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#### Research Interests

My research interests span the areas of **Software**, **Systems**, **AI/ML**, and **Robotics**. In particular, I am interested in developing algorithms and tools that enable building resilient systems, deployed in dynamic environments that can automatically handle goal tradeoffs, incorporate user preferences and constraints, identify causes of failures, and self-adapt to recover from failure. I integrate distributed systems, control theory, statistical learning and optimization, causality, and program analysis.

# Professional Experience

- 8/2018-\* Assistant Professor (Computer Science & Engineering), University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, US
  Directing the AISys lab: https://pooyanjamshidi.github.io/AISys/
- 5/2021–12/2021 Visiting Researcher, Google, Mountain View, CA, US (remote)
  Worked with Sugato Basu and Garima Pruthi in the AdsAI team (led by Sugato Basu)
  on Causal Representation Learning, ML Security, and Self-Supervised Learning.
- 12/2016-8/2018 **Postdoctoral Associate**, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, US
  Worked with Christian Kästner (postdoc advisor) on performance analysis of highly
  configurable software, collaborated very closely with Norbert Siegmund. Worked with
  David Garlan on meta-learning for self-adaptive systems. Involved in BRASS MARS, a
  DARPA-sponsored project, developed transfer learning methods for enabling runtime
  adaptations of mobile robotics in dynamic environments.
- 2/2015–12/2016 **Postdoctoral Associate**, *Imperial College London*, London, UK Worked on the theory of uncertainty estimation and Bayesian optimization and applied it to performance auto-tuning of big-data systems. Involved in two EU projects (DICE and MODAClouds), where I developed tools for auto-tuning Apache Hadoop and Storm.
- 9/2014–2/2015 **Postdoc**, *Dublin City University*, Dublin, Ireland Worked with Claus Pahl on developing self-learning controllers at IC4 cloud center and in collaboration with Intel (Giovani Estrada) and Microsoft (Niall Moran).
- 9/2010–9/2014 **Ph.D. Research Assistant**, *Dublin City University*, Dublin, Ireland Worked with Claus Pahl (Ph.D. advisor) on developing a cloud controller for auto-scaling in the cloud. I received a scholarship from Lero (the Irish Software Research Centre).

## EDUCATION

- 9/2010–9/2014 Ph.D., Computer Science, Dublin City University, Ireland
  - Thesis: A framework for robust control of uncertainty in self-adaptive software
  - o Adviser: Prof. Claus Pahl, External examiner: Prof. Pete Sawyer (Lancaster)
- 9/2003–2/2006 M.Sc., Industrial Engineering (Systems), Amirkabir University of Technology, Iran
  - Thesis: An integrated knowledge-based system for product design support
  - O Adviser: Dr. Saeed Mansour
- 9/1999–9/2003 B.A., Math & Computer Science, Amirkabir University of Technology, Iran

## Professional Experience: Pre Ph.D.

- 7/2008–9/2010 Research Team Lead (part-time), Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran Led the Automated Software Engineering team in a research lab (Lab Director: Dr. Fereidoon Shams); I have developed and contributed to the development of methods and tools for automating some processes in building distributed systems with service-oriented architectures.
  - 2007–2010 **Project Manager**, Negaran Co, Tehran, Iran Managed a large-scale software project on developing a distributed software system automating business processes in a charity organization that has offices in many cities. My team included 20-30 software engineers and designers. Technologies: .NET, Microsoft SQL Server, SOA compatible stacks.
  - 2006–2007 **Software Architect**, Negaran Co, Tehran, Iran Developed the enterprise architecture and prepared the ICT business planning using IBM's Business Systems Planning (BSP) and the Zachman Framework. Designed the software architecture of the core systems using an extended ADL in Visual Paradigm.
  - 2003–2006 **Software Engineer**, Rayan Pardaz Kavosh, Tehran, Iran

    Developed server-side software, and designed finance and automation software systems.

    Added several new features to the code base of a manufacturing automation system.

    Technologies: Visual C++, COM/CORBA, Socket programming

#### Honors and Awards

- UofSC's University of South Carolina's 2022 **Breakthrough Stars Award.** https://Breakthrough Stars oc.edu/uofsc/posts/2022/06/breakthrough\_star\_pooyan\_jamshidi.php
  - Junior Researcher Computer Science and Engineering Department's **Junior Researcher Award**,
    Award University of South Carolina, 2020. https://cse.sc.edu/news/news/departmental-awards
    - Distinguished ACM TOSEM Board of **Distinguished Reviewers**, August 2020. https: Reviewer //dl.acm.org/journal/tosem/distinguished-reviewers-board
    - Competition Selected as one of the two **finalists** at DCU for a fully funded research visit to IBM Research Brazil, 2014.
    - Competition Thesis in 3 national finalists, "I bet you didn't know that software can adapt itself on-the-fly", Ireland, 2013, https://goo.gl/igfKYC
  - Ph.D. Fellowship Awarded Lero Graduate School in Software Engineering (LGSSE) scholarship on the structured Ph.D. in Software Engineering, 2010-2013, \$85,000.
- Iranian University Ranked **21<sup>nd</sup>** in the national graduate-level exam among 20,000 participants, Entrance Exam 2003.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Key publications are indicated with ★ and top venues are marked with **bold** fonts. ♦ http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=41rV5koAAAAJ

#### Refereed Journal Articles

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  - ★JSys [J32] S. Ghafouri, K. Razavi, M. Salmani, A. Sanaee, T. Lorido-Botran, L. Wang, J. Doyle,

