# ALIREZA MIRALIAKBAR

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Doctor of Philosophy, Chemical Engineering

JAN 2023 - Present

Oklahoma State University

Working on optimal control of chemical and biochemical processes using reinforcement learning, and developing novel fault detection and diagnosis frameworks for industrial processes

Supervisor: Prof. Zheyu Jiang

Master of Science, Chemical Engineering

SEP 2019 - DEC 2022

University of Tehran

GPA: **18.09/20** (4/4)

Thesis: Modeling Microfluidic Mixing of Hydrogels using Computational Fluid Dynamics with Open-

FOAM

Supervisors: Prof. Rahmat Sotudeh-Gharebagh, Prof. Reza Zarghami

Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering

SEP 2015 - SEP 2019

University of Tehran

GPA:**17.30/20**(3.74/4)

Thesis: Feedback control scheme of a yeast fermentation bioreactor using MATLAB & Simulink by designing and optimizing a fractional-order PID controller

Supervisor: Prof. Hooman Fatoorehchi

# **EXPERIENCE**

# • ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

-Graduate Research Assistant, Oklahoma State University

JAN 2023 - Present

Optimal control of chemical and biochemical processes using reinforcement learning, and development of novel fault detection and diagnosis frameworks for industrial processes

-Graduate Research Assistant, Multiphase Systems Research Center

University of Tehran

DEC 2020 - DEC 2022

Modeling the viscous polymeric hydrogel fluids micro-mixing with OpenFOAM

-Research Assistant, Iranian National Algae Culture Collection(INACC),

University of Tehran

FEB 2020 - MAY 2020

Process Design and Simulation of Agar extraction process from Gracilaria macroalgae using SuperPro Designer and Aspen Plus

-Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Tehran

FEB 2019 - SEP 2019

Designing a fractional-based PID control system for a bioreactor by simulation, and Optimizing the simulation using MATLAB/Simulink

# • WORK EXPERIENCE

# - Intellectual Property Specialist

Future Biotechnology Pioneers Ltd.

JUNE 2020 - NOV 2020

Co-developed patents of Phycocyanin Extraction and Bioplastic Production and successfully granted them from Iranian Patent Office

# • TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, University of Tehran

- Computer-Aided Advanced Process Simulation

FALL 2021

 Workshop: Process Simulation of Biotechnology and Pharmaceutical Processes using Aspen Plus

Executing workshop of Aspen Plus for the R&D section of INACC laboratory students with focus on simulating the biotech and pharmaceutical processes

# RESEARCH INTERESTS

Fuzzy Control Systems, Model Predictive Control (MPC), Process Intensification, Nonlinear Programming and Optimization, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Reinforcement Learning, Machine Learning

#### HONOURS AND AWARDS

National Science Foundation Innovation Corps (I-Corps <sup>™</sup> ) National Program	AUG 2023
OSU Scholarship for the 2023-2024 Award Year, Oklahoma State University	JUN 2023
FOPAM 2023 Conference Travel Grant Award, University of California at Davis	MAY 2023
Ranked within the top $10\%$ of Chemical Engineering Department in Process Design Major among more than $35$ students with GPA of $18.09/20$	
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University of Tehran MAY 2021

University of Tehran's M.Sc. Fellowship Award as an exceptional talented student and exempt from taking the entrance exam.

University of Tehran SEP 2019

Ranked within the top 10% of class 2019 of undergraduate students in Chemical Engineering Department with GPA of 17.30/20,

University of Tehran SEP 2019

Ranked within the top 0.5% of more than 182,000 participants in Nationwide Iranian Universities Entrance Exam in the field of Mathematics and Physics AUG 2015

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

# • Presentations

 Miraliakbar A, Jiang Z. FARM: A Fast, Accurate, Robust fault detection and diagnosis framework for industrial process Monitoring. 2023. Foundations of Process/product Analytics and Machine learning, Davis, CA

#### • Patents

- Ajayebi, Nima., Barzad, Mohammad Sadegh, Miraliakbar, Alireza, Tavakoli, Omid. 2021. Extraction Process of Phycocyanin from Spirulina sp. with Cell Wall Breakage. Iran Patent Application No.139950140003005382 filed September 14, 2020, and issued March 14 2021.
- Daeizadeh, Dorsa, Barzad, Mohammad Sadegh, Miraliakbar, Alireza, Tavakoli, Omid. 2021.
   Bioplastic production process based on Sodium Alginate extracted from Sargassum Sp. algae.
   Iran Patent Application No. 139950140003006595, filed October 21, 2020, and issued April 19, 2021.

#### ACADEMIC PROJECTS

Development of Mixing Vessel Design Software using Microsoft Excel VBA for High Viscous Fluids, University of Tehran

MAY 2020 - AUG 2020

Mixing Process Course Project

Feedback Fuzzy Fractional PID temperature control of a bioreactor system for bioethanol production, University of Tehran

JAN 2020 - MAY 2020

Advanced Control Engineering Course Project

Techno-Economic Assessment of bio-gas production from municipal waste

University of Tehran APR 2019 - JUNE 2019

The Project of Economics and Engineering Design Course

Developing MATLAB code for Multicomponent mixture Dew and Bubble Point calculation, University of Tehran

MAR 2018

Voluntarily Done Project for Unit Operations 1 Course

# **SKILLS**

# **Programming Languages and Softwares**

MATLAB, Python, C++, VBA, COMSOL Multiphysics, Aspen HYSYS, Aspen Plus, AutoCAD, SuperPro Designer, OpenFOAM, ANSYS Fluent LATEX

# **MEMBERSHIPS**

• American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE)