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#### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Harvard University, Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology/ Northern Arizona University, School of Informatics, Computing, and Cyber Systems Postdoctoral Research Associate	2017 - present
Duke University Doctoral Research and Teaching Assistant	2011 - 2017
Research Institute of Petroleum Industry (Iran) Senior Researcher	2006 - 2011

#### **EDUCATION**

# Duke University, Durham, NC

2017

Ph.D. in Environment

Dissertation: "Ecosystem response to a changing climate: vulnerability, impact and monitoring"

Advisor: Dr. Jim Clark, Committee: Dr. Jean-Christophe Domec, Dr. Alan Gelfand, and Dr. Jennifer Swenson

# Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

2006

M.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering, Energy Conversion

# University of Semnan, Semnan, Iran

2003

B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering, Heat and Fluid Flow

# SELECTED PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- **B. Seyednasrollah**, F. Yousefi-Lalimi, J. Meyer "Active learning increased both attendance and performance of undergraduates: An environmental science case study", in review.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, A. D. Richardson, T. Milliman, "Data extraction from digital repeat photography using xROI: An interactive framework to facilitate the process", Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing, in review.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. C. Domec, J. S. Clark. "Remotely sensed canopy thermal stress to monitor droughts in near real-time", Agricultural and Forest Meteorology, in review.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. S. Clark (2018) "Nutrient-demanding species and drought vulnerability: the role of habitat heterogeneity", Ecology, in revision.
- A. D. Richardson, K. Hufkens, T. Milliman, D. M. Aubrecht, M. E. Furze, **B. Seyednasrollah**, M. B. Krassovski, J. M. Latimer, W. R. Nettles, R. R. Heiderman, J. M. Warren, and P. J. Hanson (2018) "Ecosystem warming extends vegetation activity but heightens cold temperature vulnerability", Nature, Volume 560, pages368371 (2018), doi:10.1038/s41586-018-0399-1.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. J. Swenson, J. C. Domec, J. S. Clark (2018) "Leaf phenology paradox: why warming matters most where it is already warm", Remote Sensing of Environment, Volume 209, May 2018, Pages 446-455, ISSN 0034-4257, doi:10.1016/j.rse.2018.02.059.
- J. S. Clark, D. Nemergut, **B. Seyednasrollah**, P. Turner, and S. Zhang (2017). "Generalized joint attribute modeling for biodiversity analysis: Median-zero, multivariate, multifarious data", Ecological Monographs, 87(1), 34-56. doi:10.1002/ecm.1241.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, and M. Kumar (2014). "Net radiation in a snow-covered discontinuous forest gap for a range of gap sizes and topographic configurations", J Geophys Res-Atmos, 119, 10,32310,342. doi:10.1002/2014JD021809.

- **B. Seyednasrollah**, and M. Kumar (2013). "Effects of tree morphometry on net snowcover radiation on forest floor for varying forest densities", J Geophys Res-Atmos, 118, 12,50812,521, doi:10.1002/2012JD019378.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M. Kumar, and T. E. Link (2013). "On the role of vegetation density on net snow cover radiation at the forest floor", J. Geophys. Res. Atmos, 118, 83598374, doi:10.1002/jgrd.50575.

#### PEER-REVIEWED OPEN-SOURCE MODELS AND PACKAGES

- **B. Seyednasrollah**, T. Milliman and A. D. Richardson (2018) "xROI: A Toolkit to Delinate Region of Interests (ROI's) and Extract Time-series Data from Digital Repeat Photography Images". Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1202273
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. J. Swenson, J. C. Domec, J. S. Clark (2018) "phenoCDM: Continuous Development Models for Incremental Time-Series Analysis". Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1204614
- **B. Seyednasrollah** "drawROI: An interactive toolkit to extract phenological time series data from digital repeat photography". Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1066588
- **B. Seyednasrollah** "hazer: Quantifying haze factor for RGB images to identify cloudy and foggy weather", Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1008568, 2017.
- **B. Seyednasrollah** "calcSolar: Solar position and radiation components (Version v1.0.0)", Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1006384, 2016.
- B. Seyednasrollah "GaRM: A Forest Gap Radiation Model", Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.840998, 2014.
- **B. Seyednasrollah** "FoRM: A physically based forest radiation model", Zenodo. http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.841001, 2014.

#### SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLISHED ABSTRACTS

- **B. Seyednasrollah (invited)**, T. Milliman, A. D. Richardson"Tackling challenges of extracting time-series data from digital repeat photography", Early Career Researcher Symposium 2018, Computing Community Consortium, Washington, DC.
- **B. Seyednasrollah (invited)**, A. Young, K. Duffy, T. Milliman, A. D. Richardson"Phenocams: Tracking vegetation activity from digital cameras", Data Institute 2018, National Ecological Observatory Network, Boulder, CO.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, T. E. Milliman, K. Hufkens, M. Kosmala, A. D. Richardson"An interactive toolkit to extract phenological time series data from digital repeat photography", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah (invited)**, J. Clark, "Understanding Phenology across Scales and Improving Linkages to Ecosystem Functions", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. Clark, "Attributing the effects of climate on phenology change suggests high sensitivity in coastal zones", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- J. Clark, A. Berdanier, **B. Seyednasrollah**, Brad Tomasek, "Forecasting the forest and the trees: consequences of drought in competitive forests", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2015, San Francisco, CA.
- J. Clark, **B. Seyednasrollah**, B. Tomasek, "Forecasting the forest and the trees: climate impacts from individuals to communities to traits.", Coweeta LTER Summer Symposium and Meeting Agenda, June, 2015, Coweeta, NC.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, "Sensitivity of green-up phenology across different ecosystems using hierarchical modeling", Richardson Lab, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 2015.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, "Dynamics of forest green-up across different ecosystems", Joint Ecology / Marine Lab (JEM) Symposium, Duke University, Beaufort, NC, November 2015.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. S. Clark, J.C. Domec, "Drought-induced stomatal closure rising canopy temperature observed from space", Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2015, Baltimore, MD.
- J. S. Clark, B. Beckage, A. Berdanier, M. Dietze, C. M. Gough, B. Hardiman, M. Kwit, J. Mohan, S. M. Pearson, W. J. Platt, A. Schwantes, **B. Seyednasrollah**, B. J. Tomasek, C. W. Woodall, P. H. Wyckoff, K. Zhu, "Forecasting the

- forest and the trees: Consequences of competition and climate for biodiversity change", Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2015, Baltimore, MD.
- J HilleRisLambers, I. K. Breckheimer, **B. Seyednasrollah**, J. S. Clark, J. F. Franklin, A. J. Larson, J. A. Freund, "Competitive interactions between tree species will slow compositional turnover with climate change", Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2015, Baltimore, MD.
- **B. Seyednasrollah (invited)**, Andrew Latimer, Leah Johnson, Janneke Hille Ris Lambers, "Applications of Joint Species Distribution Modeling with Case Studies", The Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (SAMSI), ECOL: Transition Workshop: May 4-6, 2015.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, "How fast forests green up in different habitats?", Duke University Ecology Symposium, Duke Marine Laboratory, Beaufort, NC, April 2015.
- **B. Seyednasrollah (invited)**, Andrew Latimer, Ian Breckheimer, Janneke Hille Ris Lambers, "Applications of Joint Species Distribution Modeling with Case Studies", The Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (SAMSI), ECOL: Multivariate Models in Ecology: March 2-4, 2015.
- **B. Seyednasrollah** "From Snow Hydrology to Forest Ecology", Nicholas School Graduate Students Seminar, Duke University, October, 2014.
- M. Kumar, X. Chen, **B. Seyednasrollah**, A. Winstral, M. Reba, D. Marks, "Assessment of Hydrologic Impacts of Snowdrift in a Snow Dominated Watershed", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, 2014, San Francisco, CA.
- M. Kumar, **B. Seyednasrollah**, T. E. Link, "In search of radiation minima for balancing the needs of forest and water management in snow dominated watersheds", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2013, San Francisco, CA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M. Kumar, "Using Forest Radiation Model (FoRM) to Quantify the Role of Canopy Coverage on Net Snow Cover Radiation", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2013, San Francisco, CA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M. Kumar, "Understanding the Role of Canopy Coverage and Tree Morphometry on Net Snow Cover Radiation Using Forest Radiation Model (FoRM)", CUAHSI Hydroinformatic 2013, Logan, UT.
- T. E. Link, M. Kumar, J. Pomeroy, **B. Seyednasrollah**, C. Ellis, R. Lawler, and R. Essery, "Opportunities and challenges to conserve water on the landscape in snow-dominated forests: The quest for the radiative minima and more...", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2012, San Francisco, CA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M. Kumar, T. E. Link, "Looking for Radiation Optimality on Snow Covered Forest Floor", American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2012, San Francisco, CA.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M.Khosravy-el-Hossani, "Exergy Analysis of excess air variation in boilers", International Conference on Advances in Mechanical Engineering (ICAME), 2010, Malaysia.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, M.Khosravy-el-Hossani, "Investigation of Excess Air Variations Effects on Dry Flue Gas Loss", International Conference on Advances in Mechanical Engineering (ICAME), 2010, Malaysia.
- **R**. M. Khorsani, B. Seyednasrollah, M. T. Manzari and S. K. Hannani. "Dimensional numerical simulation of hydrocarbon reservoirs using a black oil model implicit finite difference method", in Sharif Journal of Mechanical Engineering, 2010, Vol. 26, No. 1.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, F. Talebi and F. Yousefi. "Analysis and optimization of reducing steady state time for heating systems", in International Journal Of Advanced Design And Manufacturing Technology, 2009, Vol. 2 No. 2.
- F. Yousefi, **B. Seyednasrollah**, F. Talebi, "Global Analysis for Two Effective Method to Reduction of Control Time in Steady State of Thermal Systems", The Annual Conference (International) on Mechanical Engineering (ISME), 2008, Kerman, Iran.
- **B. Seyednasrollah**, S.E. Hossein., F. Talebi, "An Effective Method to Reduction of Control Time in Steady State of Thermal Systems", The Annual Conference (International) on Mechanical Engineering (ISME), 2007, Tehran, Iran
- F. Talebi., **B. Seyednasrollah**, "An Effective Method to Reduction of Control Time in Steady State Convectional Heat Transfer", The Annual International Conference of Mechanical Engineering (ISME), 2005, Isfahan, Iran.

