

# AMIR ALI POUR | PhD



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## EXPERIENCE

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- **École de Technologie Supérieure | Cloud-to-Edge laboratory**   
*Postdoctoral Researcher* Sept 2023 - present  
Montreal, Quebec, Canada
  - Exploring new research tracks on the combination of machine learning and distributed systems.
  - Exploring Federated Learning from Security and Distributed Systems perspective.
  - Building a new research platform for FL on a large fleet of heterogeneous machines connected via MQTT.
- **SGS-Brightsight**   
*Hardware Security Evaluator* Feb 2023 - Sept 2023  
Delft, The Netherlands
  - Evaluating embedded system security using Side-Channel Analysis techniques.
  - Identifying and reporting vulnerabilities through EM and Power side channels.
- **Grenoble Alpes University | LCIS laboratory**   
*Research and Teaching Assistant* Oct 2019 - Dec 2022  
Valnce, Rhone Alpes, France
  - Modeling evaluation of Physically Unclonable Functions (PUF) with Machine Learning.
  - Numerical Simulation of Cryptographic systems with MATLAB and python.
  - Embedded System Programming with embedded C.
  - Hardware Design with VHDL on FPGAs.
  - Published several IEEE journal and conference papers.
  - Paper presentation at several conferences such as ISVLSI, ISQED, and ICCAD.
- **Clemson University | IS-WIN lab**   
*Visiting PhD Student and Researcher* Nov 2021 - March 2022  
Clemson, South Carolina, USA
  - Modeling evaluation of Physically Unclonable Functions (PUF) with Machine Learning.
  - Designed a Cryptographic algorithm using PUF and ML.
  - Numerical Simulation of Cryptographic systems with MATLAB and python.
  - Published a conference paper accepted in ISVLSI 2022.
  - Organized the TEPN workshop for DCOSS 2022 conference.
- **Grenoble INP | LCIS laboratory**   
*Research Intern* Feb 2019 - Jul 2019  
Valence, Rhone Alpes, France
  - Deep Learning based Side Channel Analysis of AES algorithm.
  - Studied the Differential power analysis based on machine learning.
  - Published an IEEE conference paper accepted in DATE 2020 conference.
- **Karina Mobile Solutions** 2016 - 2017  
Tehran, Iran  
*Video Game Developer (Part-time)*
  - Gameplay Programming and Editor development on Unity3D
  - Porting and Testing Video Games for Android Platform
- **Spooky Guys Indie Game Development Team** 2011 - 2012 & 2013 - 2015  
Tehran, Iran  
*Founder and Technical Lead*
  - Gameplay Feature Design and Development
  - Level Design Tools Development (Spooky2D)
- **Medrick Game Studio** 2012 - 2013  
Tehran, Iran  
*Video Game Developer (Part-time)*
  - Mobile Video Game Development on Unity3D


## EDUCATION

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- **Grenoble Alpes University** Oct 2019 - Dec 2022  
*PhD in Nanoelectronics and Nanotechnology* Valence, France
  - Dissertation: PUF Utilization with Machine Learning for Resource Constrained Cyber-Physical Systems
  - Advisors: Dr. David Hely, Prof. Vincent Beroulle, Dr. Giorgio Di Natale
- **Grenoble INP** Sept 2018 - Sept 2019  
*Master in Embedded Systems Security and Trust* Valence, France
  - Internship: Side Channel Analysis of AES encryption using deep learning
  - Advisor: Dr. David Hely
- **Azad University of Tehran (South branch)** Sept 2011 - Sept 2016  
*Bachelor of Science in Computer Software Engineering* Tehran, Iran
  - Project: Procedural Content generation for 3D environment design using Unity3D

## TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

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- **Grenoble INP Esisar**  2019 - 2022  
Valence, Rhone Alpes, France
  - Taught a class on theories of Physically Unclonable Function.
  - Lab instructor of Realtime Operating Systems course.
  - Lab instructor of System on Chip course.
  - Lab instructor of Side Channel Analysis course.
  - Lab instructor of Hardware design with VHDL course.
  - Supervisor of a project for the innovative project campaign in 2019 comprising three graduate students.
  - Supervisor of two undergraduate projects comprising a total of four undergraduate students.
  - Developed teaching materials, quizzes, and projects for a class on theories of Physically Unclonable Functions. The materials were contributions also to a European project called EMNESS.

## SKILLS

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- **Programming Languages:** Python, C#.Net, C++, MATLAB, JavaScript
- **Data Science & Machine Learning:** Pytorch, Tensorflow, Hugging Face, Weights&Biases
- **Edge/Cloud Technologies:** MQTT, Docker, Kubernetes
- **DevOps & Version Control:** Github
- **Specialized Area:** Hardware design with VHDL
- **Mathematical & Statistical Tools:** MATLAB
- **Other Tools & Technologies:** Unity3D







## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- **Scholarship of Excellence** Oct 2019  
*Grenoble Alpes University*
  - Awarded a scholarship of Excellence from IDEX to pursue my PhD studies at Grenoble Alpes University
- **Scholarship of Excellence** Sept 2018  
*Grenoble INP*
  - Awarded 8000 € scholarship of Excellence from IDEX to pursue my master's program in Grenoble INP

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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- **Student lead Organizer** November 9 - 11, 2020  
*Applied research Competition, Cybersecurity Awareness Weekend (CSAW) in Europe* 
  - Part of the committee in selecting and evaluating competition candidates
  - Organized Poster and Technical presentations
- **Student co-lead Organizer** November 9 - 11, 2021  
*Applied research Competition, Cybersecurity Awareness Weekend (CSAW) in Europe* 
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  - Organized Poster and Technical presentations
- **Web chair** May 30 - June 02 2022  
*Workshop on Test and Evaluation of Programmable Networks, DCOSS conference* 
  - Developed and maintained a website for the workshop
- **TPC member** January 6 - 10 2025  
*Workshop on Machine Intelligence in Networked Data and Systems (MINDS), COMSNETS conference* 
  - Part of the committee to review scientific papers.
- **TPC member** July 20 - 23 2025  
*Workshop on Engineering Techniques for Distributed Computing Continuum Systems (EDCCS), ICDCS conference* 
  - Part of the committee to review scientific papers.
- **Co-Organizer** May 5 - 9 2025  
*Colloquium on the Synergie between software engineering and Artificial Intelligence, 92nd Acfas Congeres* 
  - Part of the committee in selecting and evaluating keynote presentations nad posters for the colloquim.
  - Handling the Logistics and organization of the colloquim.
- **Peer Reviewer** 2021 - present
  - Computer Networks
  - Sustainable Computing: Informatic and Systems
  - Journal of Cloud Computing
  - IEEE Access
  - COMSNETS MINDS workshop
  - ICDCS EDCCS workshop
  - INFOCOM
  - IEEE WCNEE
  - Ad-Hoc Networks
  - IEEE COINS

## CERTIFICATIONS

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- **MITX : EDX verified Machine Learning with Python-From Linear Models to Deep Learning** December 2020

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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**Languages:** Persian (Mother Language), English (Fluent), French (Intermediate)

**Interests:** Machine Learning, Distributed Computing, Data Privacy, Computer Security, Constrained Systems