Farnoosh Hashemi

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EDUCATION

Cornell University

PhD in Information Science 2023 – present

University of British Columbia (UBC)

M.Sc. in Computer Science; GPA: 96.5/100 2020 - 2023

Advisor: Prof. Laks Lakshmanan

Sharif University of Technology

B.Sc. in Computer Engineering, Minor in Mathematics; GPA: 18.86/20 2015 - 2020

RESEARCH INTEREST

Computational Social Science Machine Learning

Social Network Analysis Data Science

PREPRINTS AND PUBLICATIONS

* Equal contribution

CAT-Walk: Inductive Hypergraph Learning via Set Walks

 A. Behrouz*, F.Hashemi*, S. Sadeghian*, M. Seltzer NeurIPS 2023

Generalized Densest Subgraph in Multiplex Networks

• A. Behrouz* and F.Hashemi*

Conference on Complex Networks & Their Applications, CNA 2023

CS-MLGCN: Multiplex Graph Convolutional Neural Network for Community Search in Multiplex Networks

A. Behrouz* and **F.Hashemi***

Conference on Information and Knowledge Management, CIKM 2022 (Best Paper Honorable Mention Award)

FirmTruss Community Search in Multilayer Networks

• A. Behrouz*, **F.Hashemi***, and L. Lakshmanan VLDB 2023

FirmCore Decomposition of Multilayer Networks

• F. Hashemi*, A. Behrouz*, and L. Lakshmanan The Web Conference, WWW 2022

Misinformation Mitigation under Differential Propagation Rates and Temporal Penalties

• M. Simpson, **F.Hashemi**, and L. Lakshmanan VLDB 2022

Green Space and Happiness of Developed Countries

• F. Hashemi, A. Behrouz, J. Yang, D.Y. Wohn, and M. Cha IEEE International Conference on Big Data and Smart Computing, BigComp 2020

Honors and Awards

• CIKM Conference Best Paper Honorable Mention Award.

2022

• Student Travel Grant from ACM The Web Conference.

2022

• Ranked 1st among all Information Technology students in Sharif University, entered in 2015.

2020

• Recipient of the scholarship for undergrad research at Institute for Basic Science, South Korea. Summer 2019

- Recipient of the scholarship for undergrad research at Max Planck Institute for Informatics. Summer 2018
- Awarded as Outstanding Student by Sharif University President.

2018

• Silver Medal in PAYA International Mathematical League.

2010

Related Course

- Graduate Courses: Machine Learning and Data Mining (100/100), Multimodal Learning with Vision, Language and Sound (100/100), Advanced Machine Learning (96/100), Deep Learning with Graphs (99/100), Social and Information Networks (89/100), Directed Studies in Social Network Analysis (95/100).
- Selected Undergraduate Courses: Artificial Intelligence (20/20), Linear Algebra (20/20), Engineering Probability and Statistics (20/20), Introduction to Game Theory (20/20), Engineering Mathematics (20/20), Design and Analysis of Algorithms (19/20), Data Structures and Algorithms (19/20), Graph Theory and Applications (18.6/20).

Selected Research Projects

Fair Influence Maximization

Canada, 2022

- Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan
 - Ongoing project in which we propose a fair influence maximization framework based on social welfare theory and optimize uniform welfare, which is defined based on the Atkinson social welfare function.

Map Conflation with Graph Neural Network

Canada, 2022

- Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan
 - Ongoing project in which we represent a map by a knowledge graph and use GNN for knowledge graph matching. Then we formulate map merging as a mixed integer linear programming problem.

Graph Neural Network for Community Discovery in Multiplex Networks

Canada, 2022

- We introduce a supervised community search model via graph neural networks in multiplex networks.
- Computational Fact Checking by Subgraph Matching over Knowledge Graphs

Canada, 2021

- Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan
 - Ongoing project in which we propose a top-k graph query engine for the computational fact checking problem that develops search algorithms for simple triple queries and makes use of them to solve general graph queries.

Community Search in Multilayer Networks

Canada 2021

- Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan
 - We present a new community model based on network homophily, using a new family of dense subgraphs, firmtruss, in multilayer networks.

An Improved Attention-based Architecture for Talking Face Generation

Canada, 2021

- Supervisor: Prof. Leonid Sigal
 - We propose an attention-based talking face generation model, using a still image of a person and an audio speech while using STFT to preprocess our audio data.

Misinformation Mitigation under Differential Propagation Rates and Temporal Penalties Canada, 2021 Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan

• We introduce a novel propagation model capturing important temporal aspects pertaining to the diffusion of and reaction to truth and misinformation and define a novel misinformation mitigation problem formulation with delay-dependent reward. We employ a sandwiching technique for providing data-dependent guarantees.

Multilayer Graph Decompositions

Canada, 2021

- Supervisor: Prof. Laks V.S. Lakshmanan
 - We present a new family of dense subgraphs in multilayer networks which unlike the state of the art core decomposition of multilayer graphs has a polynomial time algorithm. We show that this new family can be used to obtain efficient approximation algorithms for finding the densest subgraphs of multilayer networks.

Green Space and Happiness of Developed Countries

South Korea, Summer 2019

Institute for Basic Science (IBS) Supervisor: Prof. Meeyoung Cha

 In this project, by considering 30 developed countries, we show that there is a correlation and statistical relationship between urban green space and happiness, and this relationship becomes stronger among countries with higher GDP.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

• Teaching Assistant

- University of British Columbia
 - Programming for Data Science (Master of Data Science (MDS) program)

Winter 2022

- Supervised Learning I (Master of Data Science (MDS) program)

 $Winter\ 2022$

- Feature and Model Selection (Master of Data Science (MDS) program)

Winter 2022

- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Summer 2022, Winter 2021

- Machine Learning and Data Mining

Summer~2021

- Intermediate Algorithm Design and Analysis

Spring 2021, Summer 2021, Spring 2020

• Sharif University of Technology

Matrix Computations (Graduate Course, Fall 2019), Linear Algebra (Spring 2019), Artificial Intelligence (Spring 2019), Computer Simulation (Spring 2019), Data Structure and Algorithms (Spring, Fall 2019), Engineering Probability and Statistics (Spring 2018), Discrete Mathematics (Spring 2018), Advanced Programming (Fall 2017)

• Lecturer 2015 - 2016

 $\circ\;$ Farzanegan 1 High School

Teaching in classes for preparing students for the National Mathematical Olympiad.

Industrial Experience

Facebook (Meta)

Software Engineer Intern, implement a rank join-based algorithm for footway conflation.

2022

2018

Vakavic

Data Scientist in Intelligent Text Digester Project

Iran, 2019

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Python (preferred), MATLAB, Julia, and familiar with JAVA, R and C/C++
- Typesetting: LATEX
- Machine Learning Tools: PyTorch, Keras, TensorFlow, SciKit-Learn

SERVICE

• Reviewer

o VLDB Conference 2022

o ACM TKDD Journal 2022

• Technical Staff

• Scientific Staff of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Iranian Geometry Olympiad(IGO) 2014 – 2017

Technical Staff in AI Challenge held at Sharif University Of Technology

Technical Staff in Winter Seminar Series (WSS) held at Sharif University Of Technology