

# Seyed Soroush Majd

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Natural Language Processing
- Machine Learning
- Trustworthy AI
- Deep Learning

## EDUCATION

- **Shahid Beheshti University**, Tehran, Iran  
M.Sc., Artificial Intelligence, September 2021–Present  
Overall GPA: **17.86**/20, 4/4 (Calculated by iGPA, WES tools)  
**Thesis:** Improving Semantic Textual Similarity Using Deep Learning  
Supervisor: Professor Mehrnoush Shamsfard
- **Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnic)**, Tehran, Iran  
B.Sc., Biomedical Engineering - Bioelectronics, September 2016–October 2021  
Last Two Years' GPA: **17.01**/20, **3.68**/4  
Overall GPA: **16.04**/20, **3.37**/4  
**Thesis:** Heart Rate Measurement and Blood Perfusion Mapping in Parts of Human Body Skin using rPPG  
Supervisor: Professor Vahidreza Nafisi
- **Allameh Helli High School**, Tehran, Iran  
Affiliated with the National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents  
Diploma in Mathematics and Physics October 2012–June 2016  
Overall GPA: **19.68**/20

## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

### Master's in Artificial Intelligence

- Deep Learning (17.3/20)
- Machine Learning (16.8/20)
- Digital Signal Processing (19/20)
- Knowledge and Ontology Engineering (19.25/20)
- Trustworthy AI (Visiting student at University of Tehran, 19.4/20) (ABET)
- Principles of Algorithms (20/20)
- Pattern Recognition (16.75/20)
- Natural Language Processing (17/20)

### Bachelor's in Biomedical Engineering

- Linear Control Systems (19/20)
- Thesis (Project) (19/20)
- Principles of Rehabilitation (18.05/20)
- Data Structures and Algorithms (17/20)

## PUBLICATIONS

- M. Masoumi, **S. S. Majd**, M. Shamsfard, H. Beigy, "FaBERT: Pre-training BERT on Persian Blogs," arXiv preprint, 2024. (Submitted to COLM 2024). ([arXiv:2402.06617](https://arxiv.org/abs/2402.06617)).
- H. Motahari, M. Shamsfard, M. Masoumi, and **S. S. Majd**, "hmBlogs: A Comprehensive Corpus and Benchmarking Study for Persian Word Embedding and Language Modeling," 2024, (Submitted to Data Science and Engineering). (Access Upon Request)
- H. Rafiee, A. A. Abin, **S. S. Majd**, V.-V. Vu, D.-V. Tran, and H.-M. Nguyen, "Improving Generalization in Deep Metric Learning through Intra-Class FineGrained Features and Supervised Triplet Sampling," 2023, (Submitted). (Access Upon Request)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Computer Engineering, Amirkabir University of Technology

- Intro to Machine Learning, Instructor: Prof. Hamed Malek (Spring 2024)
- Computer Architecture, Instructor: Prof. Hamed Farbeh (Spring 2022)
- Microprocessors and Assembly Language, Instructor: Prof. Hamed Farbeh (Fall 2019)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Graduate Research**, Natural Language Processing Lab (August 2023–Present)

- Improving clinical Semantic Textual Similarity (STS) using metric learning. Developing training strategies to enhance model representation to overcome challenges such as limited clinical data. ([Link to Proposal in English](#)) ([Link to the Seminar Report in Persian](#))

Supervisor: Professor Mehrnoush Shamsfard

**Research Assistant**, Iranian Research Organization for Science and Technology (IROST) (April 2022–June 2022)

- Researched different rPPG signal extraction methods using videos from the skin at different light wavelengths to map blood flow below the skin with the cooperation of The Color and Visual Computing Laboratory (Colourlab) at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU).

Supervisor: Professor Vahidreza Nafisi

**Undergraduate Research**, Amirkabir University of Technology (October 2020–October 2021)

- Estimated the heart rate and mapped blood flow below the skin using facial videos with a non-invasive method called rPPG. ([Link to Thesis File in Persian](#))

Supervisor: Professor Vahidreza Nafisi

## SELECTED PROJECTS

- **Robust FAQ Question Answering using Metric Learning (Angular Loss) and SPARQL-Based Ontology Querying.**  
Knowledge and Ontology Engineering Course Final Project ([Github Link](#)) ([Report in English](#))  
Implemented in PyTorch with PyTorch Metric Learning Library
- **Evaluating Fairness, Backdoor Attack, and Out-Of-Distribution Detection in ResNet18 Image Classification.**  
Interpretable AI Course Project ([Github Link](#)) ([Report in English](#))
- **Model Interpretation using SHAP for Regression (MLP) and LIME for Image Classification (MobileNet v2).**  
Interpretable AI Course Project ([Github Link](#)) ([Report in English](#))
- **Enhancing Robustness and Generalization in ResNet18 Classification with Angular Loss on Limited Training Data (20% of CIFAR-10 dataset).**  
Interpretable AI Course Project ([Github Link](#)) ([Report in English](#))  
Implemented in PyTorch with PyTorch Metric Learning Library
- **Question Answering Using Cosine Similarity Between Input Questions and Constructed Sentences (Subject, Object, Predicate) from Ontology.**  
Knowledge and Ontology Engineering Course Final Project ([Github Link](#)) ([Report in English](#))
- **Comparing Performance of Contextual and Static Embeddings in Analogical Reasoning Tasks.**  
Natural Language Processing Course Project ([Github Link](#))  
Deep Learning Course Project ([Github Link](#))

<b>SKILLS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Programming Languages:</b> Python, MATLAB, C++, SQL</li> <li>• <b>AI and Data Science:</b> PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, PyTorch Metric Learning</li> <li>• <b>Web Development:</b> HTML, CSS</li> <li>• <b>Hardware:</b> Proteus, Arduino, Assembly, Verilog, LTspice</li> <li>• <b>Miscellaneous:</b> Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X</li> </ul>
<b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Deep Learning Course - Neuromach Academy</b>, (July 2022) The DL course provided an integrated, scientific inquiry-based curriculum with instruction in core topics of Deep Learning and Neural Networks. Such as Optimization, Regularization, Recurrent Neural Networks, Generative Models, Unsupervised Learning, and Reinforcement Learning (<a href="#">The syllabus for 2022</a>). (<a href="#">Link to certificate</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>HONORS AND AWARDS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieved <b>top 1%</b> place among all applicants of the Nationwide University Entrance Exam (Konkour) for B.Sc. in Engineering among 162,879 applicants, Iran, 2016.</li> <li>• Member of National Organization for Development of Exceptional Talents (NODET), Tehran, Iran, 2012–2016.</li> </ul>
<b>LANGUAGES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Persian:</b> Native</li> <li>• <b>English:</b> Fluent - <b>TOEFL iBT:</b> 101/120 (Reading: <b>26</b>, Listening: <b>27</b>, Speaking: <b>24</b>, Writing: <b>24</b>)</li> </ul>
<b>REFERENCES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mehrnoush Shamsfard, Associate Professor</b> Computer Science and Engineering Department, Shahid Beheshti University Email: m-shams@sbu.ac.ir</li> <li>• <b>Vahidreza Nafisi, Associate Professor</b> Biomedical Engineering Department, Amirkabir University of Technology Head of Biomedical Research Group at IROST Email: vr_nafisi@irost.org</li> <li>• <b>Hamed Farbeh, Assistant Professor</b> Computer Engineering and IT Department, Amirkabir University of Technology Email: farbeh@aut.ac.ir</li> </ul>