University-Sanandaj Branch, Iran, 2008 and 2009.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• Instructor, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, University of Kurdistan, Iran.

Fall 2015

• Instructor, Data Structures, University of Kurdistan, Iran.

Spring 2015

• Instructor, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Fanavari Abidar Institute, Iran.

Spring 2014

• Teaching Assistant, Design and Analysis of Algorithms, University of Kurdistan, Iran. Fall 2012 & Spring 2013

• Teaching Assistant, Advanced Programming in C++, Azad University-Sanandaj Branch, Iran.

Spring 2008

### WORK EXPERIENCE

• Software Engineer at University of Sheffield, Sheffield, UK.	Jan 2022 – Present
• Senior Backend Developer at Phoenix, Tehran, Iran.	Dec 2019 – Oct 2021
• Senior Backend Developer at AloPeyk, Tehran, Iran.	May 2019 – Nov 2019
• Web Application Developer at Jiro Software Engineering Co., Sanandaj, Iran.	Jan 2017 – May 2019
• Research Assistant at University of Kurdistan, Sanandaj, Iran.	Jun 2015 – Apr 2016
• Research Assistant at Molecular Biology Research Center, Tehran, Iran.	Jul 2014 – May 2015
• Internship at Rayan Ravesh Company, Sanandaj, Iran.	Mar 2011 – Jun 2011

# RESEARCH PROJECTS

• Universal Feature Selection Tool (UniFeat) (https://unifeat.github.io/)

with Parham Moradi

Universal Feature Selection Tool (UniFeat) is an open-source tool, developed completely in Java, for performing feature selection process in different areas of research. UniFeat provides a set of well-known and state-of-the-art feature selection methods within the significant auxiliary tools, including performance evaluation criteria, visual displays, statistical analysis, and reduced datasets to compare the performance of feature selection methods.

• Onco Gene Selector

Onco Gene Selector is Java-based software for gene selection in microarray data using machine learning techniques.

#### Talks

- "Multi-agent Feature Selection for Integrative Multi-omics Analysis", N8 CIR Machine Learning Theme Launch, University of Leeds, UK, November 2022.
- "Multi-agent Feature Selection for Integrative Multi-omics Analysis", 44<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society, Glasgow, UK, July 2022.

- "Multimodal Learning for Multi-omics", Machine Learning Research Retreat, University of Sheffield, UK, July 2022.
- "Multi-agent Feature Selection for Integrative Multi-omics Analysis", COM Research Away Day, University of Sheffield, UK, June 2022.

#### **Memberships**

• IEEE Student Membership.	since 2012
• IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society Membership.	since 2022
• Iran's National Elites Foundation.	2014-2021
• Exceptional Talents Office of the University of Kurdistan.	2012-2013
• Young Researchers and Elites Club.	2010-2014

# Professional Services

• Co-organizer of the Alan Turing Institute's interest group on Meta-learning for multimodal data. since 2022

• Contributor to the development of Sheffield Data Science and AI Network with the support of the Turing Network Development Award.

since 2022

• Reviewer in Pattern Recognition (Elsevier).

2017-2018

• Subreviewer in International Conference on Information and Knowledge Technology (IKT).

2015

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Programming Languages:

Proficient in C#, Java.
Worked with Python, C/C++.

• Web Programming:

Experienced in ASP.NET.
Familiar with HTML, CSS, Javascript.

• Databases:

- Experienced in SQL server. - Worked with MySQL.

• Operating Systems:

Microsoft Windows.
Familiar with Linux (Ubuntu).

• IDE:

Microsoft Visual Studio, NetBeans, Eclipse, PyCharm.

• Version Controls:

- Git.

#### LANGUAGES

• Kurdish: Native • English: Fluent (IELTS Academic Score: 6.5)

Persian: Native
Arabic: Basic

#### REFERENCES

- 1. Haiping Lu, Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Sheffield, UK (E-mail: h.lu@sheffield.ac.uk, Homepage: https://haipinglu.github.io/).
- 2. Parham Moradi, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Engineering, University of Kurdistan, Iran (E-mail: p.moradi@uok.ac.ir, Homepage: https://research.uok.ac.ir/~pmoradi/en/).
- 3. Fardin Akhlaghian Tab, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Engineering, University of Kurdistan, Iran (E-mail: f.akhlaghian@uok.ac.ir, Homepage: https://research.uok.ac.ir/~fakhlaghian/en/).