# **SOROUSH OMRANPOUR**

#### SELECTED INDUSTRY & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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#### Scientist In Residence - LUCID

Advised by Aaron Labbe

May 2024 – September 2024 Montreal, Canada

• Designed and implemented an open-source generative AI pipeline called **Folly** for producing emotionally resonant, audio-synchronized music videos using a Conformer-based speech recognition model, a CNN-based music analysis toolkit, and stable diffusion. Audio synchronization was done by audio-aware interpolations in the VAE latent space.

### **Machine Learning Researcher - Mila**

September 2022 - August 2025

Co-advised by Reihaneh Rabbany and Guillaume Rabusseau

Montreal. Canada

- Developed a scalable and efficient tensor-factorized attention mechanism for high-dimensional tensor structured data, with applications in **timeseries forecasting**, **3D image classification**, and **multimodal stock market prediction** improving SOTA performance on the benchmark datasets and significantly reducing training time and memory footprint.
- Developed an efficient and light-weight **Vision-Language Models** for **Deep Fake Detection** surpassing other VLMs in both accuracy and run-time.
- Conducted research on **static/temporal graph learning** methods to analyze mental health patterns of social media users based on their music listening behavior.

### **Research Intern - Music AI Lab**

February 2021 - November 2021

Advised by Yi-Hsuan Yang

Taipei, Taiwan

• Developed two open-source python packages: **DeepMusic** A library for high level musical data manipulation and preprocessing, supporting common encodings used by sequential models, and **Music-Generation** A PyTorch-based framework for training Transformer models on symbolic music data for conditional or unconditional generation.

# **Deep Learning Engineer - Fanap Inc.**

February 2020 – August 2022

Z-Lab

Tehran, Iran

- Developed a full Persian **Speech Recognition** pipeline including wakeword detection, noise reduction, acoustic modeling (pretrained Wav2Vec2 finetuned on a collection of open and private speech dataets), and language model-based decoding.
- Designed and deployed a **sematic search engine** leveraging ElasticSearch and a sentence embedding Transformer (a pretrained Bert finetuned on a collection of private datasets) for commercial information retrieval.

### **Research Intern - IST Austria**

June 2019 - September 2019

Klosterneuburg, Austria

• Developed a **VAE-based** neuro-symbolic model for solving Raven Progressive Matrices, aiming to investigate abstract visual reasoning and generalization in neural networks.

## Research Intern - DML Lab

Advised by Christoph Lampert.

January 2019 - June 2019

Advised by Hamid R. Rabiee

Tehran, Iran

- Developed an information-theoretic framework called **SocialPhi** to measure the group performance of popular Github repos' contributors and study its correlation with the popularity of the project.
- Developed a SOTA **RNN-based** method for for early detection of fake news on social media reaching the same accuracy as other baselines in up to 20x fewer timesteps.

#### **EDUCATION**

McGill University 2022 – 2025

Master of Science in Computer Science, GPA: 3.46/4.00

Montreal, Canada

# **Sharif University of Technology**

2016 - 2021

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, GPA: 3.85/4.00

Tehran, Iran

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Omranpour, S., Rabbusseau, G., Rabbany, R. Kronecker-Structured Attention For Higher Order Transformers, Under Review
- **Omranpour, S.**, Rabbusseau, G., Rabbany, R. *Higher Order Transformers: Enhancing Stock Movement Prediction on Multimodal Time-Series Data.* Machine Learning in Finance at **KDD 2024**.
- Ramezani, M., Rafiei, M., Omranpour, S., Rabiee, H. News Labeling as Early as Possible: Real or Fake?. ASONAM 2019.

## **SKILLS**

**Languages**: Python, Bash, SQL, JS **Databases**: PostgresSQL, MongoDB **DevOps**: Git/Github, GCP, Docker, SLURM, Unix **ML**: PyTorch, HuggingFace Transformers, Pytorch-Lightning, Pytorch-Geometric, Librosa, Nvidia-Nemo, NumPy, Sklearn, PEFT, TRL, Diffusers, Einops, GluonTS, Matplotlib, Pandas

LLM/RAG: Ollama, Llama.cpp, LlamaIndex, LangChain