# Bardia Ardakanian

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#### **EDUCATION**

Amirkabir University of Technology (Tehran Polytechnic), Tehran, Iran

B.Sc., Computer Engineering, Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

Sep 2019 - Sep 2024

GPA: 17.72 / 20 (3.70/4) - Last Two Year GPA: 18.47 / 20 (3.90/4) Project: Unsupervised Camera Lidar Fusion for Fast Region Proposal

Supervisor: Mahdi Javanmardi, Jury: Mohammad Rahmati

# Allameh Tabatabaee High School, Tehran, Iran

Diploma in Mathematics and Physics Sep 2015 - June 2019 GPA: High School  $\bf 19.53$  / 20 , Pre-University  $\bf 18.96$  / 20

# RELATED COURSES

- Computational Intelligence
- Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence
- Data Mining
- Applied Linear Algebra
- Discrete Mathematics
- Data Structure & Algorithms
- Design and Analysis of Algorithms
- Theory of Languages and Automata
- Linear Optimization
- Software Engineering I
- Software Engineering II

- Software Testing
- Compiler Design and Concepts
- Database Management Concepts and Systems
- Fundamentals of Cloud Computing
- Web Programming
- Computer Networks
- Operating Systems
- Embedded and Real-Time Systems
- Computer Architecture
- Microprocessor and Assembly Language

Proudly got A in all above

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant**, Autonomous and Intelligent Systems Lab, Amirkabir Univ. of Tech. — Sep 2023 - now

- Unsupervised Camera Lidar Fusion for Fast Region Proposal B.Sc. Project
- Abstract: In recent years, the integration of multisensory data such as camera and LiDAR in object detection systems has garnered significant attention. This integration can help improve accuracy and efficiency in object recognition. However, the collection and manual labeling of data required to train object detection models is a time-consuming and costly process. In this research, we evaluate the performance of a proposed method for region proposal using unsupervised learning and the fusion of camera and LiDAR data. The main objective is to determine how this approach can be effective in the region proposal process and how it affects the accuracy and speed of object detection. To this end, two-dimensional camera images and three-dimensional LiDAR data are fused, and unsupervised clustering algorithms are employed to identify regions containing objects. The results indicate that this method can detect object-containing

regions with acceptable accuracy without the need for labeled data, which can help reduce the costs and time required for developing object detection systems.

• Skills: Python, Pytorch, SciPy

Research Assistant, Hardware Design Lab, Amirkabir Univ. of Tech — June 2023 - now

- Developed a reinforcement learning model to optimize third-layer cache performance, focusing on memory access pattern recognition to enhance computing efficiency.
- Skills: C/C++, Gem5

Research Collaborator, University of Toronto, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering — Sep 2022 - Sep 2023

- Deep Active-Learning Object Detection: Developed a model by training the SSD network with active learning techniques, utilizing Variational Autoencoders (VAEs) and Stable Diffusion to filter irrelevant images from the training dataset efficiently.
- Super-Resolution Enhancement using XAI: Assessed the integration of explainable AI (XAI) techniques to enhance the robustness of the SwinIR model on blurry and noisy images.
- Deep Semi-Supervised Image Semantic Segmentation: Assessed the use of CycleGAN and a novel loss function to generate varied training data, aiming to improve the accuracy of NVIDIA's SemanticGAN model.
- Skills: Python, Pytorch, TensorFlow, Numpy, OpenCV

# PUBLICATIONS AND TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Adarsh Salagame, Harin Kumar Nallaguntla, **Bardia Ardakanian**, Eric Sihite, Gunar Schirner, Alireza Ramezani. "Reinforcement Learning-Based Model Matching to Reduce the Sim-Real Gap in COBRA." Under review at *American Control Conference (ACC)*, 2025. Available: Link.
- Bachelor's Thesis: "Unsupervised Camera-LiDAR Fusion for Fast Region Proposal" (Written in Farsi). Supervisor: Mahdi Javanmardi.
- Bardia Ardakanian. "Development of Natural and Artificial Intelligence Post-Selection Dialogue: Challenges to Post-Selection." *IEEE Cognitive Development Systems Newsletter*, vol. 18, no. 2, pp. 6-11, 2024. Available at: Link.
- Bardia Ardakanian, Fardin Ayar, Mahdi Javanmardi. "Unsupervised Camera-LiDAR Fusion for Efficient Online Segmentation." Manuscript in preparation.
- Bardia Ardakanian, Hamed Farbeh. "Optimizing Cache Replacement Policies through Unsupervised Learning." Manuscript in preparation.