    <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, *IPA: Inference Pipeline Adaptation to Achieve High Accuracy and Cost- Efficiency*, Journal of Systems Research (JSys), 2023. [revision]
- ★TOSEM [J31] V. Cortellessa, J.A. Diaz-Pace, D. Di Pompeo, S. Frank, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, M. Tucci, A. van Hoorn, *Introducing Interactions in Multi-Objective Optimization of Software Architectures*, ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology (TOSEM), 2023. [revision]
  - **★JAIR** [J30] M.A. Javidian, O. Pandey, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, *Scalable Causal Transfer Learning*, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR), 2023. [revision]
  - ★RA-L [J29] A. Hossen, S. Kharade, B. Schmerl, J. Cámara, J. M. O'Kane, E. C. Czaplinski, K. A. Dzurilla, D. Garlan, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, CaRE: Finding Root Causes of Configuration Issues in Highly-Configurable Robots, IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters (RA-L), 2023 (Also appearing at IROS'23).
  - ★JAIR [J28] S. Iqbal, J. Su, L. Kotthoff, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, FlexiBO: Cost-Aware Multi-Objective Optimization of Deep Neural Networks, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR), 2023.
  - **★JAIR** [J27] M. Javidian, M. Valtorta, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, AMP Chain Graphs: Minimal Separators and Structure Learning Algorithms, Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research (JAIR), 2020. doi:10.1613/jair.1.12101 [SJR rating: **Q1**]
  - PCCP [J26] K. McCullough, T. Williams, K. Mingle, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, J. Lauterbach, *High-throughput Experimentation meets Artificial Intelligence: A New Pathway to Catalyst Discovery*, Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics (PCCP), 2020. doi:10.1039/D0CP00972E [SJR rating: **Q1**]
  - ★ASE [J25] M. Velez, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, F. Sattler, N. Siegmund, S. Apel, C. Kaestner, *ConfigCrusher: White-Box Performance Analysis for Configurable Systems*, Springer Automated Software Engineering, 2020. doi:10.1007/s10515-020-00273-8 [SJR rating: **Q1**]
- IEEE **TSE** [J24] R. Krishna, V. Nair, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, T. Menzies, *Whence to Learn? Transferring Knowledge in Configurable Systems using BEETLE*, IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE), 2020. doi:10.1109/TSE.2020.2983927 [SJR rating: **Q1**]
- ★IEEE N. C Mendonça, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, D. Garlan, and C. Pahl, *Developing Self-Adaptive Mi*-SOFTWARE [J23] croservice Systems: Challenges and Directions, IEEE Software, 2019. [SJR rating: Q1]
- IEEE SOFTWARE J. Aldrich, J. Biswas, J. Camára, D. Garlan, A. Guha, J. Holtz, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, C. Kaestner,
   [J22] C. Le Goues, A. Mohseni-Kabir, I. Ruchkin, S. Samuel, B. Schmerl, C. Steven Timperley,
   M. Veloso, and I. Voysey, *Model-based Adaptation for Robotics Software*, IEEE Software,
   2019. [SJR rating: Q1]

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- IEEE SOFTWARE C. Trubiani, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, J. Cito, W. Shang, Z.M. Jiang, M. Borg, *Performance issues?*[J20] Hey DevOps, mind the uncertainty!, IEEE Software, 2018. [SJR rating: **Q1**]
- IEEE SOFTWARE P. Jamshidi, C. Pahl, N. Mendonça, J. Lewis, S. Tilkov, Microservices: The Journey

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- IEEE **TCC** [J15] C. Pahl, A. Brogi, J. Soldani, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, Cloud Container Technologies: a State-of-the-Art Review, IEEE Transactions on Cloud Computing (TCC). 2017 doi:10.1109/TCC.2017.2702586. [SJR rating: **Q1**]
  - WILEY JSEP C Pahl, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, D Weyns, Cloud architecture continuity: Change models and [J14] change rules for sustainable cloud software architectures, Wiley Journal of Software: Evolution and Process (JSEP), 29(2), 2017 doi:10.1002/smr.1849. [SJR rating: Q2]
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  - IEEE Systems A. Khoshkbarforoushha, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, M. Fahmideh, L. Wang, R. Ranjan, *Metrics for BPEL Process Reusability Analysis in a Workflow System*, IEEE Systems Journal, 1 10 (2014). doi:10.1109/JSYST.2014.2317310, [SJR rating: **Q1**]
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- ★EuroSys [C39] S. Iqbal, R. Krishna, M.A. Javidian, B. Ray, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, *Unicorn: Reasoning about Configurable System Performance through the lens of Causality*, In Proc. of European Conference on Computer Systems (EuroSys), 2022 [Acceptance rate: 25%(42/162); CORE rating: rank **A**\*].
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  - ★ICSE [C37] M. Velez, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, N. Siegmund, S. Apel, C. Kaestner, On Debugging the Performance of Configurable Software Systems: Developer Needs and Tailored Tool Support, In Proc. of International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE), 2022 [Acceptance rate: 26%(197/751); CORE rating: rank A\*].
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- CBSE [C7] M. Ghafari, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, S. Shahbazi, H. Haghighi, *An architectural approach to ensure globally consistent dynamic reconfiguration of component-based systems*, In Proc. of the 15th ACM SIGSOFT symposium on Component-Based Software Engineering (CBSE), Bertinoro, Ital, (Sept. 2012). [Acceptance rate: 29%; CORE rating: rank **A**]
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  - SCC [C4] A. Kazemi, A. Nasirzadeh, A. Rostampour, H. Haghighi, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, F. Shams, *Measuring the Conceptual Coupling of Services Using Latent Semantic Indexing*, In Proc. of IEEE International Conference on Services Computing (SCC), Washington, DC, USA, (Jul. 2011). [Acceptance rate: 17%; CORE rating: rank A]
- SERVICES [C3] A. Kazemi, A. Rostampour, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, E. Nazemi, F. Shams, A. Nasirzadeh, *A Genetic Algorithm Based Approach to Service Identification*, In Proc. of IEEE World Congress on Services (SERVICES), Washington, DC, USA, (Jul. 2011). [Acceptance rate: 17%; CORE rating: rank A]
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    - FC [TR3] S. Farokhi, <u>P. Jamshidi</u>, I. Brandic, E. Elmroth, Self-adaptation Challenges for Cloud-based Applications: A Control Theoretic Perspective, International Workshop on Feedback Computing, (2015).
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     Evaluation Corporation (SPEC), (Aug. 2015), SPEC-RG-2015-01.

