Kazem Meidani, PhD

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EXPERIENCE

Capital One
AI Researcher I

San Jose, CA

AI Foundations, Supervisor: Bayan Bruss, Nam Nguyen

Research area: Large Language Models, Reasoning, Interpretability, Decision Making in Finance

Carnegie Mellon University

Aug 2019 - Sept 2024

PhD Research Assistant

MAIL lab, Supervisor: Amir Barati Farimani

Pittsburgh, PA

Research areas: AI for Math, Code, and Scientific Discovery

Reasoning Models, LLM Agents, Test-time Planning

- Reward Modeling in Symbolic Math and Code Reasoning with Large Language Models
- Scientific Reasoning and Combinatorial Optimization with Large Language Models
- Iterative Test-time Hypothesis Refinement for Math Discovery with LLM Agents
- Multi-modal Foundation Model Pretraining for Mathematical Representation Learning
- Transformers for Neural Operator Learning and Numerical Simulation of Dynamical Systems

Netflix May 2024 - Aug 2024

Machine Learning Research, Intern

Los Gatos, CA

Foundation Models for Recommendation and Personalization, Supervisors: Qiuling Xu, Sudarshan Lamkhede

Research area: Efficient tokenization in Foundation Models for Personalized Recommendation

Electronic Arts

May 2022 - Aug 2022

AI Scientist Intern

Redwood City, CA

EA AI Lab, Supervisors: Igor Borovikov, Harold Chaput Research area: AI for physical agentic modeling in games

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D. in Engineering and Artificial Intelligence. GPA: 3.96/4.0 2019 - 2024

Sharif University of Technology Tehran, Iran

Double Major B.Sc. 2014 - 2019

Mechanical and Industrial Engineering (Rank 1st among 200 students, GPA: 19.20/20)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Python, C/C++

Deep Learning PyTorch, TENSORFLOW, JAX, Hugging Face, vLLM, DeepSpeed

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

(For the complete publication list please refer to the Google Scholar, * denotes equal contribution)

Decompose, Adapt, and Evolve: Towards Efficient Scientific Equation Discovery with Large

Language Models

B. Belandiffer B. Shairan S. Kahu, K. Maidari, C.K. Baddu.

Decompose, Adapt, and Evolve: Towards Efficient Scientific Equation Discovery with Large

MATH-AI workshop

P. Behzadifar, P. Shojaee, S. Kabra, K. Meidani, C.K. Reddy.

[Paper]

LLM-SRBench: A Benchmark for Scientific Equation Discovery with Large Language Models
 P. Shojaee, N. Nguyen, K. Meidani, AB. Farimani, K. Doan, C.K. Reddy.
 [Paper][Code]

LLM-SR: Scientific Equation Discovery via Programming with Large Language Models
 K. Meidani, P. Shojaee, S. Gupta, AB. Farimani, C.K. Reddy.
 [Paper][Code]

· SNIP: Bridging Mathematical Symbolic and Numeric Realms with Unified Pre-training

K. Meidani, P. Shojaee, C.K. Reddy, AB. Farimani.

[Paper][Code]

Transformer-based Planning for Symbolic Regression
 K. Meidani, P. Shojaee, AB. Farimani, C.K. Reddy.
 [Paper][Code]

· Transformer for Partial Differential Equations' Operator Learning

Z. Li, K. Meidani, AB. Farimani. (2023)

[Paper][Code]

· Graph convolutional networks applied to unstructured flow field data
F. Ogoke, **K. Meidani**, A. Hashemi, AB. Farimani. (2021)

[Paper] [Code]

TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- Conference Reviews: NeurIPS 2024-2025 (top reviewer), ICLR 2025-2026, ICML 2025, AAAI 2026, NeurIPS AI4Science and MATH-AI workshops 2025
- Journal Reviews: Nature Communications, Expert Systems with Applications, etc.
- Teaching Assistant at CMU for graduate course 'AI and ML for Engineers'.

SELECTED GRADUATE COURSES

- Machine Learning. MLD 10-701
- Deep Reinforcement Learning. MLD 10-703
- Convex Optimization. MLD 10-725
- Probability and Statistics. STAT 36-700

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Top Reviewer at NeurIPS 2025
- Oral presentation (top 1%) at ICML 2025
- Oral presentation (top 1.8%) at ICLR 2025
- Spotlight presentation (top 5%) at ICLR 2024
- Ranked 1st in SRBench Competition, 2023
- Ranked 1st among 100 students. Class of 2019. Industrial Engineering, Sharif University of Technology
- Ranked 2nd among 120 students. Class of 2019. Mechanical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology
- Ranked 7th in National University Entrance Exam (2014) · Among 200,000 Students