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant, Database Management Concepts and System
  Under the supervision of HamidReza Shahriari Spring 2023 & Fall 2023
  Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignments + Holding midterm and final exams (53, 25 students)
- Teaching Assistant, Compiler Design
  Under the supervision of Saeedeh Momtazi Spring 2023 & Fall 2024
  Holding classes + Designing assignments + Grading assignments (37, 33 students)

• Teaching Assistant, Operating Systems Under the supervision of Seyyed Ahmad Javadi Holding classes + Grading assignments	Spring 2023 (62 students)
• Instructor, Fundamentals of Linux Amirkabir LinuxFest (200+ attendees)	Fall 2022
• Instructor, Linux Control Groups Amirkabir LinuxFest (200+ attendees)	Fall 2022
• Teaching Assistant, Computer Architecture Under the supervision of Elham Cheshmikhani Fall 2022 Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment students)	& Spring 2023 ats (41, 38)
• Teaching Assistant, Computational Intelligence Under the supervision of Mohammad Mehdi Ebadzadeh Holding classes + Grading assignments	Spring 2023 (79 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Algorithm Design Under the supervision of Hamid Haj Seyyed javadi Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Making assignments	Fall 2022 ents + Grading (57 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Algorithm Design Under the supervision of Alireza Bagheri Holding classes + Grading assignments	Fall 2022 (75 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Discrete Mathematics Under the supervision of Mostafa Haghir Chehreghani Fall 20 Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment students)	021 & Fall 2022 ats (30, 33)
• Teaching Assistant, Applied Linear Algebra Under the supervision of Mostafa Haghir Chehreghani Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment	Spring 2022 ts (65 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Applied Linear Algebra Under the supervision of Maryam Amirmazlaghani Spring 202 the team + Holding classes + Grading assignments	22 Coordinating (52 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Computer Architecture Under the supervision of Hamed Farbeh Holding classes + Grading exams	Spring 2022 (63 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Data Structure & Algorithms Under the supervision of Sajad Shirali-Shahreza Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment	Spring 2022 ts (36 students)
• Instructor, Data Structure & Algorithms Under the supervision of Ehsan Nazerfard Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment	Fall 2021 ts (45 students)
• Teaching Assistant, Advanced Programming Under the supervision of Hossein Zeinali Fall 2021 Coordinating the team + Holding classes + Grading assignment students)	& Spring 2021 ats (76, 41)
• Teaching Assistant, Fundamentals of Programming	

Under the supervision of Bahador Bakhshi Spring 2021 & Fall 2020

(64, 22 students)

 $Holding\ classes\ +\ Grading\ assignments$ 

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# Machine Learning Engineer

Sep 2022 – Present

Sepid Daneh Zarvan Toos Co., Tehran/Mashhad, Iran

- Designed and implemented robot control systems for automated sorting, packaging, and quality assessment in high-volume production lines.
- Developed AI-powered candling systems for non-invasive quality control, detecting cracks and internal defects with high precision.
- Created specialized sorting mechanisms to classify products by size and quality, optimizing efficiency for diverse packaging requirements.
- Engineered synchronized robotic systems to streamline sorting, candling, and packaging processes, ensuring seamless operation across the production line.
- Increased production capacity from 2.5 tons to 17 tons daily by automating key operations, achieving export-quality standards.
- Contributed to the design and integration of conveyor and aligner systems to enhance product flow and readiness for downstream automation.