# SOFTWARE ARTIFACTS

- Github Almost all listed software is developed collaboratively (LD: lead developer; CC: contributor). AISys GitHub Organization; My personal GitHub Account; We also actively maintain several GitHub Organizations associated with our major projects, please find the links on my homepage.
- CC [S17] Unicorn, Unicorn is a framework for reasoning about system performance using Causal AI, Python, & https://github.com/softsys4ai/unicorn
- ★CC [S17] **ATHENA**, is a Framework for defending machine learning systems against adversarial attacks, Python, https://github.com/softsys4ai/athena
  - LD [S16] robot\_control, robot\_control is a set of controllers and actuators that run, control, and interface the ROS-enabled robots, as a part of DARPA BRASS project., C++, \$\infty\$ https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/robot\_control
  - LD [S15] brass\_gazebo\_battery, brass\_gazebo\_battery is a Gazebo plugin that simulates an open-circuit battery model. This is a fairly extensible and reusable battery plugin for any kind of Gazebo-compatible robots., C++, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/brass\_gazebo\_battery
  - LD [S14] GenPerf, GenPerf uses symbolic regression to synthetically generate target performance influence models with different similarities to the source model. GenPerf is used to generate synthetic data for evaluating our TL approach., Python, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/GenPerf
  - LD [S13] AutoTL, This tool enables an adaptive sampling that learns from multiple exclusive information origins including influential configuration options, their interactions, and performance distribution of the configurable software, Python, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/autotl
  - LD [S12] model-learner, This tool enables discovering a black box model using regression models and transfer learning. This was used in the BRASS project to enable battery charge/recharge in a self-adaptive loop, Python, https://github.com/cmu-mars/model-learner
  - LD [S11] autoscaling-bigdata, A library for application level runtime monitoring and runtime change actuators and auto-scaling controllers for Big Data technologies such as Apache Storm, Spark, Hadoop, Matlab+REST APIs, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/autoscaling-bigdata
  - LD [S10] **TL4CO**, A Machine Learning tool for finding the optimum configuration of Big Data systems by transferring the learning from other system versions in DevOps context, Matlab+Java, https://github.com/dice-project/DICE-Configuration-TL4CO
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  - LD [S8] ElasticBench, A cloud application framework to plug-in auto-scaling logic and experimentally evaluate controllers in a feedback control loop on platform as a service environment on Microsoft Azure, .NET, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/ElasticBench
  - CC [S7] spark-suite, A suite for automated configuration testing, automated topology deployment and a benchmarking tool for Apache Spark, Java, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/spark-suite

- CC [S6] **OSTIA**, A parser to elicit and represent Storm topologies by reverse engineering Storm-based programs, Ruby, S https://github.com/maelstromdat/OSTIA
- LD [S5] pong-engine, An engine that runs pong games on Matlab and paddles are controlled by reinforcement learner agents. I implemented this piece of software for a reinforcement learning course, Matlab, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/pong-engine
- CC [S4] MDLoad, MDload is a model-driven workload generation tool that automatically generates requests to a web application by simulating a set of users, Java+Matlab, https://github.com/imperial-modaclouds?query=modaclouds-mdload
- LD [S3] Fuzzy-Q-Learning, An implementation of Fuzzy Q-Learning for making cloud auto-scaling more intelligent through online policy learning, Matlab, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/Fuzzy-Q-Learning
- LD [S2] RobusT2Scale, A cloud auto-scaler based on fuzzy reasoning, Matlab, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/RobusT2Scale
- LD [S1] **ASIM**, A program that automatically identifies services out of business processes, Java, \$\ \text{https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/ASIM}\$

## DATA

I release the data that I collect for my research to the public community for replication.

- [D3] ATHENA, The dataset (30GB) associated with ATHENA—a framework based on Diverse Weak Defenses for building Adversarial Defense., § https://zenodo.org/record/4141383
- [D2] ASE 2017, Transfer Learning for Performance Modeling of Configurable Systems: An Exploratory Analysis, Subject systems: SaC, SQLite, SPEAR, X264, https://github.com/pooyanjamshidi/ase17
- [D1] MASCOTS 2016, An Uncertainty-Aware Approach to Optimal Configuration of Stream Processing Systems, Subject systems: Apache Storm, Apache Spark, Apache Hadoop, Apache Cassandra, https://zenodo.org/record/56238

## FUNDING

- NSF EAGER "Collaborative Research: EAGER: Towards a Design Methodology for Software-Driven Sustainability", Agency: NSF, Award Amount: \$300,000, Project Period: 09/01/2022 08/31/2023
  - Role: Co-PI. PI: Eunsuk Kang (Carnegie Mellon University); other co-PIs: Mehdi Mirakhorli and Callie Babbitt (Rochester Institute of Technology).
- NSF MEDIUM "Collaborative Research: SHF: Medium: Causal Performance Debugging for Highly-Configurable Systems", Agency: NSF, Award Amount: \$1,200,000, Project Period: 10/01/2021 09/30/2024
  Role: PI. Co-PIs: Christian Kaestner (CMU) and Baishakhi Ray (Columbia).
  - NSF Large "RTG: Mathematical Foundation of Data Science at University of South Carolina", Agency: NSF, Award Amount: \$1,996,609, Project Period: 08/01/2021 07/31/2026

