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### **Education**

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

2017 - present

Ph.D., Quantitative Marketing

Committee: Nitin Mehta, David Soberman, Matthew Osborne

University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran

2010 - 2016

M.Sc., Economics, 2016

B.Sc., Electrical Engineering, 2014

### **Research Interests**

Applied Microeconomics, Empirical Industrial Organization, Behavioral Economics

# **Working Papers**

- "Is More Precise Word of Mouth Better for a High Quality Firm? ... Not Always", with David Soberman
- "Why Are Rational Expectations Violated in Social Interactions?"

# **Papers in Progress**

- "Algorithmic Pricing in Home-Sharing Markets: Evidence from Airbnb", with Nitin Mehta
- "Paying for Consumer Attention", with Mengze Shi and Michelle Lu
- "Are Short-Term Home-Sharing Regulations Effective? Evidence from Airbnb", with Hojat Abdolanezhad
- "Who Should Be Rewarded More? Evaluating The Effect of Reward Allocation", with Reza Roshangarzadeh and Shervin Tehrani
- "Review Distortion", with Hojat Abdolanezhad

### Other Publications

- "Dynamic Regional Effects of Monetary Policy on Employment in Iran (TVP-FAVAR Approach)", with Sajjad Barkhordari [in Persian]

  Quarterly Journal of Applied Theories of Economics, 6(4), 109–136, 2020.
- "Diagnosis of Sleep Apnea Based on Fractal Variability Analysis of EEG Signals in Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea", with Peyman Nazari, Tara Ghafari, Sharareh Dariani, and Mohammad R. Raoufy [in Persian]

  Nafas Journal, 1(4), 8–15, 2014.

### **Presentations**

2021: Marketing Science Conference (Virtual)

2020: Marketing Science Conference (Virtual), Rotman (Marketing brown bag)

2019: Marketing Science Conference (Rome), BEAR Research Retreat (Toronto)

### **Honors & Awards**

TD Management Data and Analytics Lab Research Grant (\$7,000)	2021
AMA-Sheth Foundation Doctoral Consortium Fellow	2021
ISMS Doctoral Consortium Fellow	2020
MIT Professional Education Scholarship	2020
University of Toronto SGS Conference Grant	2019
UTGSU Conference Bursary	2019
Behavioural Economics in Action at Rotman (BEAR) Research Award (\$7,500)	2018
University of Toronto Fellowship	2017 - 2022
Director's Fellowship, Rotman School of University of Toronto	2017-2019
ASU Graduate Assistantship	2016
ASU Fellowship	2016
Top Student Prize, University of Tehran	2015
Iranian National Elite Foundation Award	2015
Merit-Based Scholarship, School of ECE, University of Tehran	2014

### **Conferences**

**2021:** UTDallas Bass Conference, Crypto and Blockchain Economics Research (Toronto & Cornell), BI-Org Cash Transfer Programs Symposium (Toronto), ZEW Conference on the Economics of ICT (Manheim), Artificial Intelligence Measurement and Evaluation (AIME) Workshop

2020: NBER Digitization (Stanford), ZEW ICT (Mannheim), NBER Summer Institute (IT & Digitization-Urban Economics), NBER Economics of AI (Torono), Advances with Field Experiments (Chicago), Quantitative Marketing and Economics (QME), FTC Microeconomics Conference

2019: NBER Economics of AI Young Scholars Workshop (Toronto)

2018: Frontiers in the Economics of Organizations and Markets (Toronto)

**2017:** Econometrics and Applied Micro Conference (Toronto)

**2015:** Sleep and Breathing Conference (Barcelona), International Congress of Physiology & Pharmacology (Kashan)

# Work Experience

Project Coach 2019 - 2021

Master of Management Analytics Program, University of Toronto

Host Companies: Unilever, York Region, TD Bank, Scotiabank, CIBC, BMO

Data Analyst 2015 - 2016

Marketing Division, PANA Group, Tehran, Iran

#### **IAESTE Summer Intern**

Jun 2014 - Aug 2014

Hrvatska Elektroprivreda, Osijek, Croatia

# **Teaching Experience**

#### Teaching Assistant (U of Toronto)

Management Analytics Practicum (MMA)  $\times$  2

Analytics in Management (MMA)

Modelling Tools for Predictive Analytics (MMA)  $\times$  3

Predictive Analytics (MMA)

Tools for Probabilistic Models and Prescriptive Analytics (MMA)

Analytics for Marketing Strategy (MMA)

Data-Based Management Decisions (MBA)

Statistics for Management (MBA)

Managing Customer Value (MBA)  $\times$  3

Marketing Research (MBA)

Global Marketing (GEMBA)

Decision Making with Models & Data (GEMBA)

Prices and Markets (MMI)

Principles of Marketing (Commerce)  $\times$  4

Marketing and Behavioural Economics (Commerce)

Predictive Analytics for Management (Commerce)  $\times$  2

## Teaching Assistant (U of Tehran)

2012 - 2016

2018 - present

Calculus I, Calculus II, Statistics I, Statistics II, Probability and Statistics,

Game Theory, Microeconomics, Financial Economics

# **Research Experience**

Research Assistant to Professors *Tanjim Hossain* and *Peter Landry*Research Assistant to Professor *Ryan Webb* 

2018-2019

2018

# **Computer Skills**

Matlab, Python, R, Stata, C/C++, Eviews SQL, oTree, Qualtrics, Breadboard, MouseLAB, Tobii Pro

# **Graduate Courses**

#### **Economics**:

Mathematics for Economists (ASU)  $\,$ 

Microeconomic Analysis I (ASU) Microeconomic Analysis II (ASU)

Macroeconomic Analysis I (ASU)

Macroeconomic Analysis II (ASU)

Econometrics I (ASU)

Econometrics II (Audited)

Industrial Organization I

Industrial Organization II

Topics in Econometrics (Audited)

Discrete Choice Analysis (MIT)

Advanced Topics in the Theory of IO

Empirical Applications of Economic Theory

Methods for Empirical Microeconomics (Audited)

Andreas Kleiner

Edward Schlee

Alejandro Manelli

Gustavo Ventura, Berthold Herrendorf

Natalia Kovrijnykh

Seung Ahn

Adonis Yatchew, Victor Aguirregabiria

Yao Luo

Victor Aguirregabiria

Aguirregabiria, Burda, Gu, Luo, Wan

Moshe Ben-Akiva

Heski Bar-Isaac

Eduardo Souza-Rodrigues

Arthur Blouin

Behavioural Economics Yoram Halevy
Experimental Economics Tanjim Hossain

#### Marketing:

Marketing Theory I: Consumer Behavior

The Psychology of Judgement and Decision Making

Marketing Theory II: Strategy

Current Topics in Marketing Strategy

Econometric Methods in Marketing

Methods in Quantitative Marketing (Audited)

Workshop in Marketing

Pankaj Aggarwal

Dilip Soman

Sridhar Moorthy

David Soberman

Matthew Osborne

Avi Goldfarb

Wengze Shi

#### Machine Learning:

Machine Learning and Data Mining (Audited)

Statistical Methods for Machine Learning (Audited)

Networks and Deep Learning (Audited)

Roger Grosse

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#### Other Courses:

Monte Carlo Methods (Audited)

Seminar in Network Analysis (Audited)

Computational Social Science (Audited)

Graph Theory (Audited)

Jeffrey Rosenthal
Fedor Dokshin
Ashton Anderson
Robert Mccann