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## Education

- 2020–Now **B.Sc. in Computer Science**, *McGill University, Montreal, Canada*.  
[GPA: 3.94/4]
- 2019–2020 **B.Sc. in Computer Engineering**, *Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran*.  
[GPA: 19.21/20, 4/4], Transferred to McGill University after moving to Canada.
- 2016–2019 **High School**, *Farzanegan 2 High School, National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents (NODET), Tehran, Iran*, [GPA: 19.89/20, 4/4].

## Work/Research Experience

- Jan 2023 – Now **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, *McGill University, Montreal, Quebec*.  
Supervisor: Prof. Muthucumaru Maheswaran  
◦ Currently working on developing algorithms to navigate a set of smart moving devices using Wifi RRSI and CSI readings of smart (ESP32) guides, simulating reflection and refraction of emitted data beams.
- Sep 2022 – **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, *McGill University, Montreal, Quebec*.  
Dec 2022 COMP310: Operating Systems - Instructor: Prof. Muthucumaru Maheswaran
- June 2022 – **SDE Intern**, *AWS IoT FreeRTOS Team, Amazon, Vancouver, British Columbia*.  
Sep 2022 ◦ Introduced open-source CloudFormation templates to accelerate IoT data ingestion and visualization.  
◦ Implemented four templates (AWS Timestream, IoT Analytics, Kinesis Data Firehose, and OpenSearch Service) to capture, ingest, and visualize IoT data coming from AWS ExpressLink devices to AWS IoT Core.  
◦ My contributions are publicly available at the [AWS IoT ExpressLink github repository](#).
- May 2022 – **Research Volunteer**, *McGill University*, Supervisor: Prof. Joseph Vybihal.  
Aug 2022 ◦ Studied security vulnerabilities, challenges, and requirements of multi agent systems.  
◦ Designed a layered security framework for multi agent systems that use blackboard (central repository) communication using Mobile Ad Hoc Network (MANET), fault tolerance, and integrity policies.
- May 2021 – **Data Engineering Intern**, *DataLake Team, Canadian National Railway (CN), Montreal, Quebec*.  
Sep 2021 ◦ Introduced and implemented an internal Q&A and knowledge sharing platform for the team.  
◦ Implemented monitoring dashboards using Microsoft Azure and Power Bi.
- Feb 2021 – **Research & Development Intern**, *Affinity RCM Team, Harris Computer Corporation, Ottawa, Ontario*.  
May 2021 ◦ Designed an automated quality assurance (QA) process framework using Selenium webdriver and C# supporting web-based application testing.

## Honors and Awards

- Since 2021 **Member of the Golden Key International Honour Society**, *Selected by the Dean of Students at McGill University*.
- 2021 **McGill Faculty of Science Scholarship**, *Faculty of Science Scholarships Committee, McGill University*.
- 2021 **Member of the McGill Dean's Honour List**, *McGill University*.
- 2021 **Excellence Scholarship in Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Computer Construction, and Electrical, Electronic and Communications Engineering**, *Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur*.
- 2021 **McGill Perseverance Award**, *Scholarships and Student Aid Office, McGill University*.
- 2021 **Selected for Google CS Research Mentorship Program (CSRMP)**.
- 2019 **Ranked 68th among +164,000 participants**, *Iranian University Entrance Exam (Konkour)*.
- 2017 **Bronze Medal**, *2017 India International Mathematics Competition (InIMC), Lucknow, India*.
- 2015 **Recipient of Outstanding Achievement Certificate**, *Gauss Mathematics Contest, University of Waterloo Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing (CEMC)*.
- 2015 **Gold Prize Winner**, *The 2015 International Mathematics Contest (IMC), Singapore*.

## Publications

G. Sadeghian, M. Elsakhawy, **M. Shahrads**, J. Hattori, and M. Shahrads, “UnFaaSener: Latency and Cost Aware Offloading of Functions from Serverless Platforms”, under review at USENIX ATC '23.

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## Other Projects

- Fall 2022 Developing of a Paxos module for total order delivery of messages in a distributed system
- Fall 2022 Stabilizing the inverted pendulum system using Kalman filter, PID controller, and RL controller
- Fall 2022 Developing a Travelling Salesman Problem solver using Azure Quantum Inspired Optimization tools
- Winter 2022 Developing brick breaker in x86 assembly language with cover art for the game using OpenGL and GLSL
- Winter 2022 Developing an AI agent to play Colosseum Survival game
- Fall 2021 Analysis of the performance of wider neural networks given the same number of parameters
- Fall 2021 Analyzing the discussions around COVID-19 in Canadian social media (Twitter) with sentiment analysis
- Fall 2021 Selected as Borealis AI Mentorship Program Participant, Large countries' deforestation rate predictor.

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## Skills

- Programming Proficient: Python, Java, C/C++, Bash - Intermediate: C#, x86 Assembly, CUDA, R, OCaml, SQL, KQL, HTML/CSS
- Tools Git, Docker, Microsoft Power Bi, Selenium, AWS CDK, PyTorch, Flask, Python Turtle, Bokeh Dashboards, Grafana, ZooKeeper
- Cloud Comp. Microsoft Azure: {VMs, Data Factory, Databricks, App Service, Container Instances, Data Lake Storage, Azure DevOps, Azure Quantum}, AWS {Lambda, S3, EC2, EFS, ECR, VPC, SNS, Step Functions, Athena, Glue, Kinesis, OpenSearch, QuickSight, Timestream, IoT Core, IoT Analytics}, GCP: {VM Instances, Storage, Cloud Functions, Pub/Sub, Workflows, Cloud Composer}
- OS's Linux, MacOS, Windows

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## Volunteer Work

- 2021 McGill University Head Delegate, *Canadian University Software Engineering Conference 2022*, Montreal, Canada
- 2021 Mentor at New Student Mentorship Program (NSMP), *McGill Campus Life and Engagement*, Montreal, Canada
- 2021 Co-president, *Girls Who Code McGill* student club, Montreal, Canada
- 2020 Vice President of Internal Affairs, *Through Their Eyes* student club, Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU), Montreal, Canada.
- 2019 Executive Staff, International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC), Asia Region - Tehran Site, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran.

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## Immigration Status

Canadian Permanent Resident (PR)