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Research Interests

My research is focused on large-scale machine learning with an emphasis on theory, algorithms, and applications of graph representation learning, LLMs, generative AI, as well as sampling and inference.

Education


- 2008 – 2015  **Ph.D. in Computer Science, Purdue University, CS Dept.**
Thesis title: *Scaling Up Network Analysis and Mining: Statistical Sampling, Estimation, and Pattern Discovery.*
- 2012 – 2014  **M.Sc. in Computer Science and Statistics, Purdue University, CS/Stat Departments.**
- 2003 – 2006  **M.Sc., Cairo University, Faculty of Computer Science and Information**
Thesis title: *A Proposed Intrusion Detection System for Encrypted Computer Networks.*
- 2001  **B.Sc., Cairo University, Faculty of Computer Science and Information (Summa Cum Laude).**
Thesis title: *Arabic Speech Recognition using Hidden Markov Models.*
Ranking 2nd among over 500 students

Experience

- 2015 – present **Senior Staff Research Scientist & Technical Lead**, Intel Labs, Santa Clara, CA.
 - 2015 **Research Scientist**, Technicolor Research & Innovation Labs, Palo Alto, CA.
- 2008 – 2015 **PhD Candidate & Researcher**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.
 - 2014 **Research Intern**, Meta, Menlo Park, CA.
 - 2013 **Research Intern**, Intel Corp, Folsom, CA.
 - 2012 **Research Intern**, Adobe Research, San Jose, CA.
- 2005-2008 **Research Fellow**, Data Mining & Computer Modeling Center of Excellence in Cairo, United Nations Development Program.
- 2001-2008 **Researcher & Lecturer**, Computer Science, Cairo Univeristy, Egypt.
- 2006-2008 **Cisco Certified Instructor**, CCNA Networking Academy Program, Cairo University.
- 2008 **Visiting Researcher & Lecturer**, Computer Science, German Univeristy in Cairo, Media Engineering & Technology.

Research Publications

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Recent Keynote and Invited Talks

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| Feb 2023 | How to Leverage Network Structure to Improve Reasoning and Prediction — Invited talk at AAAI workshop on Graphs and more Complex structures for Learning and Reasoning (GCLR). |
| Apr 2023 | AI-based Compiler Optimization using Reinforcement Learning — Invited talk at Intel oneAPI Forum and Fellow Summit. |
| Sep 2022 | AI for systems and Beyond — Invited talk at the MIT College of Computing, Breakthrough tech AI initiative. |
| Dec 2022 | Graph Learning and Systems: New Opportunities and Challenges — Keynote at IEEE big data workshop on High Performance Big Graph Data Management, Analysis, and Mining. |
| Aug 2022 | Graph Representation Learning: Opportunities and Challenges — Guest Lecture at the Technical University of Denmark (DTU), Advanced Topics in Machine Learning Course. |
| Apr 2022 | Structured Representation Learning and Reasoning — Invited talk at Intel Labs Staff forum. |
| Aug 2019 | Statistical Network Models: How to Leverage Network Structure to Improve Estimation and Prediction — Keynote at the 2nd SIGKDD Workshop on Offline and Online Evaluation of Interactive Systems. |

- Rolezvec: Role-based Network Embeddings — Presentation at the SIGKDD Workshop on Deep Learning for Graphs (DLG).
- Feb 2019 Representation Learning in Large Attributed and Dynamic Graphs — Invited talk at SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering.
- Jun 2018 Sampling from Massive Graph Streams: A Unifying Framework — Invited talk at Dagstuhl Seminar on High-Performance Graph Algorithms, Germany
- May 2018 The power of motif counting: Theory, Algorithms, and Applications for Large Graphs — Keynote at the IPDPS workshop on the Intersection of Graph Algorithms and Machine Learning (GraPL)
- Sep 2018 High-Performance Graph Analytics — Invited talk at The Southern Data Science Conference, Atlanta, GA.

