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PhD "Electrical and Computer Engineering (Artificial Intelligence)"

2007 - 2012 Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics/ Technical University of Berlin Dissertation, *Grade: magna cum laude* 

Title Statistical modelling of natural images using mixture models

Supervisor Prof. Bethge

Master of Science "Biomedical Engineering (Bio-electric)"

2004 - 2007 Amirkabir University (Tehran Polytechnique)

Master Thesis, Grade: 20/20

 ${\bf Title} \ \ {\it Statistical \ analysis \ of fMRI \ images \ using \ wavelet \ transform}$ 

Supervisor Prof. Vafadust

Bachelor of Science "Electrical Engineering (Telecommunication)"

2000 - 2004 University of Tehran

Bachelor Thesis, Grade: 20/20

Title Fingerprint image enhancement using wavelet transform

Supervisor Prof. Kamarei

# Professional Experiences

2019 - now Co-Founder and Head AI of HARA Company

Activities:

- Leading R&D teams developing AI products
- Involving in the development of traffic control products
- Involving in strategic planning

2013 - now Assistant Professor at University of Tehran

Activities:

- Tutoring courses: deep learning, machine vision, advanced optimization, speech processing, operations research, intelligent systems
- O Supervising Bachelor, Master and PhD students
- Conducting theoretical and applied research

2013 German Language Instructor at Sokhan Language Institute Activities:

o Giving German courses at levels A-1 and A-2

## Industrial Products in HARA

2021 - 2022 AI Team Lead

in automatic image reader of official letters

Started: March 2021 Ended: June 2022

This product has achieved **very high performance** in official letter OCR

2021 AI Team Lead

in automatic photo reader of cards

Started: March 2021 Ended: September 2021

This product has achieved **near human performance** in reading cards

2021 AI Team Lead

in fine verification bot product

Started: January 2021 Ended: April 2021

This product is currently in use and evaluated more than **10 Million** traffic fines It verifies 95 percent of fines with **100% accuracy** and sends the rest of 5 percent to operator check

2020 AI Team Lead & Developer

in automatic traffic control

Started: March 2020 Ended: December 2020

This product has been currently installed on more than 1100 cameras, and successfully passed police tests

It is the rank one in Iran in terms of accuracy and number of installations

2021 - 2022 Advisor

in face recognition Started: March 2021 Ended: December 2022

Achieving the accuracy higher than human

2021 - 2022 Advisor

in speaker verification Started: March 2021 Ended: April 2022

Reaching the accuracy of best available methods, but still low for industry Therefore, we stopped its further development

2021 - now Advisor

in text to speech Started: March 2021

Currently under development

2021 - now AI Team Lead

in vehicle damage estimation

Started: March 2021

Currently under development

2020 - now AI Team Lead in automatic call-center Started: January 2020 Currently under development

# Industrial Projects in HARA

2019 from Roham Company for vehicle speed computation using machine vision Duration: 1 month, Amount: 150 Million Tomans

## Industrial Projects in University

- 2020 Investigator of an industrial project from Balad Company for road map updating using GPS data Duration: 6 months, Amount: 26.3 Million Tomans
- 2018 Principal investigator of an industrial project from Metaschip Company for early detection of cancerous cells using machine vision Duration: 6 months, Amount: 150 Million Tomans
- 2017 Investigator of an industrial project from Shatel Company for segmenting internet users based on their traffic usage Duration: 6 months, Amount: 12.5 Million Tomans
- 2017 Principal investigator of an industrial project from Shatel Company for developing customer segmentation software

  Duration: 12 months, Amount: 12.5 Million Tomans
- 2017 Principal investigator of an industrial project from Pardakht Novin Company for developing document image validation software Duration: 6 months, Amount: 114 Million Tomans
- 2016 Grant from a company in Tosan Holding for developing speech processing systems Duration: 6 months, Amount: 3.750 Million Tomans

## Grants and Fundamental Projects

- 2022 Grant from Cognitive Science and Technologies Council for developing computer methods for Parkinson diagnosis Duration: 9 months, Amount: 222.2 Million Tomans
- 2021 Grant from Computer Science Branch of IPM for doing research in developing new optimization methods for 3D reconstruction Duration: 12 months, Amount: 9 Million Tomans
- 2019 Grant from Computer Science Branch of IPM for doing research in developing new optimization methods for 3D reconstruction Duration: 12 months, Amount: 9 Million Tomans
- 2019 Grant from Cognitive Science and Technologies Council for doing research in brain inspired modeling and design of primary visual cortex Duration: 12 months, Amount: 11 Million Tomans

2018 Grant from Computer Science Branch of IPM

for doing research in developing new methods for avoiding local minima problem in machine learning

