Mehrdad Aksari Mahabadi

Research Interests

- Deep Learning
- o Trustworthy Machine Learning

- o Graph Representation Learning
- o Database Systems

Education

Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnique)

2020 - Present

BS in Computer Science

GPA: 18.71 / 20

Relevant Coursework: Advanced Programming 19.52/20, Data Structures & Algorithms 19.75/20, Design & Analysis of Algorithms 17.75/20, Probability Theory 18.82/20, Graph Theory 19.25/20, Numerical Linear Algebra 19.5/20, Numerical Analysis 20/20, Mathematical Analysis 20/20, Linear Optimization 20/20, Artificial Intelligence 20/20, Operating Sys. 18/20, Databases 20/20, Computational Intelligence 19/20, Deep Learning 20/20, Computational Geometry 18.75/20, Bioinformatics 18.1/20, Cryptography 19/20

Experience

Sharif University Undergraduate Research Assistant

Jul 2024 - Present

I'm working on backdoor attacks under the supervision of Dr. Rohban and Dr. Soleymani. We've developed a simple multi-trigger attack that can bypass Anti-Backdoor Learning, a state-of-the-art defense. Currently, we are testing our attack against other defenses, and we hope to publish the results soon.

Amirkabir University Undergraduate Research Assistant

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

Studied machine learning with graphs under the supervision of Dr. Rahmati. During this time, I learned about graph neural network architectures and gained hands-on experience by implementing them in Pytorch. Furthermore, I studied knowledge graph embeddings and their applications within drug interaction networks.

Snapp Software Engineer

Jan 2023 - Mar 2024

Snapp is the leading company in providing online taxi services with over 30 million users in Iran. As part of the Routing team, we were responsible for providing estimated time of arrival (ETA) and navigation services.

- Added a post-processing procedure to the map matching algorithm, which significantly improved coverage.
- o Integrated traffic speeds into routing algorithms, enabling time-dependent routing.
- Redesigned ETA benchmarking service leveraging concurrency, which increased throughput by x10.

Honors & Awards

Ranked among **top 3** students between 70 students who began their studies in Sep. 2020 at Amirkabir Feb 2022 University of Technology, Dept. of Comp. Sci. and consequently recognized as an **outstanding** student.

Eligible to choose a **second major** due to outstanding performance.

Feb 2021 Sep 2020

Ranked among the **top 2**% between all applicants in the University Entrance Nationwide Exam known as Konkur (approximately 150,000 applicants).

Selected for study in schools of National Organization for the Development of Exceptional Talents

Sep 2013

Technical Reports

Fuzzy Linear Algebra report for numerical linear algebra course in Farsi Used Sympy to solve fuzzy linear systems with Gaussian and Jacobian iterative methods

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Bounds for Pancake Problem report for graduate course in bioinformatic Introduced sorting by subset prefix reversal problem and its theoretical bounds link

Teaching Experience

Computational Geometry, Dr. Rahmati	Fall 2024
Numerical Linear Algebra, Dr. Dehghan	Fall 2024
Fundamentals of Programming, Dr. Rahmati	Fall 2023
Algorithm Design & Analysis, Dr. Seyed javadi	Fall 2022
Fundamentals of Programming, Dr. Salari	Fall 2021

Selected Projects

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Implementation of a diverse array of deep learning algorithms in Pytorch, Including GAN, VAE, DDPM, LSTM, and GPT architectures, along with applications of CLIP, DINO, and StableDiffusion.

Evolucopter

An evolutionary agent that masters a simplistic helicopter game using genetic algorithms and neural network.

Diffnet

A tiny neural network framework that works with reverse mode automatic differentiation.

Xv6 link

A fork of xv6 operating system that supports copy-on-write and lazy page allocation.

Coyote link

A routing engine that uses Dijkstra, A*, and ATL algorithms to compute the shortest path on a road network.

Camel link

An interpreted programming language that supports arrays, dictionaries, functions, and closures.

Online Courses

Machine Learning Specialization, Standford University

Machine Learning with Graphs, Standford University

Deep Learning, Sharif University

Security & Privacy in Machine Learning, Sharif University

Intro. to Database Systems, Carnegie Mellon University

Technical Skills

- o Languages Python, Go, Java, C
- o AI PyTorch, PyTorch Geometric, Jax, Hugging-Face, Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib
- o Database Postgresql, Redis
- Cloud/MLOps Docker, Kubernetes
- o Tools Git, Vim

Test Scores

o TOEFL iBT 111/120 (reading 28/30, listening 28/30, speaking 27/30, writing 28/30)

References

Dr. RahmatiHead of Comp. Sci. Dept., Amirkabir Universityzrahmati@aut.ac.irDr. Soleymani BaghshahProfessor Comp. Eng. Dept., Sharif Universitysoleymani@sharif.eduDr. SalariProfessor of Comp. Sci., Razi Universityf.salari@razi.ac.ir