Outreach

- 2024 Invited Mentor at the University of Santa Cruz Capstone Program - NLP Masters students
- 2023 Invited Mentor at the Break Through Tech AI initiative hosted by MIT college of computing to bridge the talent gap for women and underrepresented genders
- 2021 Invited Mentor at the Intel Speed Mentoring for Summer Interns
Invited Mentor at the AAI Women Mentoring Session
Invited Panelist at the IPDPS Career Panel
Invited Mentor at the Intel MentorNet Program for STEM Students
- 2019 Invited Panelist at the Workshop on Irregular Applications: Architecture and Algorithms at Super Computing
Invited Mentor, First Open NetSci Hackathon at NetSci
- 2018 Invited Mentor, Women in Machine Learning at NIPS
Circle Leader, Intel Corp - Pay It Forward Program, mentorship and development opportunities for women
- 2017 AI Track Committee Member, Grace Hopper Conference of Women in Computing (GHC17)
Program Committee Member, Workshop for Women in Machine Learning at NIPS (WiML)
- 2016 Invited Panelist/Mentor at Stanford Artificial Intelligence Laboratory's Outreach Summer Program for Rising 10th Grade Girls (SAILORS), Stanford University - Goal: Expose high school students in underrepresented populations to the field of Artificial Intelligence
Invited Mentor at the Women in Machine Learning Breakfast Event, at the AAI conference on Artificial Intelligence, Phoenix, AZ
Invited Panelist, Machine Learning Panel, Intel Software Professionals Conference (SWPC), Intel Corp.
- 2014 Invited Mentor at Purdue University Graduate Mentoring Program - Goal: Assist new incoming CS graduate students with their transition into graduate school and help them in developing their social and academic networks

Honors and Awards

- 2023 Featured research by Montreal AI Ethics Institute — Bias and Fairness in Large Language Models.
- 2022 Intel Labs Recognition Award for Outstanding Contributions.

- 2020 Senior member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE).
Intel Labs Recognition Award for Outstanding Contributions.
Intel Labs Recognition Inventor Award.
- 2019 Intel Labs Recognition Award for Outstanding Contributions.
- 2018 Nominated for ACM Practitioners Board.
- 2017 Finalist award in Traingle Counting — IEEE/Amazon/DARPA Graph Challenge for High-performance Graph Analytics, IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing Conference.
Finalist award in Truss Decomposition — IEEE/Amazon/DARPA Graph Challenge for High-performance Graph Analytics, IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing Conference.
- 2015 Best Paper Candidate, IEEE conference on data mining (ICDM)
Travel award to attend CRA-W women career workshop, Computing Research Association for Women.
- 2014 Rising Stars Award from the University of California Berkeley — Awarded to top female Ph.D. candidates and postdocs in electrical engineering and computer science.
- 2024 Featured research by MIT Technology Review — Groupon, Daily Deals and the Complex Question of Business Failure.
- 2008 - 2015 Graduate Research Assistantship, Purdue University, Computer Science.
- 2005–2008 Research fellowship in data mining and machine learning — United Nations Development Program (UNDP) — Awarded to top egyptian graduate students.
- 1997–2001 Cairo University fellowship, Awarded to outstanding undergraduate students.
- 2013 Intel Ph.D. fellowship nomination by Purdue University for research in algorithms for big graphs.
- 2012 Best Paper Runner-Up Award, SIGKDD Workshop on big data, streams and source mining (Bigmine)
WiML Travel award for the women in machine learning workshop at Neurips
- 2011 Purdue Travel award to attend the Grace Hopper celebration of women in computing.
- 2010 SIGKDD Travel award to attend the SIGKDD conference on knowledge discovery and data mining.
- 2007 Ranking 5th in the Artificial Neural Network and Computational Intelligence Forecasting Competition (NN3) for timeseries prediction using ML, organized by SAS and International Institute of Forecasters.
- 2001 Ranking 2nd among over 500 students , Faculty of Computer Science and Information, Cairo University.

Research Awards & Funding

- 2022-2024 Machine Learning or Code Generation. Intel Labs, Total: \$180,000. PI: Nesreen Ahmed.
- 2023-2025 Device Placement Optimization using AI Methods. Intel Labs, Total: \$225,000. PI: Nesreen Ahmed.
- 2016 Approximation Methods for Massive Graph Analytics. Intel Labs, Total: \$30,000. PI: Nesreen Ahmed.
- 2022 GNN-based Code Representation and Compiler Optimization. Intel Labs, Total: \$30,000. PI: Nesreen Ahmed.
- 2020 Programmable Graph-based Learning for Heterogeneous Computing Systems. Intel Labs, Total: \$10,000. PI: Nesreen Ahmed.

- 2018-2023 NSF, Collaborative Research: Framework: Software: CINES: A Scalable Cyberinfrastructure for Sustained Innovation in Network Engineering and Science, PIs: Jure Leskovec (Stanford), Geoffrey Fox (IU), and Madhav Marathe (VT), Total: \$4M.
- 2020-2022 NSF, EAGER: Adaptive Sampling of Massive Graph Streams, PI: Nick Duffield, TAMU, Total: \$200,000

Professional Service

Conference/Workshop Organization

- 2024 Workshop Co-Chair and Organizer — Machine Learning on Graphs (MLOG), co-located with the ACM International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining (WSDM).
- 2023 Seminar Organizer — Dagstuhl Seminar on Scalable Graph Mining and Learning.
PhD Consortium Co-Chair — ACM conference on knowledge discovery and data mining (SIGKDD).
PC Co-Chair — Workshop on Irregular Applications: Architectures and Algorithms, co-located with SuperComputing
- 2022 Demo track Co-Chair — ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM).
- 2021-2024 Workshop Co-Chair and Organizer — Graphs, Architectures, Programming, and Learning (GrAPL), co-located with International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS).
- 2019 Sponsorship Chair — SIAM International Conference on Data Mining (SDM).
- 2016-2023 Workshop Co-Chair and Organizer — Big Graphs Workshop on High Performance Big Graph Data Management, Analysis, and Mining, co-located with IEEE Big Data.
- 2018 Program Committee Chair — IEEE Big Data Conference, Industry and Government Track.

Journal Editorial Board

- 2020-2021 Associate Editor, IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems (TNNLS).
- 2019-2020 Associate Editor, IEEE Signal Processing Magazine.
- 2018-Present Member, Frontiers in Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence.

Senior Program Committee

- 2021-2024 ACM Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (SIGKDD).
- 2023 National Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI).

TPC and Journal Reviewing

- 2008-present Neurips, ICML, ICLR, SIGKDD, WWW, AAAI, IJCAI, ICPP, HiPC, VLDB, CIKM, DSAA, JMLR, TKDD, TKDE, TODS, TPDS, VLDB, DMKD, KAIS, TNNLS.

Government Panels and Other Committees

- 2020-present Intel proposal funding for AI research.
- 2024 Intel publication award committee for AI research.
- 2021 NSF Proposals Review/Panel.
SIAM nomination committee for data science.

Open Source Software & Datasets

Graph Data Repository	Network Repository is the first and largest network data repository with interactive analytics and visualization, with 500+ publicly available graph datasets, and a tool enabling graph query and search. https://networkrepository.com
Interactive Graph Visualization	GraphVis is a tool for interactive synthetic graph generation and visualization. https://networkrepository.com/graphvis.php
Open Source Graph Library	Parallel Graphlet Decomposition Library (PGD) is a library for massive graph decomposition. http://graphlets.org
Open Source RL for vectorization	NeuroVectorizer is a framework using deep reinforcement learning (RL) to predict optimal vectorization parameters for compiler pragmas in C and C++ for loops. https://github.com/intel/neurovectorizer
LLVM Code Graph Representation	PerfoGraph is a tool that constructs a language agnostic LLVM-based graph representation of code for program synthesis using machine learning. PerfoGraph representations are numerically aware, contain composite data structure information, and properly present variables. https://github.com/tehranixyz/perfograph

Skills

Languages	Strong reading, writing and speaking competencies for English and Arabic.
Coding	Python, MATLAB, C/C++, OpenMP, PHP, JavaScript
Misc.	Academic research, algorithm development, teaching, conference/journal publishing.