

## Sina Mahdipour Saravani

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FIELDS OF INTEREST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ Natural Language Processing</li><li>◇ Deep Learning, Machine Learning</li></ul>	
EDUCATION	<p><b>Colorado State University</b>, Fort Collins, United States</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ Ph.D., Computer Science, In Progress</li></ul> <p><b>University of Nevada, Las Vegas</b>, Las Vegas, United States</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ Some Graduate-level Coursework, Computer Science</li><li>• Cumulative Grade Average: <b>4/4</b></li></ul> <p><b>Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnic)</b>, Tehran, Iran</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ B.Sc., Computer Systems Architecture, (Ranked 174 top Computer Science Universities in the World)</li><li>• Cumulative Grade Average: <b>16.61/20</b></li></ul>	<p>2020 - 2025</p> <p>2019 - 2020</p> <p>2014 - 2019</p>
RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ <b>Research Assistant, Colorado State University</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supervisor: Dr. Indrakshi Ray</li><li>• Natural Language Processing; Currently working on Claim and Counterclaim detection with regards to COVID-19 in Twitter.</li></ul></li><li>◇ <b>Graduate Assistant, University of Nevada, Las Vegas</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supervisor: Dr. Kazem Taghva</li><li>• Natural Language Processing; Worked on Named Entity Recognition for Persian using BiLSTM-CRF approaches, and Sentence Matching for English using attention-based models.</li></ul></li><li>◇ <b>Research Assistant and AI Developer, CommentMiner, Tehran, Iran</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supervisor: Mr. Asadi</li><li>• CommentMiner is a start-up working on a set of text processing services and intelligent chat bots. Tasks included: working on topic classification, profanity detection, NER, sentiment analysis.</li></ul></li></ul>	<p>2020 - Present</p> <p>2019 - 2020</p> <p>2017 - 2018</p>
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ <b>Temporary Teaching Faculty</b>, Computer Science II (CS202)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• University of Nevada, Las Vegas</li></ul></li><li>◇ <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Data Mining (CS458/658)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• University of Nevada, Las Vegas</li><li>Instructor: Dr. Kazem Taghva</li></ul></li><li>◇ <b>Teaching Assistant</b>, Embedded &amp; Real-Time Systems<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnic)</li><li>Instructor: Dr. Hamed Farbeh</li></ul></li></ul>	<p>Summer 2020</p> <p>Spring 2020</p> <p>Fall 2018</p>
HONORS AND AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◇ <b>Fully-funded Research Assistantship</b>, Colorado State University</li><li>◇ <b>UNLV Access Grant</b>, University of Nevada, Las Vegas</li><li>◇ <b>Fully-funded Graduate Assistantship</b>, University of Nevada, Las Vegas</li><li>◇ <b>Top 50 start-ups</b> in GITEX, Dubai (CommentMiner)</li><li>◇ <b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b> in ElecomStars, Tehran (CommentMiner)</li><li>◇ <b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b> in Sharif VC Cup, Tehran (CommentMiner)</li></ul>	<p>2020</p> <p>2020</p> <p>2019</p> <p>2017</p> <p>2017</p> <p>2017</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ Certificate of Attendance at <b>Deep Learning Summer School</b> Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) of University of Tehran 2018</li> <li>◇ Member of <b>Scientific Association and Olympiad Affairs</b> Amirkabir University of Technology 2015</li> <li>◇ Ranked top <b>0.2%</b> in University Entrance Nationwide Exam - Math. and Physics Among approximately <b>230000</b> applicants, Iran 2014</li> <li>◇ Ranked top <b>0.09%</b> in University Entrance Nationwide Exam - Foreign Languages Among approximately <b>129000</b> applicants, Iran 2014</li> </ul>
RELEVANT PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ <b>Claim and Counterclaim Analysis in Twitter</b>, Colorado State University</li> <li>◇ <b>Persian Named Entity Recognition</b>, University of Nevada, Las Vegas Implemented using biLSTM-CRF architectures (Python).</li> <li>◇ <b>Implementation of Convolutional and Pooling Layers of a CNN on FPGA</b>, Amirkabir University of Technology Implemented the convolutional and the max pooling functions of CNN's using Xilinx Vivado High-Level Synthesis and ran this project on a ZYBO SoC board. This design achieved up to 30 times faster throughput relative to the software code on a CPU.</li> <li>◇ <b>Activity Recognition with Wearable Sensor Dataset in Spark Platform</b>, University of Nevada, Las Vegas Implemented scalable classification solutions (Multilayer Perceptron Network, Logistic Regression, and Decision Tree) using Spark libraries for motion data of elderly people in a room, (Python, Spark).</li> <li>◇ <b>Multithreaded Persian Short-Text Classification</b>, CommentMiner Implemented using two different algorithms: Max Entropy and Naive Bayes to classify Persian comments and short messages, (Java).</li> <li>◇ <b>Telegram Chat-bot for Automatic Question Answering</b>, CommentMiner Implemented a Telegram automatic bot using indexing and similarity checking on: <a href="#">Who Is Hosting Who FAQ</a> and on <a href="#">Question-Answer Jokes</a>, (C#).</li> <li>◇ <b>Coin Image Template Matching</b>, Amirkabir University of Technology Implemented using OpenMP and CUDA platforms to parallelize the matching algorithm and to enhance the performance on GPU and CPU, (C, C++).</li> <li>◇ <b>Hand-written Digit Image Generation</b>, Amirkabir University of Technology Implemented using a Generative Adversarial Network on MNIST dataset to generate new unseen digit images, (Python Keras package).</li> </ul>
RELEVANT SKILLS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ PROGRAMMING: Java, Python, C/C#, VHDL, Verilog, Assembly</li> <li>◇ TOOLS AND FRAMEWORKS: TensorFlow, MALLET, Keras, OpenMP, CUDA, Stanford NLP, polyglot, NLTK, Latex, Docker</li> <li>◇ WEB PROGRAMMING: Familiar with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, JQuery, NodeJS</li> <li>◇ CIRCUITS, SIMULATION AND ENGINEERING SOFTWARE: Matlab, PSpice, HSpice, Xilinx ISE, Model Sim SE, Xilinx Vivado, Altium Designer, CodeVision, Atmel Studio, Proteus</li> <li>◇ SCRIPTING: Bash, Matlab</li> <li>◇ OTHERS: Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint</li> </ul>
REFERENCES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◇ <b>Indrakshi Ray</b> indrakshi.ray@colostate.edu Professor, Colorado State University</li> <li>◇ <b>Reza Safabakhsh</b> safa@aut.ac.ir Professor, Amirkabir University of Technology</li> </ul>