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EDUCATION

Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

Ph.D., Electrical Engineering, Sept 2013 – April 2018

- Thesis topic: Sparse Recovery and Dictionary Learning based on Proximal Methods in Optimization
- Advisor: Prof. Massoud Babaie-Zadeh
- GPA: 18.37/20

M.Sc., Electrical Engineering, Sept 2010 – Sept 2012

- Thesis topic: Sparse Representation and its Application in Image Denoising
- Advisor: Prof. Massoud Babaie-Zadeh
- GPA: 17.43/20

Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Mashhad, Iran

B.Sc., Electrical Engineering, Sept 2006 – Sept 2010

• GPA: 18.41/20

RESEARCH Interests

Statistical signal and image processing, latent variable generative models: variational autoencoders (VAEs), unsupervised audio-visual speech enhancement, Bayesian inference and probabilistic machine learning, local/global optimization

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

- Postdoctoral researcher (August 2018–October 2020), PERCEPTION team, Inria Grenoble Rhône-Alpes, France.
- Research engineer (September 2017–December 2017), Automatic Control Department, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden.
- Visiting Ph.D. scholar (October 2016–July 2017), Information Science and Engineering Department, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden.

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar profile

- 1. S. Amini, M. Soltanian, M. Sadeghi, S. Ghaemmaghami, "Non-Smooth Regularization: Improvement to Learning Framework Through Extrapolation," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 70, pp. 1213–1223, February 2022.
- 2. M. Sadeghi and X. Alameda-Pineda, "Mixture of Inference Networks for VAE-based Audio-visual Speech Enhancement," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 69, pp. 1899-1909, March 2021.

- M. Sadeghi, S. Leglaive, X. Alameda-Pineda, L. Girin, and R. Horaud, "Audiovisual speech enhancement using conditional variational auto-encoders," *IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech, and Language Processing*, vol. 28, pp. 1788-1800, May 2020.
- 4. **M. Sadeghi** and M. Babaie-Zadeh, "Dictionary learning with low mutual coherence constraint," *Neurocomputing*, May 2020 (accepted for publication).
- F. Ghayem, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, S. Chatterjee, M. Skoglund, and C. Jutten, "Sparse signal recovery using iterative proximal projection," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 66, no. 4, pp. 879–894, February 2018.
- 6. **M. Sadeghi**, and M. Babaie-Zadeh, "Incoherent unit-norm frame design via an alternating minimization penalty method," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, vol. 24, no. 1, pp. 32-36, January 2017.
- 7. M. Sadeghi, and M. Babaie-Zadeh, "Iterative sparsification-projection: Fast and robust sparse signal approximation," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 64, no. 21, pp. 5536-5548, November 2016.
- 8. M. Joneidi, P. Ahmadi, M. Sadeghi, N. Rahnavard, "Union of low-rank subspaces detector," *IET Signal Processing*, vol. 10, no. 1, pp. 55–62, February 2016.
- M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Learning over-complete dictionaries based on atom-by-atom updating," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 62, no. 4, pp. 883-891, February 2014.
- M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Dictionary learning for sparse representation: A novel approach," *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*, vol. 20, no. 12, pp. 1195-1198, December 2013 (Nominated for IEEE SPL best paper award, 2017).

Preprints

- 1. M. Sadeghi and P. Magron, "A Sparsity-promoting Dictionary Model for Variational Autoencoders," April 2022.
- Z. Kang, M. Sadeghi, R. Horaud, J. Donley, A. Kumar, and X. Alameda-Pineda, "Expression-preserving face frontalization improves visually assisted speech processing," April 2022.
- 3. Z. Kang, M. Sadeghi, and R. Horaud, "Face Frontalization Based on Robustly Fitting a Deformable Shape Model to 3D Landmarks," October 2020.
- 4. M. Sadeghi, S. Guy, A. Raison, X. Alameda-Pineda, and R. Horaud, "Unsupervised Performance Analysis of 3D Face Alignment," April 2020.
- S. Chatterjee, A. M. Javid, M. Sadeghi, S. Kikuta, P. P. Mitra, M. Skoglund, "SSFN: Self Size-estimating Feed-forward Network and Low Complexity Design," March 2020.

Conference Publications

- 1. Z. Kang, M. Sadeghi, R. Horaud, J. Donley, A. Kumar, and X. Alameda-Pineda, "The impact of removing head movements on audio-visual speech enhancement," in *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, May 2022.
- 2. V.-N. Nguyen, **M. Sadeghi**, E. Ricci, and X. Alameda-Pineda, "Deep variational generative models for audio-visual speech separation," in *IEEE 31st International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing (MLSP)*, October 2021.

