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EDUCATION

5. Post-Doctorate, Toronto Metropolitan University (Ryerson University), Dr. Ebrahim Bagheri	Nov 2019 – June 2020
4. Doctorate, Computer Science, University of New Brunswick, Supervisors: Dr. Weichang Du, Dr. Ebrahim Ba	agher May 2014 – May 2020
3. Master, Computer Science, Amirkabir University of Technology, Supervisor: Dr. Mojtaba Mozzaffari	Sept 2006 – Jan 2009
2. Bachelor, Computer Science, Amirkabir University of Technology, Supervisor: Dr. Mohammad Ebrahim Shir	ri Sept 2001 – Sept 2005
1. Diploma, Mathematics and Physics, Shahid Emami Ale Agha	July 2000

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

- 6. Assistant Professor, School of Computer Science, Faculty of Science, University of Windsor, Canada, Tenure Track July 2020 Present
- **5. Post–Doctoral Research Fellow**, Engineering and Architectural Science, Toronto Metropolitan University Nov 2019 June 2020 (Ryerson University), Canada.

Team Lead in NSERC Industrial Research Chair on Social Media Analytics

- **4. Research Assistant**, Engineering and Architectural Science, Toronto Metropolitan University (Ryerson Universit May 2014 Oct 2019 *Social Media Mining*
- **3. Contract Lecturer**, Engineering and Architectural Science, Toronto Metropolitan University (Ryerson Jan 2019 May 2019 University), Canada.

COE848: Fundamentals of Data Engineering

2. Software Designer, Behsazan Mellat (Bank Mellat), Iran.

Customer Management System, Customer Credit Check, RSA, DB2, Java

May 2013 – April 2014

Customer Munugement System, Customer Creat Check, RSA, DB2, Juva

1. Software Developer & Configuration Manager, System Group, Iran.

Human Resource Management System, Human Capital Management System, SQL Server, ASP.Net, C#

July 2010 – March 2013

RESEARCH FUNDING

8. Graduate Growth Incentive Fund, PI, Faculty of Science, University of Windsor	CAD\$010,000	2022 - 2023
7. CFI-JELF, Computing Infrastructure for Deep Learning on Graph-Structured Data, PI, Competitive		2022 - 2022
Ontario Research Fund (ORF), Pending Decision	CAD\$075,001	
John R. Evans Leaders Fund (JELF) Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI), Conditionally Offered	CAD\$075,001	
University of Windsor, Offered	CAD\$051,925	
6. RTI, Computing Workstations for Deep Learning on Graph-Structured Data, PI, Competitive		2022 - 2022
Research Tools and Instruments, NSERC	CAD\$032,010	
5. Alliance-Accelerate , Customer Feedback Analytics from Unsolicited Resources, PI, Competitive		2022 - 2025
NSERC Alliance	CAD\$090,000	
Mitacs Accelerate	CAD\$045,000	
Press'nXPress, Discrete Choice Inc. (https://pxp.ai/)	CAD\$045,000	
4. Undergraduate Research Experience, Learning to Form Time-aware Teams of Experts, PI,	CAD\$002,000	2022 - 2022
Competitive, University of Windsor		
3. Discovery Grants Program, Time-aware Community-enhanced Social Information Retrieval, PI,	CAD\$145,000	2021 -2026
Competitive, NSERC		
2. Discovery Launch Supplement, Time-aware Community-enhanced Social Information Retrieval, PI,	CAD\$012,500	2021 -2022
Competitive, NSERC		
1. Startup Research Grant, Tenure Track Assistant Professor, University of Windsor	CAD\$065,000	2020 –2025

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 6. Bagheri, **Fani***, Zarrinkalam*; System and Method for Temporal Identification of Latent Communities Using Electronic Content. 2021 *Filed Sept 2016, US10,885,131.* **Granted.**
- 5. Hui, Daws, Bagheri, Zarrinkalam, **Fani**, Paydar; A System and Method for Detecting a Protective Product on the Screen of Electronic Devices. *PCT/CA2020/051413*, WO2021077219A1, CN114616492A
- 4. Hui, Daws, Bagheri, Zarrinkalam, **Fani**, Paydar; Detecting the Presence or Absence of a Protective Case on an Electronic Device. 2020 *PCT/CA2020/051401*, *WO2021072557A1*
- 3. Hui, Bagheri, Zarrinkalam, Paydar, **Fani**, Daws; Method and System for Detecting Presence of a Protective Case on a Portable Electronic Device During Drop Impact. *PCT/CA2019/051590*, *WO2020093166A1*, *CN113302457A*, *EP3877728A4*, *US20220005341A1*

