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Research Assistant, August 2016–January 2018 Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada

PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA Ph.D., 2022, Computational Science and Engineering

University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran

M.Sc., 2016, Geophysics

Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

B.Sc., 2013, Electrical Engineering

Publication

⋄ Preprints

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- L. Baldassari, A. Siahkoohi, J. Garnier, K. Sølna, and M. V. de Hoop, "Conditional score-based diffusion models for Bayesian inference in infinite dimensions," in *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems*, vol. 36, 2023.
- M. Louboutin, R. Orozco, A. Siahkoohi, and F. J. Herrmann, "Learned one-shot imaging," in 3rd International Meeting for Applied Geoscience & Energy, 2023.
- R. Orozco, A. Siahkoohi, G. Rizzuti, T. van Leeuwen, and F. J. Herrmann, "Adjoint operators enable fast and amortized machine learning based Bayesian uncertainty quantification," in *Medical Imaging 2023: Image Processing*, vol. 12464, 2023, p. 124641L.
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- R. Orozco, M. Louboutin, A. Siahkoohi, G. Rizzuti, T. van Leeuwen, and F. J. Herrmann, "Amortized normalizing flows for transcranial ultrasound with uncertainty quantification," in *Medical Imaging with Deep Learning (MIDL) Conference*, 2023.
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- A. Siahkoohi, G. Rizzuti, and F. J. Herrmann, "A deep-learning based Bayesian approach to seismic imaging and uncertainty quantification," in 82nd EAGE Conference and Exhibition, 2020.
- A. Siahkoohi, G. Rizzuti, and F. J. Herrmann, "Uncertainty quantification in imaging and automatic horizon tracking—A Bayesian deep-prior based approach," in 90th Annual International Meeting, 2020, pp. 1636–1640.
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- A. Siahkoohi and A. Gholami, "Sparsity Promoting Least Squares Migration for Laterally Inhomogeneous Media," in 7th EAGE Saint Petersburg International Conference and Exhibition, 2016.
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SERVICE

Reviewed journal papers for

Geophysical Prospecting

Geophysics

Geosciences

Entropy

IEEE Transactions on Geoscience and Remote Sensing

IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems

IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Letters

Remote Sensing

Journal of Geophysical Research – Solid Earth

Notices of the American Mathematical Society (AMS)

♦ Reviewed conference/workshop papers for

International Speech Communication Association (Interspeech '23)

Structured Probabilistic Inference & Generative Modeling (ICML '23 workshop)

Advances in Approximate Bayesian Inference (AABI '23)

Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS '23)

Deep Generative Models for Health (NeurIPS '23 workshop)

International Meeting for Applied Geoscience & Energy (IMAGE '23)

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR '24)

♦ Session chair at

International Meeting for Applied Geoscience & Energy (IMAGE ${\rm `22)}$

♦ Guest editor for a special issue in Mathematics journal

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Numerical Analysis I, Fall 2022

Rice University, Houston, TX, USA

Instructor for 18 lectures

Computational Foundations of Machine Learning, Spring 2022

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Imaging with Data-Driven Models, Fall 2019 Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA Teaching Assistant

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Digital Signal Processing, Spring 2011 Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran Teaching Assistant

Signals and Systems, Spring 2011 Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran Teaching Assistant

Linear Algebra, Spring 2010 Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran Teaching Assistant