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Summary

My M.A thesis has been done on two Iranian Online Social Networks by using Social Network Analysis (SNA) method and theory. After that in next five years I have been working and doing study in field of Network Analysis including: I founded a research group consisting of 10 M.A and PhD students whose research interests are about Online Social Networks and we have been publishing our results in these websites (www.OnlineSNA.com, www.Networkanalysis.ir and you can see a visual resume here(<http://goo.gl/3L6j2U>)). I have done research and practical work in fields of Organizational networks analysis and Online Social networks analysis such as holding more than 10 workshops about how to use SNA software packages like Pajek, NodeXL, Gephi and Ucinet. In my PhD thesis, my main focus has been on Social Capital embedded in Online Social Networks, in order to explain this social capital I used Nan Lin's theory of social capital and for first time I have mixed three different types of social capital data gathering generators titled as Name, Position and Resource generators in an online application (you can see English, French and Persian versions here (<http://SocialVillage.me>)). Along with these, I have been teaching Sociology courses in different Universities like Yazd University and University of Applied Science and Technology. I have sent my research papers to different SNA related conferences and they have been accepted in some like INSNA (35th and 33th) or UKSNA (7th). I have been awarded a 6 month scholarship by ministry of Science, Research and Technology of Iran and now I am in Telecom-Bretagne University of Brest, France as a Visiting PhD student.

Education

PhD. (2015)

- ▶ Social Welfare
- ▶ Allameh Tabatabaei University, Tehran, Iran
- ▶ Thesis Title: *Iranian's Virtual Social Capital*
- ▶ Supervised by **Dr. Jafar Hezarjaribi** (Professor)

M.A. (2011)

- ▶ Sociology,
- ▶ Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, Iran
- ▶ Thesis Title: *A SNA Study on Online Social Networks: Case study of Doreh and U24*
- ▶ Supervised by **Dr. Ali Saei** (Assistant Professor)

B.A. (2008)

- ▶ Sociology
- ▶ Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran
- ▶ Thesis Title: *Factors related with students commitment to university*
- ▶ Supervised by **Dr. Abdol Ali Lahsayi Zadeh** (Professor)

Research Interests

- Social Network Analysis (SNA) & Online Social Network Analysis
- Organizational network analysis (ONA)
- Any social aspects of Social Media that will help me explore new things
- Sociology of Science and Technology & Sociology of middle east society, culture and identity

Lectures & Workshops

- University lecturer in field of Sociology for more than two years;
 - **Yazd University**
(12 credits: Basic Sociology at B.A level, 2 credits (twice); Sociology of Third world countries at B.A level, 2 credits; Sociology of Delinquent Behaviors, B.A Level, 2 credits, Sociology of Social Stratifications and Inequalities, B.A Level, 2 credits (twice))
 - **University Of Applied Science & Technology** (lecturer code: 902022826), Imam Khomeini Branch of **Tehran** (Basic Sociology at B.A level, 2 credits; Basics of Iranian Social History at B.A level, 2 credits)
- Applied Workshop Organizer and Teacher in SNA (Social Network Analysis), Experience of teaching more than **10 workshops** in different network analysis fields using Pajek and NodeXL as Network Software.

Papers

1. My PhD thesis research titled as: “**Online Social Network Users' Virtual-Cyber Social Capital**” has been accepted to be presented in 8th edition of the Summer Course, Methods and Applications of Personal Networks (2 ECTS*) to be held at the UAB (Barcelona –www.uab.cat), from Monday 6th to Friday 10th of July 2015.
2. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis named as “**Virtual-Cyber Social Capital; a new method to measure Online Social Capital**” accepted for Oral presentation at 35th Sunbelt Organized by INSNA, June 23th -28th, 2015, Brighton, UK.
3. Paper in Social Network Analysis titled as “**How to do a scientific research on media (TV & Radio) related pages on social networking sites A Mixed Method**” with Ebrahim Eskandaripour published in Quarterly Journal of Communication Research, Winter 2014, Tehran, Iran. (In Persian)
4. Paper in Sociology of Education titled as “**Factors Related with Students' Commitment to University**” presented in INTED2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Conference), 7th-9th of March, 2011, Valencia (Spain).
5. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis named as “**A SNA Study on Iranian Online Social Networks; Case Study of Doreh and U24**” accepted for Oral presentation at 33th Sunbelt Organized by INSNA, May 21th-26th, 2013, Hamburg, Germany.
6. Paper in Sociology and Social Welfare and Policy named as “**Globalization and its impacts on Social Welfare**” with Mostajad Hosseini and Jafar Hezarjaribi published in Welfare planning and social development journal, and presented in the first Iranian conference on Social welfare (In Persian).
7. Paper in Sociology and Social Welfare and Policy named as “**ICTs and their relationship with Social Welfare**” with Mostajad Hosseini and Jafar Hezarjaribi published in *Society, culture and*