2. Fani, Zarrinkalam, Bagheri, Hui; A System and Method for Protection Plans and Warranty Data Analytics. PCT/CA2019/050767, WO2019227238A1, CA3102116A1, CN112534456A, EP3803754A4, US20210217093A1	2018
1. Bagheri, Fani *, Zarrinkalam*; System and Method for Temporal Identification of Latent Communities Using Electronic Content. <i>CA2941604A1</i>	2016
PUBLICATIONS*: graduate student, †: undergrad student	idex: 10
Doctoral Dissertation Fani. Diachronically like-minded user community detection. University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, NB., Canada.	2020
Journal Articles 06. Rad*, Fani, Bagheri, Kargar, Srivastava, Szlichta. A Variational Neural Architecture for Skill-based Team Formation. Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS), (Revision Requested), Impact Factor: 6.06, H–Index: 84	2022
05. Falavarjani*, Jovanovic, Fani , Ghorbani, Noorian, Bagheri. On The Causal Relation Between Real-World Activities and Emotional Expressions of Social Network Users. <i>Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology (JASIST) 72(6): 723–743. Wiley, Impact Factor: 2.835, H–Index: 134</i>	2021
04. Fani*, Jiang†, Bagheri, Al–beidat, Du, Kargar. User Community Detection via Embedding of Social Network Structure and Temporal Content. Information Processing & Management (IP&M)–Elsevier, 57(2): 102056. Impact Factor: 6.222, H–Index: 94	2020
03. Fani*, Bagheri, Zarrinkalam*, Zhao†, Du. Finding Diachronic Like–Minded Users. Computational Intelligence (CI), 34(1): 124–144. Wiley, Impact Factor: 1.196, H–Index: 49	2018
02. Feng*, Zarrinkalam*, Bagheri, Fani *, Al-Obeidat. Entity linking of Tweets Based on Dominant Entity Candidates. <i>Social Network Analysis and Mining (SNAM)–Springer, 8(1): 46:1–46:16. Impact Factor: 1.61, H–Index: 29</i>	2018
01. Fani*, Bagheri. Community Detection in Social Networks. Encyclopedia of Semantic Computing and Robotic Intelligence—World Scientific. 1(1): 1630001:1—1630001:8.	2017
Conference Publications 20. Dashti*, Samet, Fani. Effective Neural Team Formation via Negative Samples. The 31st ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Atlanta, Georgia, USA, (3908-3912), CORE Rank: A.	2022
19. Dashti*, Saxena*, Patel†, Fani . OpeNTF: A Benchmark Library for Neural Team Formation. The 31st ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Atlanta, Georgia, USA, (3913-3917), CORE Rank: A.	2022
18. Ziaenejad*, Samet, Fani . SEERa: A Framework for Community Prediction. The 31st ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Atlanta, Georgia, USA, (4762-4766), CORE Rank: A.	2022
17. Rad*, Mitha [†] , Fani , Kargar, Szlichta, Bagheri. PyTFL: A Python–based Neural Team Formation Toolkit. <i>The 30th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Queensland, Australia (4716-4720), CORE Rank: A.</i>	2021
16. Fani , Tamannaee*, Zarrinkalam, Samouh [†] , Paydar, Bagheri. An Extensible Toolkit of Query Refinement Methods and Gold Standard Dataset Generation. <i>The 43rd European Conference on IR Research (ECIR), Lucca, Italy (498-503). CORE Rank: A.</i>	2021
15. Tamannaee*, Fani , Zarrinkalam, Samouh [†] , Paydar, Bagheri. ReQue: A Configurable Workflow and Dataset Collection for Query Refinement. The 29 th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Virtual Event, Ireland, (3165–3172), CORE Rank: A.	2020
14. Rad*, Fani, Kargar, Szlichta, Bagheri. Learning to Form Skill–based Teams of Experts. The 29th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Virtual Event, Ireland (2049–2052), CORE Rank: A.	2020
13. Fani*, Bagheri, Du. Temporal Latent Space Modeling for Community Prediction. The 42 nd European Conference on IR Research (ECIR), Lisbon, Portugal (745–759), CORE Rank: A.	2020
12. Fani*, Mirlohi*, Hosseini*, Herpers. Swim Stroke Analytic: Front Crawl Pulling Pose Classification. The 2018 IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP), Athens, Greece, (4068–4072), CORE Rank: B.	2018
11. Khodabakhsh*, Fani *, Zarrinkalam*, Bagheri. Predicting Personal Life Events from Streaming Social Content. <i>The 27th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Turin, Italy (1751–1754), CORE Rank: A.</i>	2018
10. Arabzadeh*, Fani *, Zarrinkalam*, Navivala [†] , Bagheri. Causal Dependencies for Future Interest Prediction on Twitter. The 27 th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Turin, Italy (1511–1514), CORE Rank: A.	2018
09. Fani*, Bashari*, Zarrinkalam*, Bagheri, Al–Obeidat. Stopword Detection for Streaming Content. The 40 th European Conference on IR Research (ECIR), Grenoble, France (737–743), CORE Rank: A.	2018
08. Fani*, Bagheri, Du. Temporally Like–minded User Community Identification through Neural Embeddings. The 26th ACM on Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Singapore, Singapore (577–586), CORE Rank: A.	2017
07. Zarrinkalam*, Fani *, Bagheri, Kahani. Predicting Users' Future Interests on Twitter. The 39 th European Conference on IR Research (ECIR), Aberdeen, United Kingdom (464–476), CORE Rank: A.	2017

