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#### **EDUCATION**

• Ph.D, Computer Science, University of California, Santa Cruz

Advisor: Professor C. Seshadhri Sept. 2016 - Dec. 2021 (expected) GPA: 3.87/4

Research: Large Network Analysis

- Efficient algorithms for counting subgraph patterns in large networks
- Characterizing subgraph patterns countable in linear time
- Efficient algorithms for subgraph counting in temporal networks
- BSc, Computer Engineering, Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnic)

  Sept. 2011 June 2016

  Thesis: Finding the longest path between any two vertices in rectangular grid graphs

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- Software Engineering Intern, Katana Graph Remote Summer 2021
- Research Scientist Intern, Megagon Labs (formerly RIT)

Mountain View, CA - Summer 2017

Finding similarities between sentences using absorbing random walk on common sense knowledge bases, and creating word embeddings that capture new similarity features for phrases

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Faster and Generalized Temporal Triangle Counting, via Degeneracy Ordering N. Pashanasangi, C. Seshadhri KDD, 2021
- Near-Linear Time Homomorphism Counting in Bounded Degeneracy Graphs: The Barrier of Long Induced Cycles
   S.K. Bera, N. Pashanasangi, C. Seshadhri
   Symposium on Discrete Algorithms (SODA), 2021
- Efficiently Counting Vertex Orbits of All 5-vertex Subgraphs, by EVOKE.
   N. Pashanasangi, C. Seshadhri
   ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM), 2020
- Linear time subgraph counting, graph degeneracy, and the chasm at size six S.K. Bera, N. Pashanasangi, C. Seshadhri Innovations in Theoretical Computer Science (ITCS), 2020

# HONORS AND AWARDS

- Jack Baskin and Peggy Downes-Baskin Fellowship, 2020-2021
- Best Poster Award, Data Science Day, UC Santa Cruz, 2019
- Regents Fellowship, UC Santa Cruz, 2016
- Ranked 19<sup>th</sup> in the West Asia Regional ACM-ICPC contest, Tehran, Iran, 2014
- Ranked 20<sup>th</sup> in the West Asia Regional ACM-ICPC contest, Tehran, Iran, 2013
- Bronze medal in the Iranian National Olympiad in Informatics, 2009 and 2010

ONLINE CERTIFICATE
TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

• Coursera Deep Learning Specialization

## • Teaching Assistant, UC Santa Cruz

Analysis of Algorithms - Graduate
 Introduction to Analysis of Algorithms
 2019, 2018, 2017
 Introduction to Data Structures and Algorithms
 2020, 2019, 2016

#### • Teaching Assistant, Amirkabir University of Technology

_	Data Structures	2015
_	Design of Algorithms	2014
_	Principles of Computer Programming $(C/C++)$	2012

### NOTABLE ACADEMIC PROJECTS

#### • Machine Learning

Yelp Recommender Systems: Matrix Factorization Techniques (Python) Handwritten digit recognition: neural networks on MNIST dataset (C++, Python) Airbnb Price prediction (Python)

- Natural Language Processing

  Mitigating gender bias in word embeddings (Survey)
- Artificial Intelligence Sudoku: Solving Sudoku Puzzles using Genetic Algorithm. (C++)
- Web Development
  Simple Google+: Client side and server side of a simple social networking website (HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, PHP, MySQL)
- Database Design
   Design and implementation: Relational database for a football league (MySQL),
   Non-relational database for a simple social network (MongoDB, JavaScript)

#### INVITED TALKS

Temporal Triangle Counting at UCSC Theory Reading Group
 Paper Presentation at SODA 2021 - Zoom
 Homomorphism Counting at UCSC Theory Reading Group
 Poster Presentation at WSDM 2020 - Houston
 Subgraph Counting at UCSC Theory Reading Group
 Paper Presentation at ITCS 2020 - Seattle
 Poster Presentation at UCSC Data Science Day

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

- C++, Python, Java, Javascript
- scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Keras
- $\bullet\,$  MySQL, MongoDB
- HTML, CSS, PHP
- Git, IATEX, Vim, Jupyter Notebook, Eclipse IDE, Microsoft Visual Studio, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Windows, GNU/Linux, macOS