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RESEARCH INTERESTS
Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Artificial Intelligence

EDUCATION

York University
M.Sc. in Computer Science *2022-Present*
Supervisor : Dr. Marcus Brubaker
Coursework :
- *Online Courses* : Deep Unsupervised Learning (UC Berkeley CS294, online, audited)

Sharif University of Technology
B.S. in Computer Engineering *2017-2022*
GPA : **18.53**/20
Coursework :
- *University Courses* : Machine Learning (20/20), Artificial Intelligence (19.9/20), Probability and Statistics (18.6/20), Linear algebra (19.5/20)
- *Online Courses* : CNNs for Visual Recognition (Stanford CS231n, online, audited)

PRESENTATIOIN
Mahmoudinia E, **Forghani F**, Rohban MH. Medical image segmentation with limited annotated data using a self-supervised and generalized framework. Presented at EMBL Symposium ; October 2021. (Poster Link)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Internship at Ecole Polytechnique Federale de Lausanne (EPFL)
Advised by Prof. A. Alahi, Visual Intelligence for Transportation (VITA) Lab *Jul 2021-Feb 2022*
Realistic Adversarial Attack on Human Trajectory Predictor
- Conducted a literature review on density estimation techniques and their applications on human trajectory data.
- Used Masked autoregressive flow to find natural adversarial examples to test the reliability of human trajectory predictors.
- Adversarially trained LSTM based predictors and reduced the **collision rate** up to **35%** in the case of an adversarial attack on test data.

Research Assistant at Sharif University of Technology *Oct 2020-Present*
Advised by Prof. Mohammad Hossein Rohban, Medical Image Analysis Group, Department of Computer Engineering
Cell Segmentation using a Self-supervised Framework
- Used unsupervised learning frameworks (simCLR, MoCo, SimSiam) to train U-net encoder with unannotated cell images.
- Improved mean average precision (mAP) after fine-tuning with annotated ones **up to 8%**.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Intern at Sinaweb Company *Summer 2020*
Intrinsic Plagiarism detection
- Extracting lexical, structural, and syntax features.
- Proposed a regression model to fuse features and predict writing style.
- Implemented an outlier detection model to find possible plagiarised segments.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages and Tools:
- Programming: Python, Java, C/C++
- Data Manipulation: Pandas, SQL
- Vision/ML Libraries: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, NLTK, OpenCV
- Hardware: MIPS32, Verilog

Web and Mobile app Development: Django, HTML, CSS, JS, Android, Swift
Operating Systems: Windows, Macintosh

HONORS AND AWARDS

Recipient of the Vector Scholarship in AI and Member of Vector Institute *2022*
17,500 CAD, Awarded to exceptional candidates pursuing an AI-focused master's program recognized by the Vector Institute.

Recipient of the VISTA Program Master's Scholarship *2022-2024*
10,000 CAD per yaer, Awarded to high-calibre scholars doing research in computer vision.

Recipient of York Graduate Scholarship *2022*
6,000 CAD, Awarded to top-ranked applicants in the first year of study based on their academic merit.

National University Entrance Exams (Konkur) *2017*
Ranked 125^{th} among 150,000 in Mathematics and Physics.

Member of national ELITE foundation *2017 - Present*
Recipient of the Grant for Undergraduate Studies from the Iranian National Foundation of Elites.

UNIVERSITY PROJECTS

- Cleaned data and trained models to find best clickthrough rate, Machine Learning Course Project (Python) *Fall 2020*
- Preprocessed, classified and clustered English Ted Talks and Persian Wikipedia pages in order to design an information retrieval system with search and query correction abilities, Modern Information Retrieval Course Project (Python) *Fall 2020*
  Project Github Link
- Appointment making website, System Analysis and Design Course Project (Django framework)
  Project Gitlab Link *Spring 2020*

SOCIAL SKILLS

Teamwork, Fast Learner, Problem Solving, Creativity

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant (Sharif University of Technology)

- Machine Learning (graduate course), Dr. A. Hosseini *Spring 2021 & Fall 2021*
- Artificial Intelligence, Dr. MH. Rohban *Spring 2021*
- Computer Architecture, Dr. H. Asadi *Spring 2021*
- Computer Structure and Language, Dr. L. Arshadi *Fall 2020*
- Digital Design, Dr. Sh. Hesabi *Spring 2020*
- Computer Structure and Language, Dr. H. Asadi *Fall 2019*
- Advance Programming, Dr. B. Hatami *Spring 2019*

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Member of Data Days Scientific Group (DataDays - A Machine Learning and Data Science Competition) Sharif University of Technology *Nov 2019 - Mar 2020*
Contestant of Webelopers (A web competition) Sharif University of Technology *Oct 2019*
Data Days Executive Staff, Sharif University of Technology *Feb 2019*
ACM Executive Staff, ACM-International Collegiate Programming Contest *Dec 2018*
Sharif AI Executive Staff, Sharif Artificial Intelligence Challenge *Mar 2018 and Mar 2019*

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent)

- **TOEFL : 109/120**
  Reading : 30/30, Listening : 30/30, Speaking : 26/30, Writing : 23/30
- **GRE** :
  Quantitative Reasoning : 165/170