Mehdi Ashena

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Education

Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran

M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering - Digital Electronic Systems

Fall 2021 - Summer 2024

Fall 2017 - Summer 2021

Thesis Title: Automatic Recognition of Iranian DASTGAHs by Machine Learning Algorithms

Supervisor: Prof. Reza Ghaderi

Thesis Description:

This research focuses on the classification of Iranian Traditional Music modes (*DASTGAHs*) using machine learning algorithms. The study introduces the use of Error-Correcting Output Codes (ECOC) combined with a Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) network for the first time in this domain. The MLP-ECOC model achieved an accuracy of 96.32%, outperforming other models such as CNNs, RBF networks, LSTMs, and RNNs.

Islamic Azad University, Zarghan branch, Iran

B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering - Electronics

GPA: 3.2/4.0

Final Project Title: Analysis of Prediction for Heart Diseases Using Intelligent Algorithms

Supervisor: Prof. Soltani Sarvestani

Final Project Description:

The Research investigates the application of various intelligent algorithms for heart disease prediction, addressing challenges in accurate diagnosis within healthcare. Using algorithms such as K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN), Support Vector Machines (SVM), Multilayer Perceptron (MLP), and Naive Bayes, the model achieved an accuracy of 92% in predicting heart disease based on medical data.

Publications

M. Ashena, R. Ghaderi, "Classification (Type Identification) Of Iranian Traditional Music with Combination of Simple Networks" *Journal of New Music Research*, 2024, Under Review.

M. Ashena, R. Ghaderi, "Dimensionality Reduction and Neural Networks for Music Information Retrieval: A Case Study of Iranian Traditional Music", in Preparation

Research Interests

- Artificial Intelligence
- Neural Networks
- Deep Learning
- Generative Ai
- Reinforcement learning
- Pattern Recognition
- Signal Processing

- Music Technology
- Music Information Retrieval
- Sound and Music Computing
- Music Perception and Cognition
- Computational Musicology
- Programming Languages and Software Engineering

Awards and Honors

First Prize in Music Performance (Second Consecutive Year), Royesh Festival, Shahid Beheshti University, Telegran	ehran, 2023
Certificate of Appreciation, Fars Symphony Orchestra, Fars, Iran	2023
First Prize in Music Performance, Royesh Festival, Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran	2022
Best Department Manager of all the Inform/Legrand Holding Iran, Iran	2018
Employee of the Year, Rasana Pardazesh Co., Shiraz, Iran	2018
Certificate of Appreciation by President of Medis Holding Co., Shiraz, Iran	2018
Certificate of Appreciation by Technician President of Shiraz University of Medical Science, Shiraz, Iran	2017
Certificate of Appreciation by President of Fars Technical and Vocational Training Organization ,Shiraz,	Iran 2015

Skills

Programming Languages: Flash, Visual Basic Studio, MATLAB, Python, MaxMSP

Python Notable Proficiencies: TensorFlow, librosa, PyTorch, scikit-learn, SciPy, Keras Applications: Adobe, Microsoft Office, COMOSOL Operating Systems: Windows, macOs, LINUX

Selected Teaching Experiences

Santour (Persian Musical Instrument) Instructor	2016 - Present
Rhythm, Theory Instructor	2021 - Present
Teaching Assistant with the Course of Linear Control Systems	2020
Tutoring Assistant with the Course of Electric Machines II	2020
Teaching Assistant with the Course of Digital Systems I	2019
Teaching Assistant with the Course of Electric Machines I	2019
Teaching Assistant with the Course of Digital Systems I Lab	2019
Teaching Assistant with the Course of an Industrial Electronics Lab	2018
Tutoring Assistant with the Course of an Engineering Mathematics Course	2018
Taught at Workshop of Optimal Selection of UPS for Data Center (for over 20 Organizations), Iran	2018
Taught the Applications of Solar Energy for Compact Use at Fars Technical and Vocational Traini Organization Shiraz, Iran	ng 2015

Presentations

Presented at the Conference of Optimized and Reliable data Center Powering Solutions, Shiraz Municipality	r
Shiraz, Iran	2016

Presented at the Conference of UPS Applications in Hospitals, Shiraz University of Medical Science, Shiraz, Iran

Selected Courses and Grades

•	Industrial Electronics Lab	4/4
•	Electronics I Lab	4/4
•	Digital Systems I Lab	4/4
•	Digital Systems I	4/4
•	Engineering Mathematics	4/4
•	Electric Machines I /II	4/4
•	Digital Signal Processing	4/4
•	Linear Control Systems	4/4
•	CMOS Circuit Design	4/4

Work Experiences

Electro Pardis Co.