    Role: Co-PI. Co-PIs (colleagues in the Math department): Wolfgang Dahmen, Linyuan Lu (PI), Wuchen Li, and Qi Wang.
  - NSF SMALL "SmartSight: an AI-Based Computing Platform to Assist Blind and Visually Impaired People", Agency: NSF, Award Amount: \$499,650, Project Period: 10/01/2020 10/01/2023
    Role: PI. Co-PIs: Mohsen Amini Salehi (UL).
    - NASA "RASPBERRY SI: Resource Adaptive Software Purpose-Built for Extraordinary Robotic Research Yields Science Instruments", Agency: NASA, Award Amount: \$300,000, Project Period: 10/01/2020 10/01/2023 Role: PI. Co-PIs: David Garlan (CMU, co-I), Bradley Schmerl (CMU, co-I), Javier Camara (York, collaborator), Ellen Czaplinski, Katherine Dzurilla (University of Arkansas, consultant), Matt DeMinico (NASA Glenn Research Center, consultant), Mike Dalal (NASA Ames, testbed), Hari Nayar (NASA JPL, testbed).
    - NASA "A Generic Data-Driven Framework via Physics-Informed Deep Learning", Agency: NASA, Award Amount: \$100,000, Project Period: 08/01/2020 08/01/2021
      - Role: Co-PI. PI: Lang Yuan (Mechanical Engineering).
    - NASA "Robust Software Testing of Autonomous Aerospace Robotic Systems Using Transfer Learning", Agency: NASA, Award Amount: \$50,000 (25,000 cost share), Project Period: 05/07/2019 05/06/2020 Role: PI; Co-PIs: Gregory Gay, Jason O'Kane.
- DARPA-DOD- "Online Transfer Learning and Self-Adaptation of Robots", Agency:
  AFOSR Air Force Office of Science Research (AFOSR) and Defense Advanced Research
  - (SUB-AWARD) Projects Agency (DARPA), Award Amount: \$114,741 (sub-award only), Project Period: 09/01/2018 08/31/2019
    Role: PI (subaward); Co-PIs: Jonathan Aldrich (PI), David Garlan, Christian Kaestner,
    - ROBLOX "Unrestricted Gift", Agency: Roblox Corporation, Award Amount: \$20,000, Fund Approved: May 2023
      - Role: PI. Collaborator: Tania Lorido-Botran (Roblox).

Claire Le Goues, and Manuela Veloso.

GOOGLE "GCP research credits for Adversarial ML", Agency: Google, Award Amount: \$20,000, Project Period: 09/01/2019 - 06/01/2020

Role: PL

BIG DATA HEALTH

"Identifying Optimal Vaccine Promotion Messages for Vulnerable
SCIENCE CENTER

(INTERNAL)

Sity of South Carolina, Award Amount: \$30,000, Project Period: 08/16/2021 -

L) sity of South Carolina, Award Amount: \$30,000, Project Period: 08/16/2021 - 08/16/2022

Role: Co-PI, PI: Gregory Trevors

ASPIRE-I "Optimizing Energy Consumption of Deep Neural Networks for Intel-

(INTERNAL) ligent Learning Systems", Agency: University of South Carolina ASPIRE-I, Award Amount: \$15,000, Project Period: 07/01/2019 - 09/30/2020 Role: PI

Magellan "Multi-stage Compression of Deep Neural Networks through Pruning

SCHOLAR AWARD and Knowledge Distillation", Agency: UofSC Office of Undergraduate

(INTERNAL) Research, Award Amount: **\$2,750**, Project Period: 01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020 Role: PI.

Magellan "Ensemble of Many Weak Defenses: Defending Deep Neural Networks

SCHOLAR AWARD Against Adversarial Attacks", Agency: UofSC Office of Undergraduate

(INTERNAL) Research, Award Amount: \$2,750, Project Period: 01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020 Role: PI.

SURF (INTERNAL) "Adversarial Machine Learning", Agency: USC Honors College SURF Grant, Award Amount: \$2,000, Project Period: 10/15/2019 - 06/30/2020 Role: PI.

McNAIR "Bayesian Structure Learning", Agency: University of South Carolina (INTERNAL) McNair Junior Fellows, Award Amount: \$3,000, Project Period: 05/15/2019 - 08/16/2019
Role: PI.

SURF (INTERNAL) "Neurofeedback-based Reinforcement Learning", Agency: USC Honors College SURF Grant, Award Amount: \$2,600, Project Period: 10/15/2018 - 06/30/2019

Role: PI.

## Media Coverage and Press Release

Breakthrough An interview with the University of South Carolina's breakthrough magainterview zine: https://sc.edu/uofsc/posts/2022/06/breakthrough\_star\_pooyan\_ jamshidi.php

Podcast Interview Dr. Alireza Dehghani, in his recent podcast, interviews me about my journey from undergraduate to becoming an assistant professor at UofSC, August 2022, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZZarpnDKOYO

Interview with Learn math if you want to get into AI, June 2022, https://www.youtube.com/Bungee Pi Part 2 watch?v=-Fkvl80in8I

Interview with Breakthrough Ideas in Artificial Intelligence and Mathematics, June 2022, https: Bungee Pi Part 1 //www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdwQXW2z1bs

Causal AI for Research intends to develop a shift in testing and debugging for modern machine Systems learning systems, January 2022, https://www.sc.edu/study/colleges\_schools/engineering\_and\_computing/news\_events/news/2022/research\_intends\_to\_develop\_a\_shift\_in\_testing\_and\_debugging\_for\_modern\_machine\_learning\_systems.php

AI for Social Good A new way to 'see', June 2021, https://www.sc.edu/uofsc/posts/2021/06/smart\_sight.php

AI in Space USC researcher wants to train robots for NASA deep space missions, December 2020, https://www.postandcourier.com/columbia/news/usc-researcher-wants-to-train-robots-for-nasa-deep-space-missions/article\_93d9bb3c-3afa-11eb-bd4c-7700ac496485.html

AI in Space UofSC to develop AI-based autonomous systems for space missions, November 2020, https://www.sc.edu/study/colleges\_schools/engineering\_and\_computing/news\_events/news/2020/jamshidi\_ai\_space.php

AISys Lab Media coverage of the AISys lab, June 2019, https://sc.edu/study/colleges\_schools/engineering\_and\_computing/news\_events/news/2019/jamshidiai.php

# INVITED TALKS, LECTURES AND SEMINARS

TALKS The slides of my recent talks are available at: https://pooyanjamshidi.github.io/talks/

ICSE/SEAMS'23 Learning from Valerie Issarny: Insights Gained from Program Co-Chairing SEAMS'23, Melbourne, 2023

OKTOBERBEST **Experiential Learning by Building Real-World AI Systems**, Oktoberbest: A Symposium On Teaching, 2022

NASA JPL Understanding and Explaining the Root Causes of Performance Faults with Causal AI: A Path towards Building Dependable Computer Systems, NASA JPL, Pasadena, CA, 2022

EXPLORECSR Causal AI for Systems, exploreCSR: Democratizing AI, 2022

IEEE SMDS Causal AI for Systems, Virtual, 2021

STANFORD MLSYS Causal AI for Systems, Virtual, 2021

DAGSTUHL Causal Inference for Performance Analyses and Debugging of Server-Seminar less Systems, Virtual, 2021