- media journal* (In Persian).
8. Research Project in Organizational Network Analysis (ONA) field named as **“A Network Approach Study on Organizational Culture and Communications; Case Study of Sooremehr Publication Company’s Organizational Network”**, Spring 2013, Publications is now being prepared.
 9. Morteza Nazifi, Hamidreza Mokarami, Aliakbar Akbaritabar, Haji Omid Kalte, Amid Rahi. **Psychometric Properties of the Persian Translation of Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index**. *Health Scope* 2014; 3(2): 1-4.
 10. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis titled as **“Youth Responsibility In Online Social Networks: Case Study of U24.ir”**, with Dr Ali Saei and Dr Ebrahim Khodaei, presented Orally at National Conference on Youth Responsibility, May 2011, Shiraz University.
 11. Paper in Social Network Analysis titled as **“Organizational Network Analysis: How Social Media will change the way Information is shared in Organizations?”** presented orally at Second National Conference on Social Media day, May 2013, Tehran, Iran.
 12. Paper in Social Network Analysis named as **“A SNA Study of Social Networking Sites”** accepted for Oral presentation at 7th UKSNA, July 7th-9th, 2011, University of Greenwich, London.
 13. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis titled as **“A Meta-Analysis of SNA Textbooks”**, published in special issue on Social Networks of *Ketab-e-Mah* magazine, Teheran, Iran (In Persian).
 14. Paper in Social Network Analysis named as **“Book-based Group Activities in Social Networking Sites, Case study of U24.ir”**, presented in Conference on Book and Social Media, and published in its proceeding, January 2011, Tehran, Iran (In Persian).
 15. Paper in Social Network Analysis named as **“A SNA Study of Online Social Networks”** accepted for Oral presentation at 1st Global Conference on Social Networking Revolutions, September 7-9, 2011, Washington University.
 16. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis named as **“How to use SNA in study of online social networks”** presented orally in Conference on Online Social Networks and Everyday Life, May 2011, Tehran University.
 17. Paper in Mathematical Sociology and Social Network Analysis named as **“How Online Social Networks shape youth’s Lifestyle and Leisure time?”** with Dr Jafar Hezarjaribi presented orally in National Congress on Lifestyle and leisure Time, July 2013, Shiraz University, Iran (In Persian).
 18. Paper in Sociology of Science and Technology, titled as **“Study on Trends of Research in Materials Science”**, with Mohammad Amin Jabbareh and Dr Amir Abdolah Zade presented orally in 4th Integrated Conference of Metallurgy Engineers and Iran’s Scientific Committee of Casting, November 2010, Science and Technology University of Tehran, Iran.
 19. Paper in Sociology of knowledge, titled as **“Muslim Thinkers Social thoughts; case study of Seyed Hossein Nasr”**, with Dr Nosrati Nezhad, accepted for Oral presentation at Local Conference of Social Thoughts and Sociology in Contemporary Middle East, May 2011, Iranian Association of Sociology, Tehran, Iran.
 20. Paper in Medical Sociology and Sociology of Education named as **“Sociological Pathology of Medical Education in Iran”** with Dr Boostani, presented orally at 12th National Conference on Medical Education, May 2011, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Mashhad, Iran. (**done with in-**

depth interview as data collection method)

21. Paper in Theoretical Foundations of Sociology titled as **“A Review of Anthony Giddens’s Written Work”** submitted in Quarterly of Sociology and Youth Studies, Islamic Azad University of Babol.
22. Paper in Social Network Analysis named as **“A SNA and Netnography Study of Social Networking Sites”** with Ebrahim Eskandari and Nasibe Zanjari, accepted for Oral presentation in 1st Asia-Pacific Conference on Qualitative Research in Web 2.0, Macau China.
23. Paper in Sociology of Literature and Sociology of Organizations titled as: **“Organizational Commitment in Ancient Literature: Content Analysis of Shahnameh Ferdowsi”**, Submitted in International Conference on Humanities 2011, School of Humanities, Universiti Sains Malaysia, 14-16 June 2011.
24. Paper in Social Inequality and Stratification as: **“Educational Inequality in Iran”** has done with usage of Comparative Quantitative Analysis method.
25. Paper in Sociology of Family and Sociology of Islamic Countries as: **“Polygamy in Islamic Countries”**.
26. **Developing sustainable SCM evaluation model using fuzzy AHP in publishing industry**, with Meisam Shaverdi and Ebrahim Eskandari pour, Published in Elsevier (Procedia Computer Science series), March 10, 2013, This paper **also** have been published in proceeding of International Conference on Information Technology and Quantitative Management (ITQM 2013), May 16-18, 2013 in Suzhou, China.
27. Research Project in Rural Sociology as: **“Monography of Olya Khaled Abad a rural region of Iran”**.

Language Skills

- Persian and Turkish (as Mother tongues)
- English (TOEFL ibt; 82 (16,22,22,22), Paper Based TOEFL 2010 score; 550 - 4 out of 6 in Writing)
- Arabic (Basic level)

Professional software Skills

- Excellence in Social Network Analysis, Software like: Ucinet, Pajek, NodeXL
- Excellence in Qualitative Analysis Software like: Nvivo, XSight
- Excellence in Quantitative Analysis Software like: SPSS, Minitab.
- Excellence in VBA (Visual Basic Application) in order to automate tasks
- Excellence in Microsoft Office Programs
- Have some Basic knowledge in Visual Basic (Programming Language)

Other

- Founder & Editor In Chief of www.OnlineSNA.com websites of publishing scientific contents about Social Network Analysis. (English & Persian)
- Manager of Persian websites of www.Networkanalysis.ir publishing scientific contents about Organizational Network Analysis.
- Excellent Teamwork skills