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1 Current Status

- Visiting Researcher, GIPSA-lab, Université Grenoble Alpes, CNRS, Grenoble INP, Grenoble, France
September 2018– present
- Senior Algorithm Developer and Consultant, MindChild Medical Inc., USA *September 2018– present*
- Tenure Associate Professor, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran
September 2008–present

2 Personal Information

Birth: September 21st, 1977, Shiraz, Iran

Citizenship: Iranian

Marital status: Married to Maryam Shariat

Children: Two daughters; Baran and Bahar

Languages: Persian (maternal), English (fluent), French (good), Arabic (basic)


3 Education

- **PhD in Electrical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology (SUT), Tehran, Iran 2003–2008**
- **PhD in Signal Processing and Telecommunications, GIPSA-lab, INPG, Grenoble, France 2005–2008**

Pursued a joint PhD degree (*co-tutelle*) from Sharif University of Technology and Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble (INPG); graduated with Honor.

Major: Statistical Signal Processing & Bioelectrical Engineering

Thesis: Non-invasive extraction and processing of fetal cardiac signals from an array of maternal abdominal sensors

 I started the PhD program of SUT in the field of Bioelectrical Engineering, in 2003. After passing the courses and the comprehensive exam, as part of a *co-tutelle* agreement between SUT and INPG, I moved to France and enrolled in the PhD program of INPG in the field of Signal, Speech, Image and Telecommunications (abbreviated as SIPT in French), in 2005. The PhD thesis was jointly supervised by Prof. Mohammad-Bagher Shamsollahi and Prof. Christian Jutten.












- **MSc in Electrical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran 2000–2003**

Major: Bioelectrical Engineering

Thesis: Classification of EEG signals for brain-computer interface (BCI) applications

- **BSc in Electrical Engineering, Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran** **1996–2000**
Major: Electronics
Final Project: Designing a Training Board for the 8x51 Microcontroller Series
- **High School, Exceptional Talents High School (NODET), Shiraz, Iran** **1992–1996**
Major: Mathematics & Physics

4 Honors and Awards

- Distinguished Academic Faculty of Electrical & Computer Engineering (yearly award), Shiraz University, Iran, 2012
 This is a yearly prize awarded to faculty members, which obtain the highest scores of teaching quality, in official student polls and evaluations carried-out by the Dean's office.
- PhD thesis award of INPG (Prix de Thèse de Grenoble INP), in Signal Processing and Telecommunications, Grenoble, France, 2010
 This is a highly-selective award of INPG, granted to PhD graduates with distinguished performance and achievements during their PhD.
- First Place Award in Electrical Engineering, Dr. Mojtahedi Innovation Award, Sharif University of Technology Association (SUTA), Tehran, Iran, 2010
 This is a yearly award of SUTA granted to distinguished PhD thesis of each department.
- Gold medal of Best Young Inventor from the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on the occasion of the 23rd Khwarizmi International contest, Tehran, Iran, 2010
 This medal was awarded by WIPO for my research in the field of fetal cardiac signal processing.
- Young Scientist Award from the Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS), Tehran, Iran, 2010
 This prize was awarded by TWAS for the achievements of my PhD thesis.
- Second Place Award of Innovation, 23rd Khwarizmi International Award (KIA), Tehran, Iran, 2010
 This award was due to my research in the field of fetal cardiac signal analysis and its industrialization.
- Rhône-Alpes region scholarship, Grenoble, France, 2008
 A regional scholarship in France.
- Eiffel PhD Scholarship of Excellence from the French government, Grenoble, France, 2007
 A selective national scholarship in France.
- PhD scholarship from the French government (BGF), 2005
 A selective scholarship of the French government granted to international students.
- Research assistant scholarship from Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran, 2004
 A yearly RA for a selection of PhD candidates.
- PhD scholarship and post-doctoral faculty position from Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran, 2003
 Shiraz University is well-known for its high standards, discipline and very narrow selection of faculty members. I had the chance to be awarded this position from the beginning of my PhD.