I EACHING EXPERIENCE	
Co-founder, SciCademy: A Science Academy for Teaching Quantitative Science	2018
Certificate in College Teaching (CCT), Duke University  - Training on "Fundamentals of College Teaching"  - Training on "College Teaching and Visual Communications"  - Teaching Experience  - Peer Observation of Teaching	2017
Instructor, Duke University - Ecohydrology using Mathematica and MATLAB (5 PhD students, teaching, holding office hours)	2016
Teaching Assistant, Duke University	
- GIS for Water Quantity and Quality Assessment (20+ graduates, leading problem solving sessions	2016 2015 2015 ng) 2014 2012, 2013
<ul> <li>Instructor, Research Institute of Petroleum Industry</li> <li>Visual Basic for Applications Programming in Engineering (20 senior engineers, designing the couteaching, troubleshooting sessions)</li> </ul>	rse, 2010
	2003 2003 2002, 2003 2002, 2003
GRANTS, FUNDING AND FELLOWSHIPS	
NEON Data Institute Fellowship, National Ecological Observatory Network	2018
Outstanding Accomplishments Fellowship, The Duke University Graduate School Ecosystem response to a changing climate: vulnerability, impact and monitoring, \$22,470	2016 - 2017
<b>The Summer Research Fellowship</b> , The Duke University Graduate School Remotely sensed canopy thermal stress to monitor droughts in near real-time, \$5,500	2016
Bass Online Apprentice Fellowship, Duke University, \$11,235	2016
Bass Instructional Teaching Assistant Fellowship, Duke University, \$11,235	2015
<b>Summer Research Award</b> , Nicholas School of the Environment, Duke University Long term monitoring of leaf out phenology using satellite observation at large scales, \$5,500	2015
<b>Pathfinder Fellowship</b> , The Consortium for the Advancement of Hydrologic Science Inc. (CUAHSI) Role of vegetation density and pattern on net snow cover radiation at the forest floor, \$4,996	2014
NASA Snow School Travel Award, NASA Snow School for Practitioners and Modelers, Fraser, CO	2014
CUAHSI Travel Award, CUAHSI Conference on Hydroinformatics and Modeling, Logan, UT	2013
NSF Travel Award, EarthCube Modeling Workshop for the Geosciences, Boulder, CO	2013

#### HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

National Elite, The National Association of Elites (Iran)	2008
1st Departmental Rank, Mechanical Engineering Department, University of Semnan, Iran	2003
34th National Rank, Nationwide (Iran) Entrance Exam for Graduate Study in Mechanical Engineering	2003
56th National Rank, Nationwide (Iran) Entrance Exam for Graduate Study in Aerospace Engineering	2003

### SERVICES AND OUTREACH

#### **Editorial Services:**

**Reviewer:** Frontiers in Ecology and the Environment, Remote Sensing of Environment, Agricultural and Forest Meteorology, Ecosphere, Soild Earth, Journal of Geophysical Research: Atmospheres, International Journal of Digital Earth, Data, Asia-Pacific Journal of Chemical Engineering

Editor: Duke Science Review 2016

**Chairperson:** International Conference on Advances in Mechanical Engineering 2010 (ICAME2010) **Editorial Board:** Mechanical Engineering Magazine, Iranian Society of Mechanical Engineers (2004-2007)

#### **Professional Services:**

Judge, Outstanding Student Presentation Award, American Geophysical Union (AGU), New Orleans, LA 2017 VIP Consultant in Modeling, American Statistical Association (ASA), DataFest Competition, Durham, NC 2016 Statistician, United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-Habitat 2016 - 2017 Competition Judge, Student Academy of Science, State Science and Engineering Fair, Raleigh, NC 2016 Competition Judge, Student Academy of Science, Regional Science and Engineering Fair, Durham, NC 2015 Collaborator, Working group on "Ecology: Multivariate Models, Climate and Biodiversity", Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute (SAMSI) 2014 - 2015 Member of the Nicholas School Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Duke University 2013 - 2015 Member of the Software Council, Research Institute of Petroleum Industry, Iran 2010 - 2011 Member of the Undergraduate Scientific Committee, University of Semnan, Iran 2000 - 2001

# SKILLS

# **Programming and Scripting:**

C/C++/C#, R, R-Shiny, MATLAB, Mathematica, VBA, Fortran, Pascal, Python, Markdown, Batch Script, Object Oriented Programming (OOP), High Performance Computing (HPC), Multithreaded Programming, OpenMP and MPI, Socket programming, HTML/CSS, LATEX, make, programming in Unix and Windows based platforms.

# **Quantitative, Geospatial and Visualizations:**

GIS, Geospatial Analysis, Remote Sensing, Data Elevation Model (DEM) Processing, Optimization, Numerical Methods, Hierarchical Modeling, Bayesian Statistics, Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), Finite Difference Methods, Finite Element Methods, Finite Volume Methods.