

# SAJAD DADGAR

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## Skills

- **Programming Languages:** Python, Java, SQL, JS, C/C++ , R, Matlab
- **Libraries:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Numpy, Pandas, Scikit-Learn, NLTK, OpenCV
- **AI & ML Skills:** Machine Learning, Foundation Models, LLMs, Deep Learning, NLP, Computer Vision, MLOps
- **Databases:** PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Oracle
- **Web Technologies:** Django, Spring, Node.js, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, React
- **Cloud Technologies:** Amazon AWS (e.g., S3, Glue, Redshift, SageMaker, Airflow, etc.)
- **Environments and Tools:** Linux (Ubuntu), Windows, Git, Docker, Postman
- **Soft Skills:** Problem-Solving, Team Work, Communication, Leadership, Project Management, Self-Learning

## Education

- University of Calgary**, M.Sc. in Computer Science 2023 – 2025
- **GPA:** 4.0 / 4.0
  - **Thesis:** Developed a novel policy mining approach from incomplete access logs, using MaxSAT to extract DTE policies for improved explainability and reliability, and GNNs to enhance efficiency and scalability.
- Amir Kabir University of Technology**, B.Sc. in Computer Science 2016 - 2021
- **GPA:** 3.75/4.0
  - **Thesis:** Identify misinformation about Covid-19 on social media.

## Work Experience








- AI Researcher**, Cybersecurity Research lab in UofC, Canada Sep 2023 – Aug 2025
- Developed a policy mining approach using MaxSAT to extract interpretable DTE policies from incomplete logs, enhancing explainability and reliability.
  - Leveraged GNNs to accelerate policy extraction and improve computational efficiency. Also, evaluated performance through experiments on benchmark datasets, assessing runtime, generalization, and scalability.
- Data Scientist**, Digikala Mar 2022 – Dec 2022
- Implementing machine learning models, analyzing large-scale customer and product data, and delivering insights that enhanced personalization and product development.
- Data Science Research Assistant**, Remote, University of South Australia Jul 2021 – Mar 2022
- Designed and evaluated machine learning models to analyze large datasets and extract actionable insights. Published two papers as first-author demonstrating innovative applications of data-driven approaches.
- Software Engineer Intern**, Rahnema Company, Iran Jul 2019 – Sep 2019
- Three months of learning and developing a mobile application using Spring, React Native, and etc.

## Teaching Experience

- Explorations in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning** - UofC May 2025 - Jul 2025
- Introduction to Software Engineering** - UofC Sep 2024 - May 2025
- Techniques for Numerical Computation** - UofC Jan 2024 - May 2024
- Web-Based Systems** - UofC Aug 2023 - May 2024
- Artificial Intelligence** - AUT Feb 2021 - Jul 2021

## Projects

- Engagehub: AI-Enhanced Public Engagement System** 🐙 Mar 2025
- Achieved 4th place in the Urban Systems hackathon by developing an AI-powered survey platform with voice input and LLM-based chatbot for real-time feedback analysis using NLP, speech-to-text, and web scraping.

<b>Foreign Affairs Data Visualization</b> 	Dec 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a data visualization project for a CANIS Data Visualization and Foreign Interference hackathon, focusing on extracting and visualizing data related to Chinese media influence on the Canadian government.</li> </ul>	
<b>MFCC Speech Recognition</b> 	Jun 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implemented a speech recognition system for the "Deep Learning" course project using MFCC and CNNs. The project involved developing various models and processing audio data to enhance recognition accuracy.</li> </ul>	
<b>Image Reconstruction via Hopfield Networks</b> 	May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implemented Hopfield Networks from scratch to effectively reconstruct incomplete images by iteratively converging to stored patterns, demonstrating robust associative memory capabilities.</li> </ul>	
<b>Call of Typing – Website for Typing Competition</b> 	Jun 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a typing competition website enabling users to enhance typing and listening skills through text and audio exercises, with features like profile customization, group contests, and a dynamic ranking system.</li> </ul>	
<b>Cando- Mobile Application for Auction</b> 	Sep 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a mobile app for auction with Spring and React Native, featuring live auction bidding, user account management, and real-time notifications for an engaging user experience.</li> </ul>	
<b>Data Analyzing of Digikala's Dataset</b> (Amirkabir Data Mining Cup 2018) 	Jul 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyzed Digikala data to uncover trends and support strategies for growth.</li> </ul>	
<b>Desktop Education Portal</b> 	Mar 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed a desktop application for students, enabling them to enroll in courses and access various functionalities similar to university portals, streamlining their academic activities and administrative tasks.</li> </ul>	

## Publications

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- Dadgar, S., & Prof. Fong, P. (2025). **Mining Attributed DTE Policies**. (Accepted at ESORICS conference)
  - Dadgar, S., & Dr. Neshat, M. (2025). **Technical report of the machine learning methods application for wave energy prediction**. (Accepted at SDEWES conference)
  - Dadgar, S., & Dr. Neshat, M. (2022). **A Novel Hybrid Multi-Modal Deep Learning for Detecting Hashtag Incongruity on Social Media**. (Published by Sensors Journal)
  - Dadgar, S., & Dr. Neshat, M. (2022). **Comparative Hybrid Deep Convolutional Learning Framework with Transfer Learning for Diagnosis of Lung Cancer**. (Accepted at SoCPaR conference, Published by Springer)
  - Dadgar, S., & Prof. Ghatee, M. (2021). **Checkovid: A COVID-19 Misinformation Detection System on Twitter Using Network and Content Mining Perspective**

## Awards and Achievements

<b>International Graduate Tuition Award (IGTA)</b>	Jul 2023
<b>International Graduate Recruitment Award (IGRA)</b>	Jun 2023

## Certificates

<b>Machine Learning in Production</b> - Coursera	Aug 2025
<b>Data Engineering Professional Certificate</b> - Coursera	Jul 2025
Four-course series: Intro to Data Engineering, Source Systems & Data Ingestion, Data Storage & Queries, Data Modeling & Transformation	
<b>Generative AI with Large Language Models</b> - Coursera	Jun 2025
<b>Machine Learning - Stanford University</b> - Coursera	Oct 2020
<b>Deep Learning A-Z™: Hands-On Artificial Neural Networks</b> - Udemy	Sep 2020
<b>Machine Learning A-Z™: Hands-On Python in Data Science</b> - Udemy	May 2020

## Volunteering

<b>Vice President of Finance</b> - <i>Computer Science Graduate Society (CSGS)</i>	May 2024 - May 2025
<b>Head of Informatics and Contests of Students' Scientific Association</b> - AUT	Mar 2018 - Mar 2019