- 3. Z. Kang, R. Horaud, M. Sadeghi, "Robust Face Frontalization For Visual Speech Recognition," in *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)* Workshops, 2021.
- M. Sadeghi and X. Alameda-Pineda, "Robust Unsupervised Audio-visual Speech Enhancement Using a Mixture of Variational Autoencoders," in *IEEE International* Conference on Acoustics Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), Barcelona, Spain, May 2020.
- J. Parsa, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Low Mutual and Average Coherence Dictionary Learning Using Convex Approximation," in *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, Barcelona, Spain, May 2020.
- J. Parsa, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "A New Algorithm for Dictionary Learning Based on Convex Approximation," in *Proceedings of the* 27th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO), Coruña, Spain, 2-6 September 2019.
- M. Sadeghi, F. Ghayem, M. Babaie-Zadeh, S. Chatterjee, M. Skoglund, and C. Jutten, "L0Soft: L0 Minimization via Soft Thresholding," in *Proceedings of the 27th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO)*, 2-6 September 2019.
- 8. J. Parsa, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Joint Low Mutual And Average Coherence Dictionary Learning," in *Proceedings of the 26th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO)*, Rome, Italy, 3-7 September 2018.
- 9. M. Sadeghi, C. R. Rojas, and B. Wahlberg, "A Branch and Bound approach to system identification based on fixed-rank Hankel matrix optimization," in 18th IFAC Symposium on System Identification (SYSID), 2018.
- F. Ghayem, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Accelerated dictionary learning for sparse signal representation," in 13th International Conference on Latent Variable Analysis and Signal Separation, LVA/ICA, Grenoble, France, 2017.
- M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Regularized low-coherence overcomplete dictionary learning for sparse signal decomposition," in *Proceedings of* 24th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2016), Budapest, Hungary, 2016.
- M. Niknejad, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, H. Rabbani and C. Jutten, "A Dictionary Learning Method for Sparse Representation Using a Homotopy Approach," in 12th International Conference on Latent Variable Analysis and Signal Separation, LVA/ICA, Liberec, Czech Republic, 2015.
- S. Amini, M. Sadeghi, M. Joneidi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Outlier-aware dictionary learning for sparse representation," in *IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing (MLSP 2014)*, Reims, France, 2014.
- 14. **M. Sadeghi**, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Learning over-complete dictionaries based on parallel atom-updating," in *Proceedings of 23rd IEEE International Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing (MLSP)*, London, 2013.
- 15. M. Joneidi, **M. Sadeghi**, M. Sahraee, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "A study on clustering-based image denoising: From global clustering to local grouping," in *Proceedings 22nd European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2014)*, Lisbon, Portugal, 2014.

- 16. M. Joneidi, J. Golmohammadi, M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "K-LDA: An algorithm for Learning jointly reconstructive and discriminative dictionaries," in Proceedings 22nd European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2014), Lisbon, Portugal, 2014.
- 17. M. Sadeghi, M. Joneidi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "Sequential subspace finding: A new algorithm for learning low-dimensional linear subspaces," in Proceedings of 21st European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2013), Marrakesh, Morocco, 2013.
- 18. M. Sadeghi, M. Babaie-Zadeh, and C. Jutten, "A new algorithm for learning over-complete dictionaries," in Proceedings of 21st European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO 2013), Marrakesh, Morocco, 2013.

Teaching

Machine Learning

2021, 2022 (Spring, Fall)

IDMC

Statistics and Probability

2021 (Fall)

2010

IDMC

Advanced Artificial Intelligence

2022 (Spring)

Telecom Nancy

Honors & AWARDS

• Received Iran National Science Foundation (INSF) Ph.D. financial support 2016 • Full travel grant (CHESS project), 13th LVA/ICA workshop, Grenoble, France 2017 • Received a visiting research scholarship, Information Science and Engineering Department, Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden 2016 • Received 1-year National Elite Foundation Ph.D. fellowship 2017 • Received 1-year National Elite Foundation Ph.D. fellowship 2016 • Received 1-year National Elite Foundation Ph.D. fellowship 2015 • Full travel grant (CHESS project), 24th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO), Budapest, Hungary 2016 • Rank 2 in the nation-wide university entrance exam for Ph.D. 2013 • Rank 12 in the nation-wide university entrance exam for M.Sc. 2010 • Rank 3 among all undergraduate electrical engineering students at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, IRAN. 2010 • Rank 1 in the first, and 5 in the final stage of the 15th nation-wide

- Computer skills Programming Languages and Softwares: MATLAB, Python, PyTorch
 - Typesetting: LATEX

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Reviewer for the following journals:

• IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing

electrical engineering Olympiad, IRAN.

- IEEE Transactions on Image Processing
- IEEE Transactions on Computational Imaging
- IEEE Transactions on Industrial Electronics
- IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging
- IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence
- IEEE Signal Processing Letters
- Signal Processing
- Neurocomputing