

My CV

1. Personal information

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2. Research Interests

General Linguistics, Phonetics, Phonology, Morphology, Persian Language in general, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Text-to-Speech Synthesis (TTS)

3. Teaching experience

I have taught general linguistics, phonetics, phonology, morphology, Persian grammar, History of Persian language, Persian and general English for 30 semesters in BA, MA and PhD levels at University of Zanjan, Sharif University of Technology and University of Tehran.

4. Research experience

A. About fourteen years of research activity at Research Center of Intelligent Signal Processing (RCISP). There are some research groups in RCISP including Natural Language Processing, Acoustic Signal Processing, Image Processing, and etc at RCISP. In this research center we have developed various speech and text databases. FARSDAT (First Persian/Farsi speech database) is one of them. European Language Resources Association (ELRA) has been authorized to distribute FARSDAT. FARSDAT attained the prize of the Kharazmi Scientific Festival.

B. I was the manager of the preliminary phase of Text-to-Speech (TTS) Synthesis system named Gooya at Tehran University as I was a PhD Student.

C. I was the manager of the second phase of Gooya at RCISP.

D. From April 2005-July 2007 a guest researcher in Germany, Technical University of Dresden (TUD), Institute for Acoustics and Speech Communication. During my research stay in Germany I was studying on how to generate prosody in our TTS system (Gooya) to enhance the

quality of the output speech and also I have developed Persian ToBI (PToBI).

E. Advisor of the research project under the title of "Developing a Morphological Parser for Persian" publicized as PARS MORPH in cooperation with my student Mr. Vahid Mavaji and my colleague Dr Bahram Vazirnezhad at Sharif University of Technology started from September 2010 and will be finalized on September 2012.

5. Publications

A. Articles

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2. Eslami, M. and et al. 1998. "šenâxt-e marzhâ-ye nahvi-ye jomalât-e zabân-e fârsi bâ ?estefâde ?az šabake-ye ?asabi-ye tarkibi" ["Identifying syntactic boundareis in Persian, using hybrid neural network"], *Proceedings of 3rd Annual International CSI Computer Conference (CSICC'1998)*, The University of Elmo-san ?at, Tehran, Iran.

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10. Eslami, M. 2002. “sâxt-e ?ešteqâqi-ye kalame va bâzsâzi-ye goftâr-e fârsi” [“derivational structure of word in Persian and speech synthesis”], *Memoranda in the Research Center of Intelligent Signal Processing (RCISP)*, Tehran, Iran.
11. Eslami, M. 2003. “nahv va vâjšenâsi: yek sath-e moštarak” [“syntax-phonology interface”] , *Iranian linguistic researches 1*. Festschrift of Prof. A.A. Sadeghi, Hermes press, Tehran, Iran.
12. Eslami, M. and M. Bijankhan. 2003. “vâžegozini va vâj ?ârâ ?i” [“word-formation and phonotactics”], *Proceedings of 2th Conference of Word-formation and Terminology*, Academy of Persian language and literature, Tehran, Iran.
13. Eslami, M. 2003. “barnâme-ye vâhedsâz-e nahvi”, [first version of Persian syntactic parser”], *Memoranda in the Research Center of Intelligent Signal Processing (RCISP)*, Tehran, Iran.
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B. Books

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2. Eslami, M. 2011. *vâjšenâsi: tahlil-e nezame ahang-e zaban farsi* [*Phonology: Analysis of the Persian Intonation System*], second edition, SAMT Publication, Tehran, Iran.
3. Eslami, M. 2012. *Golestan-e Javidan*. Nashr-e Ghqsed. Tehran, Iran.

C. Review

Eslami, M. 2002. “naqd-e çâp-e dovjom-e navâ-ye goftâr dar fârsi” [“review of second edition of *Persian prosody*”], *Iranian Journal of Linguistics* 34:133-136. Iran University Press, Tehran, Iran.

D. Scientific Talks

1. Linguistics and natural language Processing, 2002. The Conference of language and linguistics, Azad University of Hamedan, Hamedan, Iran.
2. Persian Text to Speech Synthesis system. 2006. Institute of Acoustics and Speech Communication, Technical University of Dresden, Germany.
3. Die Statistik spricht in der Sprache mit, 2007, Institute of Acoustics and Speech Communication, Technical University of Dresden, Germany.
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E. Translation

Translating more than 10 articles from English into Persian in the fields of language, linguistics and adult literacy published in the academic journals.

F. Membership in academic societies

Member of Linguistics Society of Iran (LSI)

G. Language Ability

1. (Azari) Turkish = Mother Tongue
2. Persian = like Mother Tongue
3. English = fluent in speaking, reading, writing and good ability in listening
4. German = fair

5. Arabic = fair