5 Academic Activities

5.1 Teaching

I have taught various courses during the past years in Sharif University of Technology (during the first two years of my PhD) and Shiraz University, since 2008. Several of these courses have been developed from scratch; a few others have been redesigned and updated with new contents based on my personal research and engineering experiences.

- Estimation Theory & Optimal Filtering (Graduate course/two semesters)
- Reconfigurable Architectures (Graduate course/three semesters)
- Biological System Modeling (Graduate course/nine semesters)
- Signal Processing in Time, Frequency, and Space (Graduate course/six semesters)
- Digital Signal Processing (Graduate course/two semesters)
- Signals & Systems (BSc course/seven semesters)
- Signal Processing Lab (BSc course/two semesters)
 - Lab developed for Shiraz University for the first time
- Electrical Circuit Theory (BSc course/five semesters)
- Electrical Circuit Lab (BSc course/four semesters)
- Linear Control Systems (BSc course/three semesters)
- Technical Communication (BSc course/two semesters)
- Digital System Design (BSc course/seven semesters)
 - Designed and presented in Shiraz University for the first time; course fully customized for industrial needs.
- Digital System Design Lab (BSc course/four semester)
 - Lab developed for Shiraz University for the first time and accompanied by a fully customized FPGA board designed and manufactured in our group.
- Principles of Electrical Engineering (BSc course/two semesters)
 - Taught during my PhD in SUT

6 Research Activities

6.1 Research Profile

H-index: 19 with more than 2100 Google Scholar Citations by March 2019

6.2 Research Interests

Statistical signal and data processing (especially for biomedical applications), system and data modeling, digital system design, software defined radio systems.

✍ My current research at GIPSA-lab is focused on:

- *The integration of blind source separation techniques and optimal filtering schemes (such as the Kalman filter), especially for biomedical applications:* We have coined this technique “dynamic source separation”, as it consists of a unified source separation framework for dynamic systems. We have developed interesting algorithms for source separation, using presumed dynamics for the sources.
- *Fusion and selection in multichannel and multimodal data, with applications for biomedical signals:* Our major question is when and how to select or fuse between multichannel or multimodal recordings. Some recent theoretical results have shown that for noisy data, channel or modality “selection” is in cases better than their “fusion”. In other words, adding channels, modalities, or dimensions is not necessarily harmless and is not necessarily compensable by dimension reduction. I am currently focused on extending these findings, with applications for multichannel and multimodal cardiac signals using a novel simultaneous electrocardiogram and phonocardiogram dataset acquired by our research group.

✍ In addition, some of the recent topics that my graduate students and I have been working on include:

- *Electroencephalogram (EEG) phase analysis:* The EEG phase has emerged as a rich complement for the EEG spectra. Important phenomena such as phase coupling and phase resetting have been built on this property. We have theoretically proved that the common method used for EEG phase calculation in the literature is highly susceptible to noise and the smallest variations in algorithmic parameters. Based on this finding, we proposed a robust Monte Carlo algorithm for EEG phase calculation and, as proof of concept, successfully used it for brain computer interface applications. The proposed algorithm will soon be added as an official plugin to the popular EEGLAB toolbox.
- *Statistical performance bounds on electrocardiogram (ECG) parameter estimation:* We may argue that ECG parameter extraction is always explicitly or implicitly “model-based” (even the parameters visually extracted by expert annotators). On the other hand, we have the beatwise variations of the ECG, measurement noises, inter-rater and intra-rater variabilities of annotations. Based on these factors, we have formulated the problem of ECG parameter extraction as a classical estimation problem and derived Cramér-Rao lower bounds (CRLB) for the most popular ECG parameters and models.
- *Advances in fetal electrocardiography:* This topic has been my personal interest for many years. Some of our recent advances in this area include: a) online fetal ECG (fECG) extraction using online source separation algorithms; b) using the fECG for estimating and tracking fetal motions/rotations with respect to the maternal body coordinates; c) noninvasive fECG extraction from low-rank (as few as a single-channel) and time-varying mixtures; d) a novel semi-blind source separation algorithm for fECG extraction in presence of nonstationary noise and irregular maternal beats.
- *Simultaneous phonocardiogram (PCG) and ECG analysis:* In our research lab, in collaboration with a local startup company, we have invested on studying the electro-mechanical coupling of the heart. We have built our own device for the simultaneous acquisition of adult/fetal ECG and PCG and we have recorded a primary adult ECG-PCG database using this device, which is being used in our research team and will be soon published online.
- *Biomedical devices and software development:* We have also manufactured different biomedical devices and applications, including: a three to six channel Holter monitor, a digital infrared vein finder, an FPGA digital data acquisition and signal processing board and an ECG analysis software engine.