ASE TUTORIAL Machine Learning meets Software Performance, 2021

University of ATHENA: A Framework based on Diverse Weak Defenses for Building

Louisiana Adversarial Defense, Virtual, November 2020

CMU ATHENA: A Framework based on Diverse Weak Defenses for Building Adversarial Defense, Virtual, September 2020

UPENN ATHENA: A Framework based on Diverse Weak Defenses for Building Adversarial Defense, Virtual, September 2020

GOOGLE Ensembles of Many Diverse Weak Defenses can be Strong: Defending HEADQUARTERS Deep Neural Networks Against Adversarial Attacks, Virtual, September 2020

AI SUMMIT AT Robust Causal Transfer Learning, Virtual, September 2020 SILICON VALLEY

Augusta Ensembles of Many Diverse Weak Defenses can be Strong: Defending University Deep Neural Networks Against Adversarial Attacks, Augusta, Georgia, February 2020

FURMAN Transfer Learning for Performance Analysis of Machine Learning

University Systems, Greenville, SC, April 2019

SC EPSCOR Transfer Learning for Performance Analysis of Machine Learning

Conference Systems, Greenville, SC, April 2019

RE-WORK DEVOPS Machine Learning meets DevOps: Transfer Learning for Performance Summit Optimization, Houston, Texas, November 2018

SATURN **Architectural Tradeoffs in Learning-Based Software**, *Plano*, *Texas*, May 2018

NC STATE Learning Software Performance Models for Dynamic and Uncertain University Environments, Raleigh, US, 2017

SPEC DEVOPS An Exploratory Analysis of Transfer Learning for Performance Model-RG ing of Configurable Systems, Online talk, RG DevOps Performance Working Group, 2017 Dagstuhl Machine Learning meets DevOps, Software Performance Engineering in

Seminar the DevOps World, Dagstuhl, Germany, 2016

BERN UNIVERSITY An Uncertainty-Aware Approach to Optimal Configuration of Stream Processing Systems, Bern, Switzerland, 2016

SPEC Devops An Uncertainty-Aware Approach to Optimal Configuration of Stream

RG Processing Systems, Online talk, RG DevOps Performance Working Group, 2016

SPEC DEVOPS Microservices Architecture Enables DevOps: Migration to a Cloud-

RG Native Architecture, Online talk, RG DevOps Performance Working Group, 2016

NC4 CONFERENCE **DevOps:** Migration to a Cloud-Native Architecture, The National Conference on Cloud Computing & Commerce, Dublin, Ireland, 2016

Sharif Fuzzy Self-Learning Controllers for Elasticity Management in Dynamic

University Cloud Architectures, Tehran, Iran, 2016

NII SHONAN Fuzzy Self-Learning Controllers for Elasticity Management in Dynamic

MEETING Cloud Architectures, National Institute of Informatics (NII), Controlled Adaptation of Self-adaptive Systems (CASaS), Shonan, Japan, 2016

TRINITY COLLEGE Self-learning Cloud Controllers, Trinity College Dublin, 2015

UFC UNIVERSITY **Self-learning Cloud Controllers**, Federal University of Ceará, Fortaleza, Brazil, 2015

UECE Cloud Migration Patterns: A Multi-Cloud Architectural Perspective,

University Ceará State University, Fortaleza, Brazil, 2015

NC4 CONFERENCE Fuzzy Q-Learning for Knowledge Evolution, The National Conference on Cloud Computing & Commerce, Dublin, Ireland, 2015

SPEC DEVOPS **Self-learning Cloud Controllers**, Online talk, RG DevOps Performance RG Working Group, 2015

Dagstuhl Fuzzy Control Meets Software Engineering, Control Theory meets Software

Seminar Engineering, Dagstuhl, Germany, 2014

# TEACHING

#### CURRENT TEACHING

- Fall 2021-\* CSCE 212: Introduction to Computer Architecture, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, Instructor, https://pooyanjamshidi.github.io/csce212/
- Fall 2018-\* **CSCE 585: Machine Learning Systems**, *University of South Carolina*, *Columbia*, *SC*, Instructor, https://pooyanjamshidi.github.io/mls/
- Spring 2019-\* **CSCE 580: Artificial Intelligence**, *University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC*, Instructor, https://pooyanjamshidi.github.io/csce580/

## PAST TEACHING

- 4/2018 S17-655 Architectures for Software Systems (CMU Software Engineering Masters Program), Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, US, A guest lecture on Machine Learning for the Software Architect
- 11/2016 SMA: Software Modeling and Analysis (Oscar Nierstrasz's course), Bern University, Switzerland, A guest lecture on Architecture Extraction
- 10/2015–1/2016 424H Learning in Autonomous Systems, Imperial College London, TA
- 11/2014–12/2014 **CA674 Cloud Architecture**, *Dublin City University*, Lectures shared with Claus Pahl
  - 3/2014–6/2014 **CA668 E-commerce Infrastructure**, *Dublin City University*, Lectures shared with Claus Pahl
    - 10/2017 Foundations of Software Engineering (Christian Kästner and Claire Le Goues), Carnegie Mellon University, Guest lecture on Microservices
  - 9/2008-6/2010 Software Engineering, Tarbiat Moallem University, Lecturer
  - 9/2001-6/2003 Introduction to C/C++, Amirkabir University of Technology, TA
  - 9/2002-6/2003 Data Structures, Amirkabir University of Technology, TA

	Mentorship
	Postdocs
2022-	Sonam Kharde
	Mehdi Yaghouti
	Mohammad Ali Javidian
	Dogmon A. Charles
	Doctoral Students
2018-2023	<b>Shahriar Iqbal</b> , Thesis: Performance Debugging, Optimization, and Modeling of Configurable Computer Systems
2023-	Rasool Sharifi
2021-	Abir Hossen
2021-	Fatehmeh Ghofrani
2021-2023	Hamed Damirchi
2019-2022	Jianhai Su
2019-2022	Ying Meng
2022-2023	Nasrin Imanpour
2020-2021	Shuge Lei
	PhD Interns
2022	Saeid Ghafouri, Queen Mary University of London
	Undergraduate Students (Current)
4/2023-	Kartik Singhal, IIIT, Delhi, India
1/2022-	Samuel Whidden
	MASTERS STUDENTS (COMPLETED)
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2019-2020	Peter Mourfield
	Undergraduate Students (completed)
9/2020-4/2023	Kimia Noorbakhsh, Now: PhD student at MIT

