

# Mahdi Dolati

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

- 2015–2022 **PhD Student in Software Engineering**, *The University of Tehran*, Electrical and Computer Engineering Dept.  
Dissertation title: A Robust and Efficient Method for Virtualizing the Network Functions in Software-defined Networks  
Dissertation grade: Excellent  
Supervisor: Dr. Ahmad Khonsari  
GPA: 19.23/20.0
- 2013–2015 **MS in Software Engineering**, *Sharif University of Tehnology*, Computer Engineering Dept.  
Thesis title: Saving Energy Consumption in Software-Defined Networks  
Supervisor: Prof. Ali Movaghar  
GPA: 19.29/20.0
- 2009–2013 **BS in Software Engineering**, *The University of Tehran*, Electrical and Computer Engineering Dept.  
Project title: Efficient report generation in Cassandra  
Supervisor: Dr. Ramtin Khosravi  
GPA: 17.75/20.0

### Research Experience

- 2018–2019 **Visiting PhD**, *The University of Calgary*, Computer Science Dept.  
Supervisor: Prof. Majid Ghaderi

### Honours and Awards

- 2022 **Eyes High Postdoctoral Match-Funding Fellowship**, *the Office of the VP Research*, University of Calgary, Canada.
- 2021 **Best Student Paper Award**, *For paper: "SoftTap: A Software-Defined TAP via Switch-Based Traffic Mirroring"*, IEEE International Conference on Network Softwarization (NetSoft).
- Nov 2018 **Student Travel Grant (STG)**, *For presenting paper at International Conference on Network and Service Management (CNSM)*, Awarded by Distributed Management Task Force (DMTF), Italy.
- Nov 2017 **Research Assistant Award**, *For outstanding academic success*, Iranian National Elites Foundation, Iran.
- Nov 2016 **Research Assistant Award**, *For outstanding academic success*, Iranian National Elites Foundation, Iran.
- Feb 2015 **9th place**, *National-wide exam for PhD admission in Computer Science*, Software group, Iran.

- Jan 2015 **Teaching Assistant Award**, *For outstanding academic success*, Iranian National Elites Foundation, Iran.
- 2013–2014 **2nd place**, *Among the class of 2013*, Software engineering, Sharif University of Technology.
- May 2013 **9th place**, *National-wide exam for graduate admission in Computer Science*, Algorithm group, Iran.
- May 2013 **16th place**, *National-wide exam for graduate admission in Computer Science*, Software group, Iran.
- June 2013 **17th place**, *National scientific olympiad in Computer Engineering*, Iran.
- 2011–2012 **2nd place**, *Among the class of 2009*, Software Engineering, The University of Tehran.

## Publication

### Journals

- [1] **M. Dolati**, S. H. Rastegar, A. Khonsari and M. Ghaderi, "Layer-Aware Containerized Service Orchestration in Edge Networks," *IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management*, vol. 20, no. 2, pp. 1830-1846, 2023.
- [2] S. Sadrhaghighi, **M. Dolati**, M. Ghaderi and A. Khonsari, "Monitoring OpenFlow Virtual Networks via Coordinated Switch-Based Traffic Mirroring," *IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management*, vol. 19, no. 3, pp. 2219-2237, 2022.
- [3] **M. Dolati**, A. Khonsari and M. Ghaderi, "Minimizing Update Makespan in SDNs without TCAM Overhead," *IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management*, vol. 19, no. 2, pp. 1598-1613, 2022.
- [4] M. Baharloo, A. Khonsari, **M. Dolati**, P. Shiri, M. Ebrahimi and D. Rahmati, "Traffic-aware performance optimization in Real-time wireless network on chip," *Nano Communication Networks*, vol. 26, p. 100321, 2020.
- [5] M. Nguyen, **M. Dolati** and M. Ghaderi, "Deadline-Aware SFC Orchestration under Demand Uncertainty," *IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management*, vol. 17, no. 4, pp. 2275-2290, 2020.