06. Fani*, Zarrinkalam*, Bagheri, Du. Time–Sensitive Topic–Based Communities on Twitter. The 29th Canadian Intelligence (Canadian AI), Victoria, Canada (192–204.)	Conference on Artificial	2016
05. Zarrinkalam*, Fani *, Bagheri, Kahani. Inferring Implicit Topical Interests on Twitter. The 38th European Co (ECIR), Padua, Italy (479–491), CORE Rank: A.	nference on IR Research	2016
04. Fani *. Temporal Formation and Evolution of Online Communities. The 9th ACM International Conference on Mining (WSDM), San Francisco, United States (717), CORE Rank: A*.	Web Search and Data	2016
03. Zarrinkalam*, Fani*, Bagheri, Kahani, Du. Semantics–Enabled User Interest Detection from Twitter International Conference on Web Intelligence and Intelligent Agent Technology (WI–IAT), Singapore, Singapore (469–476), CO		2015
02. Feng*, Fani *, Bagheri, Jovanovic. Lexical Semantic Relatedness for Twitter Analytics. The 27 th IEEE International National Intelligence (ICTAI), Vietri sul Mare, Italy (202–209), CORE Rank: B.	onal Conference on Tools	2015
01. Fani*, Bagheri. An Ontology for Describing Security Events. The 27th International Conference on Software Engineering (SEKE), Pittsburgh, United States (455–460), CORE Rank: B.	gineering and Knowledge	2015
Technical Reports		
01. Nguyen, Fani *, Bagheri, Titericz. Bagging Model for Product Title Quality with Noise. The 26 th ACM Internal Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM AnalytiCup'17.)	ional Conference on	2017
Tutorials & Talks		
03. Zarrinkalam, Fani, Bagheri. Tutorial on Extracting, Mining and Predicting Users' Interests from Social International ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval, CORE Rank: A*, Paris, France		2019
02. Zarrinkalam, Fani , Bagheri. Tutorial on Social User Interest Mining: Methods and Applications. The 25th ACM Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD), CORE Rank: A*, Anchorage, AK, United States.	SIGKDD International	2019
01. Fani, Swim Stroke Analytic: Front Crawl Pulling Pose Classification. A.I. Socratic Circles (#AISC), https://a Canada, https://youtu.be/pxzZalBla6U	isc.ai.science/ , Toronto,	2019
Conference Attended		
08. The 43rd European Conference on Information Retrieval, Bloomberg, Amazon, Lucca, Tuscany, Italy, Onlin	e.	2021
07. The 42 nd European Conference on Information Retrieval, Bloomberg, Google, Amazon, eBay, Lisbon, Porto		2020
06. The 27th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management, ACM, SIGIR, Turin		2018
05. The 26th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management, ACM, SIGIR, Singapore		2017
04. The 29th Canadian Conference on Artificial Intelligence, CAIAC, Victoria, BC.	,010.	2016
03. The 9th ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining, Adobe, Google, Microsoft, San Fr	ancisco USA	2016
02. International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence, Vietri sul Mare, Italy.	theiseo, 0011.	2015
01. The 27th International Conference on Software Engineering and Knowledge Engineering, Pittsburgh, USA		2015
11. The 27 international conference on software Engineering and Knowledge Engineering, Pittsburgh, Cort		2013
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High Schooler		
1. Qinfeng (Alice) Yu, Research Assistant, NeuCG: Neural Computational Geometry	Summer 2022 – 1	Fall 2022
Post-doctorate & Visiting Scholar		
1. Mahdis Saeedi, Assistant Professor in Mathematics, Ershad Damavand, Iran, Visiting Scholar Doctorate	Jun 2022 – N	·
3. Kia Jahanbin, Forecasting Cryptocurrency Prices via Social Sentiment Analysis, University of Yazd, Iran, Co-PI	Fall 2022 –	Present
2. Soroush Ziaeinejad, User Community Prediction for Social Information Retrieval, University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2021 –	Present
1. Zahra Taherikhonakdar, Synergistic Balance of Social Context for Information Retrieval, University of Windsor, PI Master's	Fall 2021 –	Present
10. Hamed Waezi, Team Completion, University of Windsor, PI	Winter 2023 –	Present
09. Reza Barzegar, Interpretable Team Formation Algorithms, University of Windsor, PI	Winter 2023 –	
08. Farinam Hemmati Zadeh, Latent Aspect Detection in Product Reviews, University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2022 –	
07. Hamed Loghmani, <i>Diversity-aware Team Formation</i> , University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2022 –	
06. Sara Salamati Taba, Online Predatory Conversation Detection, University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2021 – F	Fall 2021
05. Roonak Moasses, Bias in Team Formation Algorithms, University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2021 -	Present
04. Yogeswar Lakshmi Narayanan, Reinforcement Learning for Query Refinement, University of Windsor, PI	Fall 2021 -	Present
03. Karan Saxena, Geo-aware Team Formation, University of Windsor, PI	Winter 2021 –	
02. Arman Dashti, <i>Time–sensitive Team Formation</i> , University of Windsor, PI	Winter 2021 –	
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01. Muhammad Moeed Khalid, Online Predatory Conversation Detection, University of Windsor, Co-PI Undergraduate Research Assistant	Fall 2020 –	
6. Ehsan Salimi, Research Assistant, Online Predatory Conversation Detection	Fall 2022 – Win	
5. Bhavya Patel, Research Assistant, ReQue: A Benchmark Workflow and Dataset Collection for Query Refinement		
A CLICK WILL OLD IN CLID A ELLOCATION IN CONTRACTOR	Fall 2022 – Win	
4. Christine Wong, Outstanding Scholar, SEERa: A Framework for Community Prediction	Fall 2022 – Win Fall 2022 – Win	
4. Christine Wong, Outstanding Scholar, SEERa: A Framework for Community Prediction 3. Sharjeel Mustafa, Outstanding Scholar, SEERa: A Framework for Community Prediction		ter 2023
3. Sharjeel Mustafa, Outstanding Scholar, SEERa: A Framework for Community Prediction	Fall 2022 – Win Fall 2022 – Win	ter 2023
	Fall 2022 – Win Fall 2022 – Win	ater 2023 ater 2023 Fall 2022