- 9/2020-4/2023 Kimia Noorbakhsh, Now: PhD student at MIT 3/2022-12/2022 Hung-Tien Huang, Now: PhD student at UNC Chapel Hill
- 4/2020-6/2022 Om Pandey, Now: Graduate student at Texas Austin
- 4/2021-2/2022 Ahana Biswas, Now: Graduate student at Pitt
- 5/2021-8/2021 Madelyn Khoury, REU
- 5/2021-8/2021 Bruce Brasseur, REU
- 9/2020-4/2021 Cody Shearer, RA, Now: Software Developer at Krumware
- 8/2018-6/2019 Nathan Stofik, RA
- 12/2018-8/2019 Tristan Klintworth, RA
- 8/2019-5/2020 Blake Edwards, RA, Now: AI Technologist at Boeing Research & Technology
- 8/2019-5/2020 Stephen Baione, RA, Now: Systems Design Engineer at AMD
- 5/2019-8/2019 Joshua Ravishankar, REU

## Pre-college Interns

- 6/2021- Lane Stanley, Heathwood Hall High School, Columbia, SC
- 2/2021- Rohan Bafna, Riverside High School, Greenville, SC
- 4/2021- Rohit Rajagopalan, Southside High school, Greenville, SC

# RESEARCH CO-MENTORING

- 2023 Carnegie Mellon University, REU Program, Haesue Baik (first-year undergrad at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor), co-advised by Rohan Padhye, Vasudev Vikram (CMU PhD Student)
  Understanding coverage guided fuzzing, understanding the performance of configurable
  - Understanding coverage guided fuzzing, understanding the performance of configurable systems, and designing custom fuzzing functions.
- 2022 Carnegie Mellon University, REU Program, Janhvi Somaiya (first-year undergrad at Rice University), co-advised by Christian Kaestner (CMU), Sonam Kharde (USC postdoc), Shahriar Iqbal (USC PhD student)
  On identifying configuration-specific performance bugs with fuzzing.
- 2023 Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), M.Sc. thesis, Markos Viggiato de Almeida
  On the Investigation of Software Development and Evolution Practices.
- 2017-2018 **Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG)**, *M.Sc. thesis*, Markos Viggiato de Almeida
  On the Investigation of Software Development and Evolution Practices.
  - 2018 Carnegie Mellon University, Undergraduate research project, Students: Alex Gao, Connor Lin, Jason Bak, Sander Lanbo Shi, Yunjie Su Design space explorations of deep neural network architectures for embedded devices.
  - 2017 Carnegie Mellon University, REU Program, Changming Xu, co-advised by Christian Kaestner (CMU)
    Can you fool a self-adaptive software system?
  - 2016–17 **Imperial College London**, *B.Eng. project*, Ka Yan Wong Experimental study of performance variations in big data systems.
    - 2016 Imperial College London, M.Eng. project, Yifan Zhai A DevOps canary testbed for Big Data application testing.
    - 2015 **Imperial College London**, B.Eng. final project, Zhang Haoran, Qiu Jiaxin, Abdeljallal Fahd, Lu Cong, Chadjiminas Ioannis, Liu Yao A suite for automated configuration testing and benchmarking for Apache Spark.
    - 2016 Imperial College London, M.Eng. final project, Xidi Chen A suite for automated configuration testing and benchmarking for Apache Hadoop.
- 2014–2015 **Dublin City University**, *M.Sc. practicum*, Robert Mason Auto-scaling in OpenStack cloud.
  - 2014 **Dublin City University**, MS.c. practicum, Brian C. Carroll Auto-scaling in the cloud: evaluating a control-based technique.
  - 2014–15 **Sharif University of Technology**, *M.Sc. thesis*, Armin Balalaie Migrating to cloud-native architectures using microservices.

2008–10 **Shahid Beheshti University**, *M.Sc. thesis*, Ali Rostampour, Ali Kazemi A metric for measuring the degree of entity-centric service cohesion.

## PhD Committee Member

- 2023 **Jingzhi Gong**, Advisor: Tao Chen, Loughborough University, UK, Pushing the Boundary: Specialising Deep Configuration Performance Learning
- 2023 Mohammed E. Elbtity, Advisor: Ramtin Zand, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Approximate Computing and In-Memory Computing: The best of the two worlds!
- 2023 Bharat Joshi, Advisor: Ioannis Rekleitis, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Robust Underwater State Estimation and Mapping
- 2023 **Luc Lesoil**, *Advisor: Mathieu Acher*, INSA Rennes, France, Deep Software Variability for Resilient Performance Models of Configurable Systems
- 2022 Manas Gaur, Advisor: Amit Sheth, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Knowledge-Infused Learning
- 2022 **Aron Hein**, *Advisor: Homayoun Valafar*, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
- 2022 **Olajide H. Bamidele**, Advisor: Andreas Heyden, University of South Carolina, Chemical Engineering
- 2021 Rasika Jayarathna, Advisor: Jochen Lauterbach, University of South Carolina, Chemical Engineering
- 2021 Alireza Salahirad, Advisor: Greg Gay, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Empirical Studies on Automated Software Testing Practices
- 2020 Elizabeth Stewart, Advisor: Brett Sherman, University of South Carolina, Philosophy Alexa, Should I Trust You? A Theory of Trustworthiness for Artificial Intelligence
- 2020 Nare Karapetyan, Advisor: Ioannis Rekleitis, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Area Coverage Path Planning Problem in Aquatic Environments
- 2020 Hazhar Rahmani, Advisor: Jason O'Kane, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Automata theoretic approaches to planning in robotics: combinatorial filter minimization, planning to chronicle, and temporal logic planning with soft specifications
- 2020 William Hoskins, Advisor:, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
- 2019 Mohammad Ali Javidian, Advisor: Marco Valtorta, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering Advanced Topics in Probabilistic Graphical Models: Properties, Learning Algorithms, and Applications
- 2019 Hussein Almulla, Advisor: Greg Gay, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
   Learning How to Search: Generating Effective Test Cases Through Adaptive Fitness Function Selection

