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Personal Information

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Education

École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne, EPFL

Lausanne, Switzerland

PH.D. IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Present

- **Integrated Neurotechnologies Laboratory (INL)**, Supervisor: Mahsa Shoaran
- **Laboratory for Information and Inference Systems (LIONS)**, Supervisor: Volkan Cevher

Sharif University of Technology

Tehran, Iran

BACHELOR OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, GPA: 3.92/4.0

September 2022

Ranked amongst the top **10%** of electrical engineering class of 2022

Publications

Space-time self attention for graph signal processing

- **Author:** Arshia Afzal, Francesco Tonin, Volkan Cevher, Mahsa Shoaran
- **Conference:** Submitted to NeurIPS, 2024

REST: Efficient and Accelerated EEG Seizure Analysis through Residual State Updates

- **Author:** Arshia Afzal, Grigorios Chrysos, Volkan Cevher, Mahsa Shoaran
- **Conference:** ICML, 2024

Challenges and opportunities of edge AI for next-generation implantable BMIs

- **Author:** Mohammadali Shaeri, Arshia Afzal, Mahsa Shoaran
- **Conference:** IEEE, AICAS 2022

Network synchronization deficits caused by dementia and Alzheimer's disease serve as topographical biomarkers: a pilot study

- **Author:** MohaamadJavad Sedghizadeh, Hamid Aghajan, Zahra Vahabi, Nahaleh Fatemi, Arshia Afzal
- **Journal:** Brain Structure and Function, 2022

Gamma phase synchronization during olfactory stimulation as a marker for Alzheimer's disease

- **Author:** Arshia Afzal, MohaamadJavad Sedghizadeh, Hamid Aghajan, Zahra Vahabi
- **Journal:** Alzheimer's & Dementia, 2021

Behavior of olfactory-related frontal lobe oscillations in Alzheimer's disease and MCI: A pilot study

- **Author:** Seyyedeh Nahaleh Fatemi, Hamid Aghajan, Zahra Vahabi, Arshia Afzal, Mohammad Javad Sedghizadeh
- **Journal:** International Journal of Psychophysiology, 2021

Honors and Awards

- August 2024** Among **the 4 candidates** selected from EPFL for Receiving **Apple** Ph.D. fellowship 2024
- August 2024** Among **the 4 candidates** selected from EPFL for Receiving **IBM** Ph.D. fellowship 2024
- June 2024** **Best Poster Award** of Neuro-X institute retreat 2024
- September 2022** **Ranked amongst the top 10%** of electrical engineering class at Sharif University of Technology
- June 2020** Selected at **E3 summer internship program** for carrying summer internship at **Integrated Neuroscience Laboratory, EPFL University**
- July 2018** **Bronze medalist of International Physics Olympiad** (IPHO-2018/Lisbon)
- Summer 2017** **Gold medalist** of the 30th national Physics Olympiad
- June 2019** Member of National Elite Foundation of Iran

Language

- Persian** Mother tongue
- English** Fluent
- French** A1 Level

Work Experience

DecentraLab (DLab)

SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Azadi Avnue, Tehran, Iran

December 2020 - September 2022

- Working on a project about Multi camera Object detection using federated learning and Edge computing funded by Iran's National Elites Foundation.
- Supervisor: Professor Mohammad Ali Maddahali

Augmented Intelligence Research Laboratory (AIRLab)

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Azadi Avnue, Tehran, Iran

June 2020 - September 2022

- Research assistant at Sharif AIRLab with focus on ML, AI, Signal Processing, and Neuroscience. Processing EEG data and extracting biomarkers for classifying AD, Normal and MCI patients.
- Supervisor: Professor Hamid Aghajan

Teaching Experiences

Teaching Assistant at EPFL

COURSE: MATHEMATICS OF DATA

Present

- Responsibility:** Designing handouts and preparing slides for part of the course

COURSE: ADVANCED MACHINE LEARNING

February 2023

- Responsibility:** Attending TA sessions and preparing homework. Also, grading final project.

Teaching Assistant at Sharif University of Technology

COURSE: SIGNALS AND SYSTEMS

Present

- Responsibility:** Head TA, managing handouts, TA sessions, Homeworks and leading other TA team members.

COURSE: NEUROSCIENCE OF LEARNING, MEMORY, AND COGNITION

January 2021

- Responsibility:** Design and grade homeworks.

COURSE: ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS

January 2022

- Responsibility:** Head TA, managing handouts, TA sessions, Homeworks and leading other TA team members.

COURSE: DIGITAL CIRCUITS AND LAB

January 2021

- Responsibility:** Attend TA sessions and handle course web page.

Teaching Physics

Young scholars club

MEMBER OF COMMITTEE

July 2020

- Responsibility:** Member of committee of national physics Olympiad, and designer of laboratory exams.

AllameHeli high school

ALLAMEHELI HIGH SCHOOL

July 2021

- Responsibility:** Teaching and tutoring younger student who wants to participate at physics Olympiad.