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Bachelor's Honors 6. Brandon Klassen, Personalized Query Refinement Surr	nmer 2022 – Fall 2022
	inter 2022 — Fall 2022
4. Emily Boice, Bryce Hughson, Mohammad Elias Khan, Personalized Query Refinement	Fall 2021 – Winter 2022
3. Xiancheng Yan, Zixun Wang, Dongli Zhu, Neural Machine Translation for Team Formation	Fall 2021 – Winter 2022
	inter 2021 – Fall 2021
1. Yang Wang, Jinhua Long, Ritu Ge, Juntao Ma, Topic Tracking in Online Social Networks	Fall 2020 – Winter 2021
TEACHING	
11. System Programming (The Unix Reloaded), COMP2560, University of Windsor, Canada	Fall 2021
10. Natural Language Processing & Understanding (NLP for SNA), COMP8730, University of Windsor, Canada	Winter 2021
09. Computer Architecture I: Digital Design (A Digital Odyssey), COMP2650, University of Windsor, Canada	Fall 2020, Winter 2021
08. Fundamentals of Data Engineering (2019: A Data Odyssey), COE848, , Toronto Metropolitan University, Canada	
07. Design and Analysis of Algorithms, Payame Noor University, Iran	Winter 2014
06. Data Structure, Payame Noor University, Iran	Ī
05. Logical Circuits (Digital Design), Payame Noor University, Iran 04. Computer Architecture, Payame Noor University, Iran	
03. Operating Systems, Payame Noor University, Iran	
02. Software Engineering (Software Test), Payame Noor University, Iran	Winter 2009
01. Information Store and Retrieval (File Structure), Islamic Azad University, Iran	Fall 2009
AWARD	
9. Student Pitch Prize, University of New Brunswick, Canada, AI–Powered Swim Stroke Analytics, 3rd Place, Growth	CAD\$500 March 2019
Category	"
8. Travel Grant, The 26th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge (CIKM), Singapore	SGD\$2,000 Nov 2017
7. AnalytiCup Prize, The 26th ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge (CIKM), Singapore,	
Product Title Quality Challenge, 2nd Place, Lazada Singapore, Participants: 169	" /
6. Student Travel Award , Faculty of Computer Science, University of New Brunswick, Canada, <i>The 26th ACM</i>	CAD\$500 Nov 2017
International Conference on Information and Knowledge (CIKM), Singapore	C/1D#500 1 10 V 2017
5. Student Travel Award, The 29th Canadian Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AI2016), BC, Canada	CAD\$500 June 2016
4. Student Travel Award, Faculty of Computer Science, University of New Brunswick, Canada, The 29th Canadian	CAD\$800 June 2016
Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AI2016), BC, Canada	
3. Student Travel Grant, The 9th ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM'16), US	US\$270 Feb 2016
2. Student Travel Award, Faculty of Computer Science, University of New Brunswick, Canada, The 27th International	CAD\$1,000 Nov 2015
Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI'15), Italy	
1. International Differential Fees Award, Faculty of Computer Science, University of New Brunswick, Canada, Ca	CAD\$12,636 May 2014
CAD\$4,212.00 for three years	
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Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)	
2. Reviewer for Discovery Grant	Nov 2021 – Present
1. Reviewer for Idea to Innovation (I2I)	Oct 2021 – Present
University of Windsor	
2. MSc Admission Committee, School of Computer Science, University of Windsor	July 2021 - Present
1. Windsor University Faculty Association (WUFA)	July 2020 – Present
Academic Society	
2. Professional Member, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)	Sept 2019 - Present
1. Student Member, Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)	Sept 2018 – Aug 2019
Session Chairs	
3. The 44th ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval, CORE Rank: A*	July 2021
2. The 29th ACM Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Resource Track, CORE Rank: A	
1. IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI), CORE Rank: B	Nov 2015
Program Committee Member	
13. European Conference on Information Retrieval (ECIR) Long & Short Paper Track, CORE Rank: A	2019 – 2023
12. ACM SIGIR Conference on Research and Development in Information Retrieval, Long & Short & Reproducib	oility Paper 2020 – 2022
Track, CORE Rank: A* 11. ACM SICKED Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining. Applied Data Science Track. CORE Re-	al A* 2021 2022
11. ACM SIGKDD Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, Applied Data Science Track, CORE Rat 10. ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM), Short & Resource Paper Tra	
Rank: A	ica, CORE 2020 – 2022
09. ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM), CORE Rank: A*	2021 - 2023

