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Education

Master of Science – Computer Science

Sep 2022-Now

Memorial University of Newfoundland, St John's, Canada

- GPA: 4/4
- Current project: Involves training and testing Convolutional Neural Networks for image tagging in Python using PyTorch

Bachelor of Science – Computer Software Engineering

Sep 2016-2021

2022

Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran

- Graduation Date: July 2021
- Dissertation: Developing a hybrid recommender system using Deep Learning and Matrix Factorization

Experience

Teaching Assistant

Memorial University of Newfoundland, St John's, Canada

- Courses: Computational Complexity, Ad Hoc Networks, Introduction to Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms
- Helped students with their studies by answering their technical questions
- Collaborated with the course instructors
- Reviewed and marked course assignments

Research Assistant

Optimizing convolutional neural networks' computing performance for a network of autonomous vehicles

Memorial University, St John's, Canada

Supervisor: Dr. Qiang Ye

Research Assistant 2021

Using Reinforcement Learning in controlling blood glucose level

Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran

Supervisor: Dr. Ramin Vatankhah

 Collaborated with two other members of the team to develop a simulation environment based on blood glucose mechanical dynamic model in Python

- Trained and tested a Reinforcement Learning agent based on Normalized Advantage Functions using PyTorch and Optuna
- Reviewed and summarized over 30 related and similar works

Research Assistant 2020

Using Deep Learning and Matrix Factorization to develop a hybrid recommender system for movies (<u>link</u>, <u>doc</u>)
Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran

Supervisor: Dr. Reza Boostani

- Conducted data cleaning and feature engineering on MovieLens dataset
- Performed **NLP** techniques (BoW, tf-idf, LSA) for feature encoding
- Trained and tested a neural network based on Google's "Deep and Wide" method to merge sparse and dense features

Front-end Web and Mobile Developer (link,mail)

2019-2021

Mehr Ketab Ghasedak, Shiraz, Iran

- Developed android and ios mobile app using React Native (link)
- Developed an admin panel using React

Voluntary Experience

- Program Committee Member for: CANAI 2023, BigCom2023 and ICCCN2023 conferences
- Peer Reviewer for: Wireless Networks Journal

Selected Graduate Courses

- **Applied Algorithms:** 100/100
- Algorithmic Techniques in A.I.: 96/100
- Research Methods in Computer Science: 94/100

Computer Skills

- Advanced Programming: Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL
- Packages: Pytorch, SKLearn, Pandas, Numpy, React, React Native
- Tools: Git, GitHub Copilot, VS Code, LATEX, Jupyter Notebook, Google Colab

Publications

• Raheb, M. A., **Niazmand, V. R.**, Eqra, N., & Vatankhah, R. (2021). Subcutaneous insulin administration by deep reinforcement learning for blood glucose level control of type-2 diabetic patients. Journal of Computers in Biology and Medicine (<u>Link</u>)

Selected Projects

UC Berkeley Pacman game A.I. agent project series (Python) (<u>link</u>)
 Snake game Deep RL agent (<u>link</u>)
 Deep RL agent for a strategic game in Sharif A.I. Challenge (Python, TensorFlow) (<u>link</u>)

Test Scores

• IELTS Academic: Band 8 (Listening: 9, Reading: 8.5, Speaking: 7.5, Writing: 7)

o Test date: June 2021

• GRE General: **324** (Quantitative: **164**, Verbal: **160**)

Language

• Persian: Maternal

• English: Fluent (C1)