6.3 Publications

6.3.1 Theses

- T1 Reza Sameni. *Extraction of Fetal Cardiac Signals from an Array of Maternal Abdominal Recordings*. PhD thesis, Sharif University of Technology – Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble, July 2008. URL <http://www.sameni.info/Publications/Thesis/PhDThesis.pdf>
- T2 R. Sameni. Discrimination of EEG Signals during the Performance of Different Mental Tasks. Master's thesis, Sharif University of Technology, 2003
- T3 Reza Sameni and Sharifoddin Mansouri. Designing a Training Board for the 8x51 Microcontroller Series. Bachelor's final project, Shiraz University, September 2000

6.3.2 Patents

- P1 R. Sameni, C. Jutten, M.B. Shamsollahi, and G.D. Clifford. Extraction of Fetal Cardiac Signals, June 2010b. Licensed to MindChild Medical Inc

6.3.3 Journal Papers

- J1 Selene Tomassini, Agnese Sbrollini, Annachiara Strazza, Reza Sameni, Ilaria Marcantoni, Micaela Moretini, and Laura Burattini. AdvFPCG-delineator: Advanced delineator for fetal phonocardiography. *Biomedical Signal Processing and Control*, 61:102021, Aug 2020. doi: 10.1016/j.bspc.2020.102021
- J2 F. Jamshidian-Tehrani, R. Sameni, and C. Jutten. Temporally nonstationary component analysis; application to noninvasive fetal electrocardiogram extraction. *IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering*, 2019:1–10, 2019. ISSN 0018-9294. URL <http://dx.doi.org/10.1109/TBME.2019.2936943>. In Press
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- J9 Esmail Seraj and Reza Sameni. Robust electroencephalogram phase estimation with applications in brain-computer interface systems. *Physiological Measurement*, 38(3):501, 2017. URL <https://doi.org/10.1088/1361-6579/aa5bba>
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- S2 Arsalan Kazemnejad. Analysis of Synchronous Electrocardiogram and Phonocardiogram Parameters Extracted from Normal Subjects. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, September 2018. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni

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- S6 Pejman Torabi. Implementation of Artificial Neural Networks on FPGA with Scalable and parametric Design. Master's thesis, Computer Architecture, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, February 2018. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
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- S8 Mahdi Rahbaralam. Evaluation of Instantaneous Frequency Estimation Techniques with Application in Electroencephalogram Analysis. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, May 2017. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
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- S11 Saman Doostkam. Design and Implementation of a Portable Assistive System for Visually Impaired People. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, September 2016. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S12 Hadis Biglari. Fetal Motion Tracking from Non-Invasive Cardiac Signal Recordings. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, 2015. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S13 Zahra Sadeghian. Analysis and Prediction of Economic Indexes using Signal Processing Techniques. Master's thesis, Artificial Intelligence, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, October 2015. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S14 Maryam Samieinasab. Modeling and Filtering of Fetal Phonocardiogram Signals. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, February 2015. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S15 Hadi Narimani. Application of Kalman and $H-\infty$ filters in Electrocardiogram Denoising. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, September 2014. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni


- S16 Behnam Tavakol-Shoorjeh. Distributed Component Analysis and its Applications in Biosignal Processing. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, September 2014. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S17 Zahra Kheradpisheh. Comparison of Linear and Nonlinear Electrocardiogram Processing Techniques. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, February 2014. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S18 Marzieh Fatemi. Application of Subspace Tracking Techniques for Fetal Cardiac Signal Extraction. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, March 2013. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S19 Hamed Hassani-Saadi. Application of Signal Processing Algorithms for Non-numeric Data. Master's thesis, Artificial Intelligence, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, March 2013. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
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- S21 Bahman Vahabzadeh. Study of Heart Rate Calculation Techniques and the Notion of Cardiac Signal Phase. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, February 2012. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S22 Sajad Niknam. Multichannel Cardiac Signal Processing & Sensor Selection Techniques. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, January 2012. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S23 Ebadollah Kheirati-Roonizi. Morphological Modeling of Cardiac Signals. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, June 2011. Supervised by: Dr. Reza Sameni
- S24 Shahrzad Kharabian. Fetal R-Wave Detection from Non-Invasive Magnetocardiogram Recordings. Master's thesis, Biomedical Engineering, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, September 2009. Jointly Supervised by: Dr. Mohammad-Bagher Shamsollahi and Dr. Reza Sameni

6.5 Reviews

- Reviewer of several national and international journals and conferences. An incomplete list is available at: <https://publons.com/a/1554991/>
- I have been awarded the Outstanding Reviewer Award of Physiological Measurement in 2018
- Referee of nation-wide projects of Iran's National Cognitive Sciences and Technologies Council, and Iran's National Elites Foundation (Fars branch)

6.6 Open-Source Projects

The Open-Source Electrophysiological Toolbox (OSET), URL: www.oset.ir. GitLab Repository: <https://gitlab.com/rsameni/OSET/>.

 OSET is an open-source project that I launched in November 2006. It is a collection of electrophysiological data and open-source codes for biosignal generation, modeling, processing, and filtering. The toolbox is distributed under the GNU General Public License and may be freely used or modified under the specified

terms of use. The source codes have been mainly developed in Matlab and partially in C++. The toolbox has been used by many researchers (with several thousands of downloads since 2006) and events such as the Computers in Cardiology (CinC) Conference Challenge 2013, in which the data and source codes were used to generate sample fetal ECG data for the challenge (www.physionet.org/challenge/2013/), and the Physionet Challenge 2016 on heart sound evaluation (www.physionet.org/challenge/2016/). Starting from Version 3.14 released on June 2018, OSET is accessible and will be updated on the above noted public Git repository.

6.7 Invited Talks and Workshops

1. *A Nonlinear Bayesian Filtering Framework for the Filtering of Noisy ECG Signals*, UCL, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, April 21, 2006
2. *Workshop on Blind Source Separation and Independent Component Analysis: Theory, Applications and Perspectives*, 15th Iranian Conference on Electrical Engineering (ICEE 2007), Iran Telecom Research Center (ITRC), May 13, 2007
3. *A Biomedical Signal Processing Project from Research to Production*, Shiraz University, January 13, 2009
4. *Introduction to Biomedical Engineering*, Iranian Telecommunication Manufacturing Company (ITMC), December 8, 2010
5. *Cardiac Signal Processing*, Interdisciplinary Summer School, Shiraz University, July 16, 2012
6. *Advances in electrocardiogram signal processing and analysis*, International Workshop on Signal Processing (IWSP 2017), Tehran, Iran, May 10, 2017
7. *Introduction to Blind Source Separation*, 20th Workshop on Applied Stochastic Processes, Shiraz, Iran, April 2018
8. *Fetal Cardiac Signal Processing Techniques*, Invited Lecturer in the International Summer School on Technologies and Signal Processing, Pula, Sardinia, Italy, July 2–6, 2018

7 Industrial Activities & Engineering Experience

I started working in industry during my Master's studies in part time and continued this collaboration ever since (during and after graduation from the university). Details of my industrial activities during the past eighteen years are listed below.