08. Empirical Methods in NLP (EMNLP), Computational Social Science and Social Media, Question Answering, Language	2020 - 2022
Modeling, Machine Learning for NLP, and Interpretability, Interactivity & Analysis of Models for NLP Tracks, CORE Rank: A	
07. Canadian Conference on Artificial Intelligence (Canadian AI)	2021 - 2022
06. The North American Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), CORE Rank: A	2021
05. International AAAI Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM), CORE Rank: A	2021 - 2022
04. ACM International Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys)	2022
03. European Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (EACL), CORE Rank: A	2022 - 2023
02. Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL), CORE Rank: A*	2020
01. International Learning Analytics & Knowledge Conference (LAK), Full and Short Research Papers Track, CORE Rank: A	2016 - 2018
Review Duties	
8. ACM Transactions on Information Systems (TOIS), Impact Factor: 7.1	
7. Artificial Intelligence Review, Impact Factor: 5.747	

- 6. Expert Systems with Applications, Impact Factor: 6.954
- 5. IEEE Access, Impact Factor: 4.098
- 4. IEEE Transactions on Computational Social Systems, Impact Factor: 3.29
- 3. Information Processing & Management (IP&M), Impact Factor: 6.222
- 2. Information Systems, Impact Factor: 2.466
- 1. Personal and Übiquitous Computing, Springer Nature, Impact Factor: 2.0

HOBBY

Art: Cinema, Charcoal Ballpoint Pen Painting Sport: Swimming, Cycling, Soccer, Wrestling