- 2019 **Shervin Ghasemlou**, *Advisor: Jason O'Kane*, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
  - Algorithmic Robot Design: Label Maps, Procrustean Graphs, and the Boundary of Non-destructiveness
- 2018 **Hayder Dawood Abbood**, Advisor: Andrea Benigni, University of South Carolina, Electrical Engineering
  - Data-Driven Modeling Through Power Hardware in the Loop Experiments: A PV Micro-Inverter Example
- 2018 **Jason Moulton**, Advisor: Ioannis Rekleitis, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
  - A Novel and Inexpensive Solution to Build Autonomous Surface Vehicles Capable of Negotiating Highly Disturbed Environments

# M.S. COMMITTEE MEMBER

- 2020 **Noah Geveke**, *Advisr: Marco Valtorta*, University of South Carolina, Computer Science and Engineering
  - On the Robustness of Bayesian Network Learning Algorithms against Malicious Attacks

## INTERNAL SERVICE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Department Graduate Committee, 2018-\*

Department Faculty Search Committee, 2019–2020

University SPIRE grant review committee, 2019–2020

University Magellan review committee, 2020-2021

University Carolina Scholar mentor, 2019-\*

University Mentor for underrepresented minority students in an R25 NIH/NIAID funded

program, total award:\$1.565m, 06/23-05/28

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

#### Co-Founding Initiatives

JSys Co-founded JSys (Journal of Systems Research), a new diamond openaccess journal with Vijay Chidambaram, Neeraja Yadwadkar, Ivo Jimenez, and Romain Jacob, https://www.jsys.org/

Gamecock Robotics Mentoring the Gamecock Robotics team, a student-led team for a competitive robotics league called Vex Robotics, \hfootnote{\sigma} http://gamecockrobotics.github.io/

SPEC RG Electecd as the vice chair of SPEC RG Predictive Data Analytics,

https://research.spec.org/working-groups/rg-predictive-data-analytics/

EDITORIAL

ACM TOSEM Associate Editor at ACM TOSEM, ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology, & https://dl.acm.org/journal/tosem/editorial-board

JSys Co-Editor at JSys (Journal of Systems Research), Two Areas: Computer Architecture (with Devashree Tripathy at IIT Bhubaneswar) and Configuration Management for Systems (with Tianyin Xu at UIUC), thttps://www.jsys.org/board

IEEE Software Special Issue on Microservices, Guest editor, Coedited with James Lewis (ThoughtWorks), Stefan Tilkov (innoQ), Claus Pahl, and Nabor Mendonça, This special issue attracted 26 submissions, a record number in IEEE Software, https://www.computer.org/software-magazine/2017/02/10/microservices-call-for-papers/

#### PROGRAM CO-CHAIR

SEAMS 2023 The International Symposium on Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems, Program Co-Chair with Valerie Issarny (update: Program Co-Chair with Radu Calinescu and Raffaela Mirandola).

#### Area Chair

AutoML-Conf 2023 2nd International Conference on Automated Machine Learning.

AutoML-Conf 2022 1st International Conference on Automated Machine Learning.

Co-organizer

ACSOS 2024 IEEE International Conference on Autonomic Computing and Self-Organizing Systems, Demo & Poster Co-Chair. **SEAMS 2023** The International Symposium on Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems, Program Co-Chair. MLArchSys at ML for Computer Architecture and Systems, Co-Organizer and PC. ISCA 2023 SEAMS 2022 The International Symposium on Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems, social media chair. ENSEMBLE 2019 2nd International Workshop on Ensemble-based Software Engineering for Modern Computing Platforms (co-located with ESEC/FSE 2019), co-chair. SEAMS 2017 The International Symposium on Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems, publicity and proceedings chair (Co-organized with David Garlan, Bashar Nuseibeh, Javier Camára, and Nicolás D'Ippolito). Cloud Ways 2017 International Workshop on Cloud Adoption and Migration, Workshop co-chair (Co-organized with Claus Pahl, and Nabor Mendonça). Dagstuhl 2016 Software Performance Engineering in the DevOps World, Co-organized the seminar with Andre van Hoorn, Philipp Leitner, and Ingo Weber. CloudWays 2016 International Workshop on Cloud Adoption and Migration, Workshop co-chair. Cloud Ways 2015 International Workshop on Cloud Adoption and Migration, Workshop co-chair. Program Committees (Conferences) ECAI 2024 European Conference of Artificial Intelligence ICPE 2024 International Conference on Performance Engineering - Data Challenge ICSE 2024 International Conference on Software Engineering ICPE 2023 International Conference on Performance Engineering ASE 2022 International Conference on Automated Software Engineering - Artifacts Track SEAMS 2022 Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems ICPE 2022 International Conference on Performance Engineering ICSE/NIER 2022 International Conference on Software Engineering ASE 2021 International Conference on Automated Software Engineering - Artifacts Track AISTATS 2021 International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics SEAMS 2021 16th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems ICSA 2021 International Conference on Software Architecture ICPE 2021 International Conference on Performance Engineering XP 2020 International Conference on Agile Software Development ICSE 2020 International Conference on Software Engineering SEAMS 2020 15th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems ICPE 2020 International Conference on Performance Engineering VaMoS 2020 International Conference on Variability Modeling of Software-Intensive Systems ECSA 2019 13th European Conference on Software Architecture SATURN 2019 SEI Architecture User Network (SATURN) Conference ICSA 2019 International Conference on Software Architecture (Tool Track)