Research and Development Manager	Feb 2023 - Present
Honar Shahr Aftab Educational Center	
Music Instructor	July 2020 - Present
Faraz Music Institute	
Music Instructor	Dec 2019 - Present
Delavaz Music Institute	
Music Instructor	Oct 2016 - Present
Rasana Pardazesh Co.	
Research and Development Manager	Jan 2016 - May 2019
Rasana Pardazesh Co.	
Department Manager	May 2017 - May 2019
Rasana Pardazesh Co.	
Marketing Manager	Mar 2015 - May 2017
Rasana Pardazesh Co.	
Installation and Repair Technician	Aug 2013 - Mar 2015

Selected Professional Experiences

Music Instructor in more than 5 Music Schools and Music Institutes

Shiraz, Iran 2016-Present

Cooperated the Production line of UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply) and Stabilizers with Mega Modavem Co. (Inform/Legrand Official Head Office in Iran)

Tehran, Iran 2019

Consulted and Designed UPS and Battery Room for MRI room at Fasa University of Medical Science

Fasa, Iran 2019

Consulted and Designed Diesel Generator Room at Lar University of Medical Science Lar, Iran 2019

Consultant and Supervisor at Fars ICT Guild Organization Shiraz, Iran 2017 - 2019

Supervisor of Data Server Room Building in Medis Holding Co. Shiraz, Iran2018 - 2019

Designed Data Server Room in Medis Holding Co. (Including Power Room, Monitoring Room and Ups Room)
Shiraz, Iran 2018

Supervisor and Consulter of Electronic Medical Devices and UPS at Yasouj University of Medical Science Yasouj, Iran 2017

Consulted and Designed UPS and Battery Room at Shiraz University

Shiraz, Iran 2015

Setup more than 1000 UPSs in Hospitals, Industrial Centers, Datacenters, Offices, and Server Rooms across the country

2013 - 2015

Serviced more than 2000 UPSs in Hospitals, Industrial Centers, Data centers, Offices, Server Rooms across the country 2013 - 2015

Repaired More than 100 UPSs in Hospitals, Industrial Centers, Data centers, Offices, Server Rooms across the country 2013 - 2015

Selected Concerts and Performances

Performed with Fars Symphony Orchestra as a Santour Soloist	Shiraz, Iran, 2022
Performed with Shahre Raz Ensemble as a Santour Soloist (Composer: Sepehr Pirasteh)	Shiraz, Iran 2018
Performed with Sarv Ensemble as a Composer and a Santour Player	Shiraz, Iran 2017
Performed with Shahre Raz Ensemble as a Santour Soloist	Shiraz, Iran 2017
Performed with String Quartet as a Santour Soloist (Composer: Sepehr Pirasteh)	Shiraz, Iran 2016
Performed with Trio Group as a Composer and a Santour Player	Shiraz, Iran 2016
Performed Duet as a Santour Player	Shiraz, Iran 2016

Other Activities

Visited the New Product line of UPS Models (PF=1) at the Inform Co. (as a Part of Legrand group)

Istanbul, Turkey 2019

Visited the Saba Battery Co. (Biggest Battery Manufacturing Company in Iran)

Tehran, Iran 2019

Visited the OZDISAN Group (the Biggest Distributary of Component in the Middle East)

Istanbul, Turkey 2018

Visited the Sazand Co. (Manufacturer and Supplier of Power and Control Systems)

Tehran. Iran 2019

Selected online courses

- Audio Signal Processing for Music Applications (Coursera, Xavier Serra)
- Coding with Mosh (Udemy, Moshfegh Hamedani)
- PyTorch for Deep Learning with Python Bootcamp (Udemy)
- Deep Learning A-Z: Hands-On Artificial Neural Networks (edX)
- Introduction to Music Technology (edX, AdelaideX)
- Programming Max: Structuring Interactive Software for Digital Arts I (Kadenze)
- Computing in Python I: Fundamentals and Procedural Programming (edX, Georgia Institute of Technology)
- Introduction to Python Programming (edX)

Languages

Persian: Native English: Fluent

- TOFEL iBT: 96 (Reading: 20 Listening: 30 Speaking 24 Writing: 22)

French: Elementary

References

From Academia

Available upon request

From Industry

Available upon request