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## EDUCATION

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### University of Southern California

PhD in Computer Science

Advisors: Aram Galstyan and Greg Ver Steeg

Coursework:

- CSCI 670: Advanced analysis of algorithms, Fall 2018
- EE 546: Mathematics of high-dimensional data, Fall 2018
- DSO 699: Statistical learning theory, Spring 2018
- CSCI 699: Advanced topics in deep learning, Spring 2018
- CSCI 699: Theoretical machine learning, Fall 2019
- CSCI 699: Topics in Discrete Optimization and Learning, Fall 2020

Teaching assistantship:

- CSCI 670: Advanced analysis of algorithms, Fall 2019
- CSCI 270: Introduction to Algorithms and Theory of Computing, Spring 2020

Aug. 2018 - present

Current GPA: 4.0

### Yerevan State University

MSc in Discrete Mathematics and Theoretical Informatics

Thesis: Extension of linear CorEx for time series

Advisor: Anahit Chubaryan

Sept. 2016 - June 2018

GPA: 19.9/20

### Yerevan State University

BSc in Computer Science and Applied Mathematics

Thesis: Spoken language identification with deep learning

Advisor: Armen Andreasyan

Sept. 2012 - June 2016

GPA: 19.6/20

## EXPERIENCE

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### Amazon.com, Inc

*Applied Scientist Intern*

Project: Test error prediction and analysis via sample information measures

- Estimating the number of samples needed to reach a certain level of performance in a supervised learning task
- Finding which sub-populations of examples should be sampled more in order to achieve the goal efficiently

May 2021 - Aug. 2021

### Amazon.com, Inc

*Applied Scientist Intern*

Project: Information content of samples

- Defining and estimating the unique information content of samples in supervised learning tasks

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

### USC Information Sciences Institute

*Graduate Research Assistant*

Project: Global analysis of weak signals for enterprise event detection

Aug. 2018 - Dec. 2019

- Detecting network attacks and malicious activity using temporal covariance estimation and graph embedding methods

## YerevaNN Research Lab

June 2016 - July 2018

Machine Learning Researcher

The main topics of my research were:

- Establishing benchmarks for clinical prediction tasks
- Automated question answering using deep learning
- Representation learning with generative models

## USC Information Sciences Institute

June 2017 - Sept. 2017

Machine Learning Researcher, Intern

Projects I worked on:

- Learning disentangled representations via synergy minimization
- Temporal covariance estimation using non-overlapping Gaussian latent factor models

## RESEARCH

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- [1] T. Galstyan, **H. Harutyunyan**, H. Khachatrian, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. Failure Modes of Domain Generalization Algorithms. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2111.13733*, 2021
- [2] **H. Harutyunyan**, M. Raginsky, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. Information-theoretic generalization bounds for black-box learning algorithms. *NeurIPS*, 2021
- [3] **H. Harutyunyan**, A. Achille, G. Paolini, O. Majumder, A. Ravichandran, R. Bhotika, S. Soatto. Estimating informativeness of samples with Smooth Unique Information. *ICLR*, 2021
- [4] **H. Harutyunyan**, K. Reing, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. Improving Generalization by Controlling Label-Noise Information in Neural Network Weights. *ICML*, 2020
- [5] GV. Steeg, **H. Harutyunyan**, D. Moyer, A. Galstyan. Fast structure learning with modular regularization. *NeurIPS*, 2019
- [6] **H. Harutyunyan**, H. Khachatrian, DC. Kale, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. Multitask learning and benchmarking with clinical time series data. *Nature Scientific Data*, 2019.
- [7] **H. Harutyunyan**, D. Moyer, H. Khachatrian, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. Efficient covariance estimation from temporal data. *arXiv:1905.13276*, 2019
- [8] S. Abu-El-Haija, B. Perozzi, A. Kapoor, N. Alipourfard, K. Lerman, **H. Harutyunyan**, GV. Steeg, A. Galstyan. MixHop: higher-order graph convolutional architectures via sparsified neighborhood mixing. *ICML*, 2019
- [9] GV. Steeg, R. Brekelmans, **H. Harutyunyan**, A. Galstyan. Disentangled representations via synergy minimization. *Allerton Conference on Communication, Control, and Computing (Allerton)*, 2017.

## SKILLS

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<b>Programming Languages</b>	Python, C/C++, SQL
<b>Software &amp; Tools</b>	PyTorch, Theano, Tensorflow, Keras, Numpy, Scikit-Learn, LaTeX, MATLAB, Wolfram Mathematica
<b>Languages</b>	Armenian (native), English, Russian

## AWARDS, HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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<b>USC Annenberg Graduate Fellow</b>	2018
<b>ACM ICPC World Finals, Finalist</b>	2017
<b>Google HashCode, Finalist</b>	2017, 2018
<b>Russian Code Cup, Finalist</b>	2016
<b>Yerevan State University Gold Medal</b> For outstanding results in programming competitions	2016
<b>ACM ICPC Northeastern European Regional Contest</b> First Diploma, 17th place	2016
Second Diploma, 33th place	2015
Champion of Armenia	2013 - 2016
Champion of Southern Caucasus	2015, 2016
<b>Open Southern Caucasus Championship, First Diploma</b>	2013 - 2016
<b>Independence Cup of Armenia, First Place</b>	2013 - 2017
<b>International Olympiad in Informatics, Bronze medal</b>	2012
<b>National Olympiads in Physics, Mathematics and Informatics</b> 2 First, 2 Second, 3 Third Degree Diplomas	2008 - 2012

## NOTABLE ACTIVITIES

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<b>FAST Foundation</b> <i>NextGen Council Member</i>	June 2021 - present
<b>ACM ICPC Trainings at USC</b> <i>Lecturer</i>	Fall 2018
<b>Weekly Machine Learning Seminars</b> <i>Co-organizer</i> Presented and discussed recent advances in machine learning.	Sept. 2017 - July 2018
<b>National Olympiad in Informatics</b> <i>Committee member</i> Prepared tasks for the national Olympiad in informatics. Trained students for international Olympiad in informatics.	2013 - 2018
<b>NSF-FAST Machine Learning for Discovery Sciences Workshop</b> <i>Speaker</i> Section: New Voices, Title: Temporal covariance estimation	Oct. 2017
<b>International Olympiad in Informatics</b> <i>Deputy leader of Armenian national team</i> Trained students for the competition.	2016

## INTERESTS

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Reading, art house, philosophy, skiing, chess, music, billiards.