Software Developer

July 2022 - Sep 2022

System Group Co., Tehran, Iran

- Developed a new service compensation module for the Rahkaran ERP product, improving processing speed by 33% for over 39,000 facilities and industries in Iran.
- Redesigned the user interface using Angular, JavaScript, and HTML/CSS.
- Part of the debugging team, resolving zero-day bugs that affected core features.

Backend Developer

July 2021 - July 2022

Fanap Soft Co., Tehran, Iran

- Led the transformation of the WePod infrastructure from a monolithic to a microservice architecture, increasing system speed by 240% and improving overall performance.
- Converted key money transfer services (Paya, Satna, and debit) into microservices, enhancing the scalability and reliability of financial transactions.
- Developed critical modules, including online card password changes and eligibility filters for money transfer requests.
- Served as Scrum Master, promoting Agile methodologies to enhance team collaboration and support iterative development.
- Developed a system recovery solution for server infrastructure, ensuring operational resilience.

IT Intern

June 2017 - Sep 2017

Khoshgovar Tehran Co. (Coca Cola Iran), Tehran, Iran

# TOP ACADEMIC PROJECTS

# • XTC Texture Classifier

Designed a classifier that detects similar sub-images in a given image, using the vgg16 model, a linear regression, and DIV2K dataset, with an accuracy of 95%

#### • Reinforced Cache

Designed a replacement policy for the third layer cache using reinforcement learning

#### • DL-NLP Code Repair

Trained the dear model with a custom dataset for internal code repair.

## • Computational Intelligence 1

Built a Neural Network from scratch using NumPy

# • Computational Intelligence 2

Developed a 2D Flappy Bird-like game using neural networks for agent decisionmaking and evolutionary algorithms for optimization

#### • Information Retrieval

Designed a simple search engine that uses the inverted index to index content

#### • Data Mining

Implementation of C4.5, Kmeans, DBSCAN, SpectralClustering, FB-tree algorithms

#### • Signal and Systems

Implementation of all types of Fourier Transform (written in Python)

# • Microprocessor and Assembly Language

Simulation of an airplane emergency control system in Proteus with ATMega16

#### • Principles of Compiler Design

Implementation of a front-end compiler for an imperative programming language using ANTLR (written in C)

# • Internet Engineering (Web Programming)

Implementation of the front-end and back-end of an online chatbox (written in Golang, Angular)

#### • Fundamentals of Cloud Computing

Engineered an ad API monetization service (Written in Python + Django, and Docker)

## • Software Engineering 1

Implemented a botnet that scrapes sites such as Twitter, Reddit, and Telegram around buying and selling in the Iranian stock market, and with the help of text emotion detection techniques using NLP, creates buying and selling signals about shares

#### • Software Engineering 2

Implementation of an automated testing software (written in Java, maven)

# • Software Testing

Implementation of an automated testing framework (written in Python)

#### • Database Design

Implementation of a university portal with Test-driven development (TDD)

# • Computer Networks

Implementation of a simplified telnet protocol (written in Python)

#### • Linear Optimization 1

Developed a Soft-Margin Support Vector Machine (SVM) using Pyomo and optimization techniques

# • Linear Optimization 2

Implemented a Support Vector Machine from the ground up using NumPy

# • Database Design and Systems Lab

Developed a URL shortener in Python and SQL

# • Operating Systems

Modified xv6 by adding system calls, and implementing new scheduling algorithms and ticket locks. Kernel-level threads are also added

## • Logic Circuit

A smart home environment using Verilog to understand logical circuits was simulated

#### • Data Structures and Algorithms

Implementation of a GPS with various shortest-path algorithms

#### • Advanced Programming

Developed a 2D Tank Trouble game (written in Java)

#### • Fundamentals of Programming

Implementation of Paint, Snake, Tetris, scientific calculator and Lonely-cell game (written in C)

# • Computer Engineering Department Archive

Founded and managed the GitHub-based Computer Engineering Department Archive, housing 90+ course resources. Praised by faculty, it serves as a critical student study aid