Duration: 12 months, Amount: 9 Million Tomans

2017 Principal investigator of a fundamental project from Iranian National Science Foundation

for developing large-scale mixture models

Duration: 16 months, Amount: 20 Million Tomans

2017 Grant from Computer Science Branch of IPM

for doing research in manifold learning and optimization

Duration: 12 months, Amount: 9 Million Tomans

2016 Grant from Innovation Park of University of Tehran

for developing automatic blood testing system using image processing

Duration: 6 months, Amount: 4 Million Tomans

2016 Grant from Computer Science Branch of IPM

for doing research in manifold learning and optimization

Duration: 12 months, Amount: 8 Million Tomans

2014 Grant from National Elite Foundation

for further developing image compression algorithm

Duration: 6 months, Amount: 3 Million Tomans

#### Awards

2017 Winner of the Research Scholarship from National Elite Foundation This scholarship is awarded to highly qualified young faculty members Amount: 20 Million Tomans

2016 Winner of the National Elite Foundation Prizes (Housing Loan, Marriage Present)
The prizes are awarded only to highly qualified university graduates

2013 Winner of the Innovation Festival Prize

Winning the prize in the regional innovation festival

2010 Outstanding Research Scholarship

Research Scholarship from Max-Planck-Institute for doing outstanding research on image compression

Amount: 4 Thousands Euros

2009 Winner of the Great08Challenge prize

for the highest performance in the main challenge of GREAT08 PASCAL competition (Gravitational Lensing and Accuracy Testing 2008)

Amount: 1 Thousand Euros

2007 PhD Scholarship

Scholarship from Max-Planck-Institute for doing PhD studies

2000 Outstanding achievement in the university entrance examination Ranking number 1 in Kurdistan province (26 among nearly 100,000 participants) in the National University Admission exam in 2000, hence being able to enter the much sought after Tehran University.

1999 Khwarazmi Award

Award from Ministry of Education, for advancing into the highest stage of the prestigious Kharazmi Olympiad

1998 National Olympiad

Award from Ministry of Education, for succeeding in the National Scientific Olympiad in Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry

1995 Scientific Competition

Award from Ministry of Education, for obtaining the first rank in the scientific competition of the Kurdistan province

## Research Skills and Expertise

Machine Learning Deep learning, deep mixture models, metric learning, recommender systems, hidden-Markov models, reinforcement learning

Computer Vision Deep visual recognition, image modeling, 3D reconstruction, morphable models, image compression

Optimization Optimization on manifolds, large-scale methods, convex optimization, fixed-point algorithms

Wavelet Filterbank design, complex wavelet

Statistical Hypothesis testing, signal estimation, signal detection, general linear model modeling

Signal processing Filter design, stability analysis, power-spectrum estimation, speech processing

# Programming Languages

C++ Advanced knowledge in programming

Grade 20/20 in bachelor course "Computer Programming" (Except me only one person got the full grade among around 500 participants in university of Tehran)

Python Advanced knowledge in programming

MATLAB Advanced knowledge in programming

Visual C++ Basic knowledge in programming

## ——— Patents

- H. Pourmehrani, H. Moradi, and R. Hosseini. Flow detection system for leakage detection inside water pipes, June 2023. IR Patent 140150140003007515.
- M. Abbaszadeh, R. Hosseini, S. Saghari, and A. Taghizadeh. Automatic slide scanner with capability
  of joining to microscope as a motorized accessory, September 2018. IR Patent 139650140003004297.
- M. Bethge and R. Hosseini. Method and device for image compression, October 2014. US Patent 8,750,603.
- M. Bethge and R. Hosseini. Method and device for image compression, August 2013. EU Patent 2131594B1.

## Invited Talks

- R. Hosseini. Computer vision and industry, Jan 2023. Invited Talk at IAAA webinar, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Deep learning, Jan 2022. Invited Lectures at Turbovision Winter School at Part AI, Tehran.

- R. Hosseini. Computer vision, Sep 2022. Invited Lectures at Hamrah Academy Summer School at Part AI, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Deep learning, Jan 2020. Invited Talk at Data Science Winter School at University of Tehran, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Optimization on manifolds for machine learning, Jul 2019. Invited Talk at Amirkabir Artificial Intelligence Summer Summit, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Deep recurrent neural networks and applications, Feb 2019. Lecture in Deep Learning Tutorial Session at CiDaS Conference, Zanjan.
- R. Hosseini. Deep recurrent neural networks, Jul 2018. Lecture in Deep Learning Summer School at University of Tehran, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Semantic in perceptual systems as a compression tool: Evidence and consequences, Dec 2013. Invited Talk at BCNC Conference, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Natural image modelling, Jan 2013. Invited Talk at IPM, Tehran.
- R. Hosseini. Spectral stacking: Key to weak gravitational lensing, Jul 2009. Prize Winning Talk at Cosmosta09 Conference, Ascona.

