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Summary

As a PhD student in Machine Learning and Natural Language Processing, I specialize in visual and text reasoning. I also excel in deploying large language models (LLMs) effectively. My solid foundation in software engineering has empowered me to make meaningful contributions to notable projects such as **Pytorch-Geometric**, **LangChain**, **Open-Assistant**, **Gymnasium**, and **Gorilla**. I excel in collaborative teams and driving projects to success.

05/2025 - 08/2025

Microsoft – One Microsoft Way, Redmond, WA

Data Science Intern - Bing Map Team

- Developed an LLM-driven analytics agent to uncover insights from large-scale telemetry data, enabling natural-language querying and multi-turn follow-ups over structured session logs.
- Automated weekly metric monitoring and anomaly detection using SHAP values, ANOVA, and outlier-aware delta tracking across key retention and engagement dimensions.

07/2024 - 09/2024

Numenta – 889 Winslow Street, Redwood City, CA

Machine Learning Intern

- Fine-tuned LLM models, including Mistral, LLaMA, and GPT, leveraging techniques such as activation sparsity and attention sparsity to optimize performance.
- Developed techniques such as KWTA, dynamic context pruning, and KV caching.

06/2022 - 08/2024

Petrolern - 5460 Bridge Pointe Dr, Atlanta, GA

Digital Innovation Intern

- During my internship at Petrolern as a Digital Innovation Intern, I gained experience in both machine learning and data compression techniques
- I developed a semantic compression technique using a deep autoencoder to effectively map data tuples into a lower-dimensional representation
- As a machine learning engineer, I built models for analyzing geothermal data and improved their performance through algorithmic optimization

06/2018 - 08/2019

Lifeweb – Tehran, Iran

NLP Engineer

- Fine-tune models like BART for summarization on Persian text data.
- Implementing Matrix Factorization for topic modeling.
- BiLSTM-CRF Models for sequential tagging.

Education and Training

01/2021-current

University of Wyoming Laramie, WY (transferred from University of North Dakota)

Ph.D.: Computer Science

Area of research: Advancing efficient token compression and hierarchical cross-modal attention to boost reasoning accuracy in Multimodal Large Language Models.

Created a new benchmark dataset and developed PDF-LLaVA, a model that outperforms the original LLaVA using only 25% of the tokens. Currently focusing on precise decomposition of occluded shapes to enhance visual question answering within the dataset.

09/2016 - 09/2018	University of Tarbiat Modares Tehran, Iran Master of Science: Information Technology Engineering
09/2014 - 09/2016	University of Science And Culture Tehran, Iran Bachelor of Engineering: Computer Engineering
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Papers

- Zamini, M., Shukla, D. (WSDM 2026 Submission). Q-Route: Quaternion based Actor-Critic for KG Reasoning
- Zamini, M., Shukla, D. (WACV 2026 Submission). Delta-LLaVA: Base-then-Specialize Alignment for Token-Efficient Vision-Language Models
- Zamini, M., Reza, H. & Rabiei, M. (2022). A review of knowledge graph completion. Information, 13(8), 396.
- Zamini, M., Montazer, G. Credit card fraud detection using autoencoder based clustering. In 2018 9th International Symposium on Telecommunications (IST), 486-491. IEEE.

Skills

- Machine Learning
- Reinforcement Learning
- LLM/VLM

- PyTorch
- Codebase
- Python

Teaching Assistant Experiences

- Introduction to Programming
- Introduction to Artificial intelligence
- Software Design
- Machine Learning