### Conferences

- [1] A. Sefati, **M. Dolati**, and M. Ghaderi, "Workload Placement with Bounded Slowdown in Disaggregated Datacenters," in Proc. *IEEE/ACM/IFIP International Conference on Network and Service Management (CNSM)*, Niagara Falls, Canada, November 2023. (Acceptance rate:  $18/95 = 18.9\%$ )
- [2] M. M. Attar, **M. Dolati**, and M. Ghaderi, "Adaptive Model Aggregation for Decentralized Federated Learning in Vehicular Networks," in Proc. *IEEE/ACM/IFIP International Conference on Network and Service Management (CNSM)*, Niagara Falls, Canada, November 2023. (Acceptance rate:  $18/95 = 18.9\%$ )
- [3] S. Aalibagi, **M. Dolati**, S. Sadrhaghighi, and M. Ghaderi, "Low-Overhead Packet Loss Diagnosis for Virtual Private Clouds using P4-Programmable NICs," in Proc. *IEEE/IFIP Network Operations and Management Symposium (NOMS)*, Miami, FL, USA, May 2023. (Acceptance rate:  $44/197 = 22.3\%$ )
- [4] S. Sadrhaghighi, **M. Dolati**, M. Ghaderi and A. Khonsari, "FlowShark: Sampling for High Flow Visibility in SDNs," in Proc. *IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM)*, Virtual Conference (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic), May, 2022. (Acceptance rate:  $225/1129 = 19.9\%$ )

- [5] V. Sohrabi, M. E. Esmaili, **M. Dolati**, A. Khonsari, and A. Dadlani "EVBLB: Efficient Voronoi Tessellation-Based Load Balancing in Edge Computing Networks," in Proc. *IEEE Global Communications Conference (GLOBECOM)*, Virtual Conference (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic), December, 2021. (Acceptance rate:  $908/2292 = 39.6\%$ )
- [6] (**BEST STUDENT PAPER AWARD**) S. Sadrhaghighi, **M. Dolati**, M. Ghaderi and A. Khonsari, "SoftTap: A Software-Defined TAP via Switch-Based Traffic Mirroring," in Proc. *IEEE International Conference on Network Softwarization (NetSoft)*, Virtual Conference (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic), June-July, 2021. (Acceptance rate:  $18/89 = 20.2\%$ )
- [7] A. Hosseini, **M. Dolati** and M. Ghaderi, "Bulk Transfer Scheduling With Deadline in Best-Effort SD-WANs," in Proc. *IFIP/IEEE International Symposium on Integrated Network Management (IM)*, Virtual Conference (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic), May, 2021. (Acceptance rate:  $46/191 = 24.1\%$ )
- [8] L. Wang, **M. Dolati** and M. Ghaderi, "CHANGE: Delay-Aware Service Function Chain Orchestration at the Edge," in Proc. *IEEE International Conference on Fog and Edge Computing (ICFEC)*, Virtual Conference (Due to Covid-19 Pandemic), May, 2021. (Acceptance rate:  $7/41 = 17.0\%$ )
- [9] F. Habibi, **M. Dolati**, A. Khonsari and M. Ghaderi, "Accelerating Virtual Network Embedding with Graph Neural Networks," in Proc. *IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Network and Service Management (CNSM)*, Virtual Conference (Due to COVID-19 Pandemic), November, 2020. (Acceptance rate:  $21/106 = 19.8\%$ )
- [10] **M. Dolati**, M. Ghaderi and A. Khonsari "Proactive Inter-Datacenter Multicast with Realtime and Bulk Transfers," in Proc. *IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Quality of Service (IWQoS)*, Arizona, USA, June 2019. (Acceptance rate:  $42/153 = 27.4\%$ )
- [11] M. Nguyen, **M. Dolati**, M. Ghaderi, "Proactive Service Orchestration with Deadline," in Proc. *IEEE Conference on Network Softwarization (NetSoft)*, Paris, France, June 2019. (Acceptance rate:  $20/103 = 19.2\%$ )
- [12] **M. Dolati**, B. Hassanpour, M. Ghaderi and A. Khonsari, "DeepViNE: Virtual Network Embedding with Deep Reinforcement Learning," in Proc. *IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM Workshop), Workshop on Network Intelligence*, Paris, France, April 2019.
- [13] **M. Dolati**, A. Khonsari, and M. Ghaderi, "Consistent SDN Rule Update With Reduced Number of Scheduling Rounds," in Proc. *IEEE/ACM/IFIP International Conference on Network and Service Management (CNSM), Mini-Conference*, Rome, Italy, November 2018. (Acceptance rate:  $(19 + 21 + 15)/117 = 47.0\%$ )