## Publications

#### **Book Chapters**

- S. Sra and R. Hosseini. Geometric Optimization in Machine Learning. Springer, October 2016.
- R. Hosseini and S. Sra. Recent Advances in Stochastic Riemannian Optimization. Springer, 2019.

#### Journal Papers

- S. F. Razavi, R. Hosseini, and T. Behzad. FRMDN: Flow-based recurrent mixture density network. Expert Systems with Applications, 237:121360, 2023.
- S-M. Nasiri, R. Hosseini, and H. Moradi. The optimal triangulation method is not really optimal. *IET Image Processing*, pages 2855 2865, 2023.
- P. Baghershahi, R. Hosseini, and H. Moradi. Self-attention presents low-dimensional knowledge graph embeddings for link prediction. *Knowledge-Based Systems*, page 110124, 2023.
- M. H. Nasseri, M. Babaee, H. Moradi, and R. Hosseini. Online relational tracking with camera motion suppression. *Journal of Visual Communication and Image Representation*, page 103750, 2022.
- S-M. Nasiri, R. Hosseini, and H. Moradi. Multiple solution RANSAC for finding axes of symmetry in fragments of objects. *Pattern Recognition*, page 108805, 2022.
- Z. M. Kouzehkanan, S. Saghari, S. Tavakoli, P. Rostami, M. Abaszadeh, F. Mirzadeh, M. Gheidishahran E. S. Satlsar, F. Gorgi, S. Mohammadi, and R. Hosseini. A large dataset of white blood cells containing cell locations and types, along with segmented nuclei and cytoplasm. *Scientific Reports*, 11:1123, 2022.

- S. Tavakoli, A. Ghaffari, Z. M. Kouzehkanan, and R. Hosseini. New segmentation and feature extraction algorithm for classification of white blood cells in peripheral smear images. *Scientific Reports*, 11:19428, 2021.
- H. Asheri, R. Hosseini, and B. N. Araabi. A new em algorithm for flexibly tied gmms with large number of components. *Pattern Recognition*, 114:107836, 2021.
- S-M. Nasiri, R. Hosseini, and H. Moradi. Novel parametrization for gauss-newton methods in 3d pose graph optimization. *IEEE Transactions on Robotics*, 37(3):780 797, 2020.
- Y. Madadi, V. Seydi, K. Nasrollahi, R. Hosseini, and T. B. Moeslund. Deep visual unsupervised domain adaptation for classification tasks: A survey. *IET Image Processing*, 14(14):3283 3299, 2020.
- A. Khozaei, H. Moradi, R. Hosseini, H. Pouretemad, and B. Eskandari. Early screening of autism spectrum disorder using cry features. *PloS One*, 15(12):e0241690, 2020.
- R. Hosseini and S. Sra. An alternative to EM for Gaussian mixture models: Batch and stochastic Riemannian optimization. *Mathematical Programming, Series A*, 181(1):187 223, 2020.
- M. Hashemzadeh, R. Hosseini, and M. N. Ahmadabadi. Clustering subspace generalization to obtain faster reinforcement learning. *Evolving Systems*, 11(1):89 103, 2020.
- M. Hashemzadeh, R. Hosseini, and M. N. Ahmadabadi. Exploiting generalization in the subspaces for faster model-based reinforcement learning. *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems*, 30(6):1635 1650, 2019.
- P. H. Zadeh and R. Hosseini. Expected logarithm of central quadratic form and its use in KL-divergence of some distributions. *Entropy*, 18(8):278, 2016.
- A. Mehrjou, B. N. Araabi, and R. Hosseini. Improved Bayesian information criterion for mixture model selection. *Pattern Recognition Letters*, 69:22–27, 2016.
- R. Hosseini, S. Sra, L. Theis, and M. Bethge. Inference and mixture modeling with the elliptical gamma distribution. *Computational Statistics & Data Analysis*, 101:29–43, 2016.
- S. Sra and R. Hosseini. Conic geometric optimization on the manifold of positive definite matrices. Siam Journal on Optimization, 25(1):713–715, 2015.
- L. Theis, R. Hosseini, and M. Bethge. Mixtures of conditional Gaussian scale mixtures applied to multiscale image representations. *PLoS ONE*, 7(7):e39857, 2012.
- T. Kitching, A. Amara, M. Gill, S. Harmeling, C. Heymans, R. Massey, B. Rowe, T. Schrabback, L. Voigt, S. Balan, G. Bernstein, M. Bethge, S. Bridle, F. Courbin, M. Gentile, A. Heavens, M. Hirsch, R. Hosseini, A. Kiessling, D. Kirk, K. Kuijken, R. Mandelbaum, B. Moghaddam, G. Nurbaeva, S. Paulin-Henriksson, A. Rassat, J. Rhodes, B. Schölkopf, J. Shawe-Taylor, M. Shmakova, A. Taylor, M. Velander, L. van Waerbeke, D. Witherick, and D. Wittman. Gravitational lensing accuracy testing 2010 (great10) challenge handbook. The Annals of Applied Statistics, 5(3):2231–2263, 2011.
- R. Hosseini, F. Sinz, and M. Bethge. Lower bounds on the redundancy of natural images. *Vision Research*, 50(22):2213–2222, 2010.
- S. Bridle, S. T. Balan, M. Bethge, M. Gentile, S. Harmeling, C. Heymans, M. Hirsch, R. Hosseini, M. Jarvis, D. Kirk, T. Kitching, K. Kuijken, A. Lewis, S. Paulin-Henriksson, B. Schölkopf, M. Velander, L. Voigt, D. Witherick, A. Amara, G. Bernstein, F. Courbin, M. Gill, A. Heavens,