7.1 Companies and Research Centers

- Signal Processing Center (SPC), School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran 2010–2015
 - I am the founder and director of SPC in Shiraz University
 - SPC is a co-operative (co-op) research center, for helping students and fresh graduates get involved in real-world projects outsourced by worldwide industries. The major interest of the team is the design and implementation of high-performance digital signal processing systems on hardware, firmware, and software platforms. Having a close collaboration with our industrial partners, SPC members find a chance to experience the full production cycle from research to industrial prototyping; plus the social, financial and management requirements of real-world projects. Since the foundation of the center in

2010, the design and implementation of many subsystems have been outsourced to SPC; all of which have been successfully delivered to our customers. After three years of successful collaboration with worldwide industries, in 2013, SPC has made a jump towards further productivity, by marketing some of its R&D products. The center is open to internships for students and industrial trainees.

- Software Defined Radio Center (SDRC), School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran *2013–present*
 - ✎ SDRC is a specialized research center, founded in Shiraz University by a group of faculty members, for digital telecommunication systems research and design in collaboration with industrial partners. I have been a major co-founder and currently a member of the management board of SDRC.
- MindChild Medical, Inc., North Andover, MA, USA *2008–present*
 - Technology adviser and algorithm designer for fetal ECG monitoring systems
 - ✎ MindChild Medical, Inc. is a start-up company based in the US, specialized in maternal and fetal healthcare systems. The company holds the license to our 2010 patent on fetal ECG extraction algorithm and we have had very close collaborations since its foundation. I have worked with MindChild, as technology adviser and algorithm designer of fetal ECG monitoring systems. The first product based on our technology has been approved by FDA and is currently commercialized in the US. Please refer to www.mindchild.com for further details.
- Vala-Andishe Paya (VAP) Ltd., Shiraz, Iran *2017–present*
 - ✎ This is a start-up company where we produce healthcare systems, including vein finders, Holter monitors, and cardiac monitoring and analysis software.
- Basamad Negar Ltd., Tehran, Iran *2001–2005*
 - ✎ This is how I earned my living during the MSc and the first two year of my PhD; I owe much of my industrial experience to this job. I started my work as an engineer and finished as a senior project manager before moving to France in 2005.
- Iranian Research Organization for Science & Technology (IROST), Tehran, Iran *2000–2001*
 - ✎ This was my first industrial job; where I was first convinced that university was useful! I worked on the design and implementation of a portable digital Hotwire anemometry system.

7.2 Engineering Skills

✎ I have served as electronics engineer, software programmer, algorithm developer, digital hardware architecture designer, and project manager of more than ten successful industrial projects. With eighteen years of part-time engineering experience, parallel to my academic and research activities, I currently give consultancies to companies in the following fields:

- Solution providing for digital signal processing systems (from design to implementation).
- Digital electronics and hardware architecture design for FPGA platforms, including the entire cycle from solution providing, hardware selection or design, and back-end software/firmware implementation.

7.3 Programming Languages

C, C++, Matlab/Octave, Verilog (HDL).

8 Administration & Services

- Chair of the Department of Computer Science & Engineering & IT, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, 2016–2018.
- Shiraz University's International Office Representative for collaboration with universities of France, 2017.
- Member of the course planning committee of Shiraz University, 2016–2018.
- Member of Fars Province Science and Technology Park Consulting Committee and Evaluation Board, 2016–2017.
- Vice Provost of Student Affairs, School of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Shiraz University, 2009–2015.
- Co-founder of the MSc and PhD programs of Bioelectrical Engineering in Shiraz University
- Co-founder of the MSc program of Computer Architecture in Shiraz University

9 Memberships

- Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (IEEE), (Student Member 2001, Member 2008, Senior Member 2015)
- Member of Iran's National Elites Foundation, Since 2010
- Member of Iran's National Cognitive Sciences and Technologies Council, Since 2014