# HONORS AND AWARDS

- Bachelor's Thesis Nominated and Awarded as One of the Best Theses in Artificial Intelligence at Amirkabir University of Technology. 2024.
- Ranked in the top 20% of the Class of 2019 in Computer Engineering at Amirkabir University of Technology, 2024
- Achieved top 3% among all applicants of the Nationwide University Entrance Exam for M.Sc. in Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (approx. 14000 applicants), admitted to Shahid Beheshti University, 2024
- Member of the Robotics Lab, Computer Engineering Department, Amirkabir University of Technology, September 2023
- Member of the Hardware Lab, Computer Engineering Department, Amirkabir University of Technology, June 2023
- Founded the [Computer Engineering Department Archive](https://github.com/Computer-Engineering-Department-Archive), a GitHub repository with over 90 course resources, widely used by students and faculty at Amirkabir University of Technology
- Recognized as one of the youngest Course Responsibles and Lab Instructors at Amirkabir University of Technology
- Consultant to the Student Guild Council, Computer Engineering Department, Amirkabir University of Technology, since 2023
- Granted a 50% tuition reduction for outstanding academic performance during bachelor's studies, 2021
- Selected for the Competitive Co-op Program at Amirkabir University, 2021
- Lecturer at Amirkabir Linuxfest, delivering talks on Linux control groups and Linux fundamentals to over 800 attendees, 2020
- Honored as Head of Student Affairs in the Student Guild Council for the Computer Engineering Department, 2020
- Elected as a Member of the General Student Guild Council, representing students across the university, 2020–2023
- Lead Coordinator for events organized by the Student Scientific Chapter, including ICPC, AAISS, LinuxFest, NoobChallenge, CTF, and GameCraft, 2020
- Recognized as an Active Member of the Student Scientific Chapter of the Computer Engineering Department, 2020

- Ranked in the top 1% in the Nationwide University Entrance Exam for B.Sc. in Math and Engineering (approx. 150666 applicants), 2019
- Selected as a member of the high school team for the National Scientific Olympiad in Computer (4th place among 11th graders), 2017
- Selected as a member of the high school team for the National Scientific Olympiad in Computer (6th place among 10th graders), 2016
- Selected as a member of the high school team for the National Scientific Olympiad in Physics (2nd place among 10th graders), 2016

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, C#, Go, R, MATLAB, Shell Scripting, SQL
- Frameworks & Libraries: TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, OpenCV, ROS, Scikit-learn, NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, Matplotlib, Django, Angular, Spring, Maven
- Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, Oracle DB, MS SQL Server, MongoDB, Redis, Elasticsearch
- Tools & Technologies: Git, Docker, Kubernetes, Jenkins, Ansible, LATEX; OS: Linux (Ubuntu, Fedora, Kali), Windows

# AUDITED AND ONLINE COURSES

- Fundamentals of Robotics fall 2024 by Prof. Mahdi Javanmardi, Amirkabir University of Technology
- Machine Learning Engineer Career Track summer 2023 by Datacamp
- Machine Learning Specialization (3 courses) summer 2022 by Coursera
- Deep Learning Specialization (5 courses) summer 2022 by Coursera

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Siliconsynapse Lab Meetings Dr. Alireza Ramezani, Northeastern University

  Mar 2024 now
- Member of the Student Guild Council of the Department of Computer Engineering - Amirkabir University of Technology Sep 2020 - Sep 2023
- Member of General Student Guild Council of the Department of Computer Engineering Amirkabir University of Technology Sep 2020 Sep 2023
- Member of Student Scientific Chapter of the Department of Computer Engineering - Amirkabir University of Technology Sep 2020 - Sep 2022

# LANGUAGES & TEST SCORES

LANGUAGES & Persian (Farsi): Mother tongue (Native)

English: Professional working proficiency (TOEFL: 111 - R28 - L27 - S27 - W29)

GRE: 325 — Quant: 168 (83<sup>rd</sup> percentile), Verbal: 157 (73<sup>rd</sup> percentile), AW: 4.5 (83<sup>rd</sup> percentile)

#### REFERENCES

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