Mahsa **Eftekhari**

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EXPERIENCE

Google

Software Engineering Intern

June 2020 – Sept 2020 Mountain View, CA

- Implement **data cleaning and verification pipeline** (using python and REST API) to address the messy datasets for **Google Knowledge Graph**. While an intern, I noticed and initiated an effort to also address the missing values in the existing data series used by the knowledge graph team. I designed and implemented this procedure from scratch (using GO) and provided the team with interfaces that fill the missing values of the data series.

University of California, Davis

Simulation of Population Protocols

Sept 2017 – Present Davis, CA

- I implemented (Java) simulations for a **distributed computing model**, population protocols, to study time and memory complexity of randomized real world physical systems. We implemented a dynamic network of agents and simulated the process of leader election, majority and size computation.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- UC Davis GGCS Richard Walters scholarship — Summer 2021
- GHC scholarship — Summer 2020
- CRA-W scholarship — Spring 2019
- UC Davis graduate fellowship — Fall 2017
- Ranked 15th, National Scientific Olympiad in Computer Engineering — 2015
- Ranked 3rd (amongst more than 5000 students) , National Graduate Entrance Exam in Computer Science. — 2015
- Ranked 15th (amongst more than 18000 students), National Graduate Entrance Exam in Software Engineering. — 2015

PUBLICATIONS

- Brief Announcement: A Time and Space Optimal Stable Population Protocol Solving Exact Majority. David Doty, **Mahsa Eftekhari**, Leszek Gąsieniec, Eric Severson, Grzegorz Stachowiak, sPrzemysław Uznański. In the 40th ACM Symposium on Principles of Distributed Computing **(PODC 2021)**
- Message complexity of population protocols. Talley Amir, James Aspnes, David Doty, **Mahsa Eftekhari**, Eric Severson In the 34th International Symposium on Distributed Computing **(DISC 2020)**
- Efficient size estimation and impossibility of termination in uniform dense population protocols. David Doty, **Mahsa Eftekhari** In the 38th ACM Symposium on Principles of Distributed Computing **(PODC 2019)**
- Brief announcement: Exact size counting in uniform population protocols in nearly logarithmic time. David Doty, **Mahsa Eftekhari**, Othon Michail, Paul G. Spirakis, Michail Theofilatos. In the 32nd International Symposium on Distributed Computing **(DISC 2018)**
- A survey of size counting in population protocols. David Doty, **Mahsa Eftekhari**. arXiv preprint arXiv:2105.05408 (2021)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science

University of California, Davis
GPA: 3.95/4.0
Distributed Computing Algorithms

2017 – 2022

M.Sc. in Computer Engineering

Sharif University of Technology
GPA: 4.0/4.0
Algorithms and Computation

2015 – 2017

B.Sc. in Computer Science

Sharif University of Technology
Ranked 7th in class

2010 – 2015

SKILLS

Programming and Libraries:
Java, Object-oriented programming
Python, Pandas, Numpy
Octave, C++
Git, SQL, LaTeX

Other:
Algorithm Design and Analysis
Distributed computing
Probability and Combinatorics
Software Design, Data visualization

COURSES

Machine Learning	(In Progress)
Advanced Algorithms	(4.0 / 4.0)
Data Structure	(4.0 / 4.0)
Approximation Algorithm	(4.0 / 4.0)
Linear Algebra	(4.0 / 4.0)
Big Data Algorithms	(4.0 / 4.0)
Algorithmic Game Theory	(4.0 / 4.0)

PROJECTS

- Implementation and Maintenance of autograding homeworks (Python, Github) — Spring 2020
- Design and analysis of online allocation algorithm (Masters Thesis) — 2016-2017
- Designing an **App Review Miner** to Extract Information from user reviews — Fall 2016
- Implementation of K-means algorithm to cluster psychological data — Spring 2014
- Java Implementation of a P2P file transfer software — Spring 2011
- Java Implementation of a 2-Player Chess board game — Fall 2010