#### Niloofar Didar

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#### SUMMARY

Experienced Software Engineer with a PhD in Computer Science and 6+ years of experience in mobile and embedded systems, microservice architectures, optimization algorithms, and a strong background in Java, C++, Python. Experienced in the full software development lifecycle, including end-to-end deployment to production environments and working with cross-functional teams. Skilled in distributed computing, REST APIs integration, CI/CD pipelines, and deploying scalable solutions on cloud platforms Google cloud.

### **TECHNICAL SKILL**

Programming Languages: Java, C++/C#, Python, Kotlin, JavaScript, CSS, HTML, XML, Json, Ajax, jQuery

Framework: Flask, Spring Boot, Visual Studio, Android Studio, Eclipse, IntelliJ, PyCharm.

Cloud Platforms: Google Cloud, AWS.

API Development: REST API, Json, POSTMAN, Swagger, GraphQL.

Databases: SQL Server, SQLite, RDBMS, Cornerstone.

Dev tools: Git, GitHub, Gitlab, Docker, Gradle, Maven, Linux (Bash/shell script).

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Software Engineer III, American Express

August 2024 – Present

- Designed and implemented backend Java REST APIs to track user offers and interactions, validating Kafka event publishing to the data warehouse with SQL.
- Built and deployed a Spring Boot scalable application to Google Cloud platform (GCP) using Pub/Sub and Bigtable in an event-driven, serverless architecture.
- Engineered and deployed an inner-source **Java** utility leveraging geospatial data of merchants to calculate day-hour segment, improving time calculation accuracy by **40%** and adopted company-wide.
- Resolved critical bugs in the nearby merchant offers API in Java, improving the accuracy of business
  rule implementation and boosting mobile app user engagement.
- Developed a custom asynchronous HTTP client to optimize non-blocking REST API interaction and improve backend service response time efficiency by around 180ms.
- Led a technical workshop on GCP serverless solutions, driving cloud adoption and best practices among engineering teams in American Express.

### **Graduate Research Assistant, Wayne State University, Detroit**

August 2019 – January 2024

- Developed an **Android mobile framework** (Java/Kotlin) as a base for 3 projects **optimizing AI** and multimedia **performance** on mobile systems.
- Integrated Bayesian optimization, algorithms, data analysis, and Al accelerators (GPU, NPU) using Java and Python to relocate TensorFlow Lite tasks on resource constrained devices, achieving a 3.5x improvement in response time and a 49% enhancement in user experience.
- Employed machine learning methods and optimization algorithms for Android Mobile Application
  Performance Optimization, achieving a 16.5% reduction in the mobile device energy usage and 60%
  storage usage cut, surpassing existing schemes.
- Built Python-based utilities for autonomous system modeling, enabling 90%+ accurate prediction of user experience and power usage, and deep learning inference throughput.
- Enhanced profitability and task allocation rate of cloud sharing systems by **22.8%** and **25%** through designing a best-fit algorithm in **Java**, **Python** for optimized task distribution among resources.
- Improved mobile system performance through offloading and on-device optimization techniques, trading off between user experience and deep learning models response time 92% of the time compared to other methods.
- Designed and implemented tooling for performance profiling and visualization, improving verification efficiency for edge-based AR applications
- Created an **autonomous Python tool** utilizing 3D graphic software (Blender) and mathematical models to predict user experience of virtual objects in augmented reality apps. (Available on GitHub).

- Authored 6 peer-reviewed papers on mobile computing, edge systems, and augmented reality, including publications in top venues such as IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing and TPDS.
- Led research projects, mentored 10+ students in code reviews/software implementation for five years.

# Software Engineer Intern, Motional Co., Pittsburgh

May 2022 - August 2022

- Developed a web service (frontend/UI and backend) using Flask, Python, jQuery, JavaScript,
   HTML, CSS, and Docker for analyzing and testing collected data from Hyundai vehicles.
- Implemented SQLite database system, and crafted Queries for autonomous vehicle data analysis.
- Developed REST APIs with Swagger facilitating connectivity between the web services.

## Freelance Full stack developer

Jan 2024 - Feb 2024

• Developed a web service for retrieving healthcare information from PubMed website. A project assigned by Yale University using **Python**, **JavaScript**, **HTML**, **REST API**, and Docker in PyCharm.

Research Engineer, Wireless Networks lab, Shahid Beheshti University, September 2015 - January 2018

- Trained a data set of 600 students via **machine learning algorithms** SOM and LVQ for clustering and prediction of their grade in MATLAB. Achieved **88%** success in clustering and **78%** prediction accuracy.
- Implemented an IoT path recommendation system for fire incidents in smart buildings using objectoriented **Java**. Achieved a **20.5%** improvement in people's survival rate compared to similar systems.
- Designed a wireless system using SunSPOT sensors **Java** and conducted tests to analyze the impact of data perception, communication, transmission, and system architecture on overall energy efficiency.
- Collaborated on the design of an integrated architecture for smart university leveraging internet of things.
- Instructor of "Advanced Computer Networks" and "Cisco Packet Tracer for Network" labs.

# Shahid Beheshti University – *Undergraduate Projects*

January 2012- January 2015

- Implemented an information and communication web service for the computer engineering department
  of SBU, Using ASP.Net, C#, HTML, CSS, XML, JavaScript, and MS SQL Server. This web enabled
  users to interact with each other using services such as data sharing, discussion rooms.
- Implemented, debugged, and tested many projects including Yahoo Messenger, Wikipedia, game apps, software design, relational databases, and web application using object oriented programming languages C++, C#, ASP.NET, and SQL, Bootstrap. These helped in advancing problem solving and analysis skills.
- Knowledgeable in computer science fundamentals: data structures and algorithm design.

# **EDUCATION**

Wayne State University, MI

**Doctor of Philosophy** in **Computer Science** (GPA: **4/4**)

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August 2019 - January 2024

Shahid Beheshti University

Master of Science in Computer Engineering (GPA: 3.91/4) September 2015 - January 2018

Shahid Beheshti University

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering, (GPA: 3.3/4) September 2010 - January 2015

# **Areas Of Expertise**

Distributed Systems
 High-Performance Computing
 Mobile/Web applications
 Data Structures and Algorithms
 Cloud computing platforms

- Microservice Architectures - Object-Oriented Programming

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

- Collaborated on an NSF proposal by conducting experimental data collection, which was subsequently awarded by the NSF career program around \$576k (Sep 2019 Jan 2024).
- Rumble Fellowship award from Wayne State University (Aug 2019 Aug 2020).