Microservices 2019 International Conference on Microservices

SEAMS 2019	14th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems
ICSOC 2018	16th International Conference on Service-Oriented Computing
ECSA 2018	12th European Conference on Software Architecture
ICDCS 2018	38th International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems
SEAMS 2018	13th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems
ECSA 2017	11th European Conference on Software Architecture
SEAMS $2017$	12th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems
EUSPN 2017	8th Emerging Ubiquitous Systems and Pervasive Networks
SIGMOD 2016	ACM SIGMOD 2016 Reproducibility
SEAMS 2016	11th Software Engineering for Adaptive and Self-Managing Systems
EUSPN 2016	7th Emerging Ubiquitous Systems and Pervasive Networks
ICSOFT 2016	13th International Conference on Software Technologies
ICSOFT 2015	12th International Conference on Software Technologies
	Program Committees (Workshops)
WAM 2023	1st International Workshop on Application Modernization
ASSYST 2023	Architecture and System Support for Transformer Models
AMP 2021	International Workshop on Agility with Microservices Programming
AKSAS 2018	International Workshop on Architectural Knowledge for Self-Adaptive Systems
MLMH 2018	KDD Workshop on Machine Learning for Medicine and Healthcare
AMS 2018	International Workshop on Architecting with MicroServices
SQUADE 2018	International Workshop on Software Qualities and their Dependencies
LTB 2018	Load Testing and Benchmarking of Software Systems
ASBDA 2017	International Workshop on Autonomic Systems for Big Data Analytics
AMS 2017	International Workshop on Architecting with MicroServices
QUDOS 2017	International Workshop on Quality-Aware DevOps
LTB 2017	Load Testing and Benchmarking of Software Systems
QUORS 2017	International COMPSAC Workshop on Quality Oriented Reuse of Software
LTB 2016	Load Testing and Benchmarking of Software Systems
QUORS 2016	International COMPSAC Workshop on Quality Oriented Reuse of Software
	Journal Reviews
	Brackets indicate the number of papers I reviewed (excluding revisions).
TSE $(15)$	IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering
TOSEM $(15)$	ACM Transactions on Software Engineering and Methodology
TAAS $(10)$	ACM Transactions on Autonomous and Adaptive Systems
Software (7)	IEEE Software
ROBOT $(3)$	Elsevier Robotics and Autonomous Systems
TSC(3)	IEEE Transactions on Service Computing
TCC(3)	IEEE Transactions on Cloud Computing
SPI (3)	Wiley Software Process: Improvement and Practice
IST $(3)$	Elsevier Information and Software Technology
Computing (3)	Springer Computing

- JPDC (3) Journal of Parallel and Distributed Computing
- EMSE (3) Springer Empirical Software Engineering
- SoSyM (2) Springer Software & Systems Modeling
- Oxf Comp Jrnl (2) Oxford Academic Computer Journal
  - JSEP (2) Wiley Journal of Software: Evolution and Process
  - SPE (2) Wiley Software: Practice and Experience
  - Cloud (2) IEEE Cloud Computing
  - IET Software (2) IET Software
    - PLOS ONE (2) PLOS ONE
      - ToMPECS (1) ACM Trans. on Modeling and Performance Evaluation of Computing Systems
        - CSUR (1) ACM Computing Surveys
        - Micro (1) IEEE Micro
        - ASC (1) Elsevier Applied Soft Computing
      - Computer (1) IEEE Computer
    - Computing (1) IEEE Internet Computing
      - JNCA (1) Elsevier Journal of Network and Computer Applications
      - TNSM (1) IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management
      - JCST (1) Springer Journal of Computer Science and Technology
        - JCC (1) Springer Journal of Cloud Computing
      - SOCA (1) Springer Service Oriented Computing and Applications
        - JSA (1) Elsevier Journal of Systems Architecture
      - JBCS (1) Springer Journal of the Brazilian Computer Society
        - JSS (1) Elsevier Journal of Systems and Software
      - JWE (1) Journal of Web Engineering
      - IBM (1) IBM Journal of Research and Development
    - Computers (1) MDPI Computers
      - Entropy (1) MDPI Entropy
    - Supercomp. (1) Springer Journal of Supercomputing
      - CACM (1) Communications of the ACM
        - AIJ (1) Elsevier Artificial Intelligence Journal
    - Neurocomp (1) Elsevier Neurocomputing
      - Access (1) IEEE Access
    - Neurocomp (1) Frontiers in Epidemiology
      - TECS (1) ACM Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems

#### GRANT PROPOSAL REVIEW

- 2024 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 2023 National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
- 2023 Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- 2023 German Research Foundation, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 2022 German Research Foundation, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG)
- 2021 National Science Foundation (NSF) panel (CISE/CNS)

- 2021 National Science Foundation (NSF) panel (CISE/SHF)
- 2020 National Science Foundation (NSF) panel (CISE/IIS)
- 2019 Dutch Research Council (NWO)
- 2018 Canadian Science Fund (FRQnet)
- 2018 Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
- 2016 Dutch Technology Foundation (STW)
- 2023 Nazarbayev University Faculty-Development Competitive Research Grants OTHER REVIEWS
- 2016 Elsevier book proposal review

#### Industry Services

SPEC I have been actively collaborating with the DevOps RG group to develop a DevOps framework by consolidating tools to better integrate performance monitoring and architectural refactoring.

Intel and Microsoft During my postdoctoral research in IC4 (Irish cloud center with 40+ industry members), I was actively collaborating with Giovani Estrada and Chris Woods from Intel and Niall Moran from Microsoft for developing auto-scaling mechanisms for OpenStack and Azure platforms, see [C15, C14, C18].

IPMA Project My responsibility was to assess the quality of the projects submitted for the Management "National Project Management Excellence Award" and to judge their excellence Excellence by exploiting the IPMA Project Excellence Model. The assessment process included individual assessments, consensus meetings, site visits and report writing.

Apache I am active in the Apache Storm community contributing to the auto-scaling feature of the framework: https://issues.apache.org/jira/browse/STORM-594

Imperial I was a research consultant on Big Data and Machine Learning in Imperial Consultants Consultants, a self-funding, wholly owned company of Imperial College London.

## MEMBERSHIP IN TECHNICAL COMMUNITIES

2019- AAAI

2015- SPEC RG DevOps Performance Group

2011- IEEE, ACM, ACM SIGSOFT

## IMMIGRATION STATUS

Collaborator

US Permanent Resident (Green Card holder since April 2020).

## References

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