- R. Mandelbaum, R. Massey, B. Moghaddam, A. Rassat, A. Refregier, J. Rhodes, T. Schrabback, J. Shawe-Taylor, M. Shmakova, L. van Waerbeke, and D. Wittman. Results of the great08 challenge: An image analysis competition for cosmological lensing. *Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society*, 405(3):2044–2061, 2010.
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- S. M. Rouzban and R. Hosseini. A rate of convergence for two-block coordinate descent. Technical report, arXiv preprint arXiv:1901.08794, 2019.
- P. H. Zadeh, R. Hosseini, and S. Sra. Deep-RBF networks revisited: robust classification with rejection. Technical report, arXiv preprint arXiv:1812.03190, 2018.
- R. Hosseini and M. Mash'al. Mixest: An estimation toolbox for mixture models. Technical report, arXiv preprint arXiv:1507.06065, 2015.
- R. Hosseini and M. Bethge. Spectral stacking: Unbiased shear estimation for weak gravitational lensing. Technical report, Max Plank Institute for Biological Cybernetics, 2009.

#### Conference Papers

- R. Oji, S. F. Razavi, S. Abdi Dehsorkh, A. Hariri, H. Asheri, and R. Hosseini. Parsinorm: A persian toolkit for speech processing normalization. In *International Conference on Signal Processing and Intelligent Systems (ICSPIS)*, pages 1–5. IEEE, 2021. Best Paper Award.
- R. Godaz, B. Ghojogh, R. Hosseini, F. Karray, and M. Crowley. Vector transport free riemannian lbfgs for optimization on symmetric positive definite matrix manifolds. In *Asian Conference on Machine Leaning (ACML)*, pages 1–16. IEEE, 2021.
- T. Younesian, S. Masoudnia, R. Hosseini, and B. Nadjar Araabi. Active transfer learning for persian offline signature verification. In *International Conference on Pattern Recognition and Image Analysis (IPRIA)*, pages 234–239. IEEE, 2019.
- M. H. Nasseri, H. Moradi, S. M. Nasiri, and R. Hosseini. Power line detection and tracking using hough transform and particle filter. In *RSI International Conference on Robotics and Mechatronics (IcRoM)*, pages 130–134. IEEE, 2018.
- S. M. Nasiri, H. Moradi, and R. Hosseini. A linear least square initialization method for 3D pose graph optimization problem. In *IEEE International Conference on Robotics and Automation (ICRA)*, pages 2474–2479, 2018.
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- S. Sra, R. Hosseini, L. Theis, and M. Bethge. Data modeling with the elliptical gamma distribution. In *International Conference on Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)*, pages 903–911, 2015.
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- A. Mehrjou, B. N. Araabi, and R. Hosseini. Separation of multiplicative image components by Bayesian independent component analysis. In *International Conference on Pattern Recognition and Image Analysis (IPRIA)*, pages 1–7. IEEE, 2015.
- M. Mash'al and R. Hosseini. K-means++ for mixtures of von Mises-Fisher distributions. In Conference on Information and Knowledge Technology (IKT), pages 1–6. IEEE, 2015.
- R. Hosseini and S. Sra. Matrix manifold optimization for Gaussian mixtures. In *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)*, pages 910–918, 2015.
- S. Sra and R. Hosseini. Geometric optimisation on positive definite matrices for elliptically contoured distributions. In *Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS)*, pages 2562–2570, 2013.
- S. Hatami, R. Hosseini, M. Kamarei, and H. Ahmadi. Wavelet based fingerprint image enhancement. In *IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS)*, pages 4610–4613, 2005.