## Teaching Experience

- The University of Tehran
- Teaching Assistant, ECE Dept.**
- Internet Measurement, Spring, 2021
  - Quantum Information Processing, Fall 2020, 2021
  - Randomized Algorithms, Spring 2020
  - Seminar for Computer Architecture, Fall 2019
  - Advanced Computer Networks, Fall 2016
  - Computer Networks, Fall 2015, Spring and Fall 2016, 2017
  - Computer Networks Lab, Fall 2015
- Sharif University of Technology
- Teaching Assistant, CE Dept.**
- Computer Simulation, Fall 2014, Spring 2015
  - Software-Defined Networking, Spring 2015

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## Professional Training

- 2014 **Software-Defined Networking Certificate**, At *Coursera.org*, Completed with honors, Provided by prof. Nick Feamster from Georgia Institute of Technology.  
<http://www.coursera.org/course/sdn>

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## Work Experience

- 2022-Present **Postdoctoral Researcher**, *School of Computer Science*, Institute for Research in Fundamental Sciences (IPM).
- 2016 **Implementing SDN**, *Joint project of IPM and Iran Telecommunication Research Center*.
- 2016 **Teaching Java Web Development**, *Information Technology Department of Ministry of Labour and Social Affair*, Labour and Social Security Institute.
- 2012-2014 **Java Web Developer**, *Institute of Applied and Intelligent Systems*, The University of Tehran.

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## Notable Courses

- Phd **The University of Tehran, ECE Dept.**
- o Advanced Algorithm Design, 19.0/20.0
  - o Advanced Graph Theory, 20.0/20.0
  - o Machine Learning, 20.0/20.0
  - o Game Theory, 17.0/20.0
  - o Statistical Inference, 19.4/20.0
  - o Special Topics in Pattern Recognition, 20.0/20.0
- MS **Sharif University of Technology, CE Dept.**
- o Data Mining, 18.3/20.0
  - o Advanced Operating Systems, 18.7/20.0
  - o Theory of Distributed Systems, 19.8/20.0
  - o Verification of Reactive Systems, 18.6/20.0
  - o Performance Evaluation of Computer Systems, 19.3/20.0
- BS **The University of Tehran, ECE Dept.**
- o Discrete Mathematics, 17.1/20.0
  - o Design and Analysis of Algorithms, 20.0/20.0
  - o Theory of Formal Languages and Automata, 20.0/20.0
  - o Design and Implementation of Compilers, 19.6/20.0
  - o Design and Implementation of Programming Languages, 19.0/20.0
  - o Computer Networks, 16.5/20.0
  - o Computer Simulations, 18.6/20.0

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## Computer Skills

- Languages PYTHON, JAVA, C/C++, P4, R, MATLAB
- IDE JETBRAINS PYCHARM, INTELLIJ IDEA, ANDROID STUDIO
- Tools Gurobi, Mininet, NS3, GNS3, Docker, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Git
- Database MySql, Cassandra
- OS Windows, Ubuntu

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## Research Interest

- Software-Defined Networking
- Network Function Virtualization
- Inter-Datacenter Networking

- Cloud Computing

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## Languages

Pesian **Native Proficiency**  
English **Professional Working Proficiency**

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## References

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**Dr. Ramtin Khosravi**, *ECE Dept.*, The University of Tehran.  
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**Prof. Majid Ghaderi**, *CS Dept.*, The University of Calgary.  
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