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Nationality: Iranian

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Summary

I have done my M.A thesis on two Iranian Online Social Networks by using Social Network Analysis (SNA) method and theory. After that, in last five years I have been working and studying in the field of Network Analysis including, but not limited to: I founded a research group consisting of 10 M.A and PhD students whose research interests are about Social Networks and we have been publishing our thoughts in this website (www.OnlineSNA.com; you can see a photo resume of our group here (<http://goo.gl/3L6j2U>)). I have held more than ten workshops about how to use SNA software packages like Pajek, NodeXL, Gephi and Ucinet. In my recent research, my main focus was 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 to improve its measurement, I have integrated three different types of social capital structural generators titled as Name, Position and Resource generators in an online research 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 presented my research papers in different Network related conferences and events in my country and abroad. I have been awarded scholarships to study social networks that you can see in following pages.

Education

PhD of Economic Sociology (2015-onwards)

- University of Milan, Milan, Italy
- Thesis Title: *A Dynamic Network Analysis of Cyber Social Capital*

Research Visit (1 month - July 2015)

- Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB), Spain
- Project Title: *How to measure Cyber Social Capital comparatively among English, French and Persian users of Online social Networks*
- Supervised by Prof. **Jose Luis Molina**

Research Visit (5 months – Feb - Sept 2015)

- Telecom-Bretagne, Brest, France
- Project Title: *How to measure Cyber Social Capital comparatively among English, French and Persian users of Online social Networks*
- Supervised by Prof. **Nicolas Jullien**

M.A. of Sociology (2008-2011)

- Tarbiat Modares University, Tehran, Iran
- Thesis Title: *A SNA Study on Online Social Networks: Case study of Doreh and U24*
- Supervised by Prof. **Ali Saei**

B.A. of Sociology (Social Research) (2004-2008)

- Shiraz University, Shiraz, Iran
- Thesis Title: *Factors related with students commitment to university*
- Supervised by Prof. **Abdol Ali Lahsayi Zadeh**

Research Interests

- Social Network Analysis (SNA) & Online Social Network Analysis
- Social Capital and Cyber Social Capital
- Organizational network analysis (ONA)

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

Research work results & publications

► Journal

1. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Hezarjaribi, Jafar, Jullien, Nicolas (2015) A tool for dynamic measurement of social capital embedded in Online Social Networks, Grafo working papers, electronic journal, <http://revistes.uab.cat/grafowp/article/view/14/vol4-n1-Akbaritabar>
2. Eskandaripour, Ebrahim, **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2014) How to do a scientific research on media (TV & Radio) related pages on social networking sites A Mixed Method, Quarterly Journal of Communication Research, Winter 2014, Tehran, Iran (In Persian)
3. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2012) A Meta-Analysis of SNA Textbooks, special issue on Social Networks, Ketab-e-Mah magazine, Tehran, Iran (In Persian)
4. Hosseini, Mostajad, Hezarjaribi, Jafar, **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2012) Globalization and its impacts on Social Welfare, Welfare planning and *social development*, and presented in the first Iranian conference on Social welfare (In Persian)
5. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Hezarjaribi, Jafar, Hosseini, Mostajad (2012) ICTs and their relationship

with Social Welfare, *Society, culture and media* (In Persian)

6. Nazifi, Morteza, Mokarami, Hamidreza, **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Kalte, Haji Omid, Rahi, Amid (2014) Psychometric Properties of the Persian Translation of Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index. *Health Scope*; 3(2): 1-4
7. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Mokarami, H., Nazifi, M., Rahi, A., & Hosseinpouri, M. (2013). Psychometric properties of Spector's job satisfaction survey in the Iranian population. *Koomesh*, 14(3), 335-341 (In Persian)
8. Nazifi, M., Mokarami, H. R., **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, K., Faraji Kujerdi, M., Tabrizi, R., & Rahi, A. (2014). Reliability, Validity and Factor Structure of the Persian Translation of General Health Questionnaire (GHQ-28) in Hospitals of Kerman University of Medical Sciences. *Journal of Fasa University of Medical Sciences*, 3(4), 336-342 (In Persian)
9. Shaverdi, Meisam, Eskandaripour, Ebrahim, **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2013) Developing sustainable SCM evaluation model using fuzzy AHP in publishing industry, [Elsevier \(Procedia Computer Science series\)](#), March 10, 2013, This paper have been published in proceeding of International Conference on Information Technology and Quantitative Management (ITQM 2013), May 16-18, 2013 in Suzhou, China

► **Conference**

10. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Hezarjaribi, jafar (2015) Virtual-Cyber Social Capital; a new method to measure Online Social Capital, 35th Sunbelt Organized by INSNA, June 23th -28th, Brighton, UK
11. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2011) Factors Related with Students' Commitment to University, INTED2011 (International Technology, Education and Development Conference), 7th-9th of March, 2011, Valencia, Spain
12. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Saei, Ali, Khodaei, Ebrahim (2011) Youth Responsibility In Online Social Networks: Case Study of U24.ir, National Conference on Youth Responsibility, May 2011, Shiraz University, Shiraz (In Persian)
13. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2013) Organizational Network Analysis: How Social Media will change the way Information is shared in Organizations, Second National Conference on Social Media day, May 2013, Tehran, Iran (In Persian)
14. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2011) Book-based Group Activities in Social Networking Sites, Case study of U24.ir, Conference on Book and Social Media, January 2011, Tehran, Iran (In Persian)
15. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2011) How to use SNA in study of online social networks, Conference on Online Social Networks and Everyday Life, May 2011, Tehran University (In Persian)
16. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Hezarjaribi, Jafar (2013) How Online Social Networks shape youth's Lifestyle and Leisure time, National Congress on Lifestyle and leisure Time, July 2013, Shiraz University, Iran (In Persian)
17. Jabbareh, Mohammad Amin, **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Abdolah Zade, Amir (2010) Study on Trends of Research in Materials Science, 4th Integrated Conference of Metallurgy Engineers and Iran's Scientific Committee of Casting, November 2010, Iran university of Science and Technology, Tehran Iran (In Persian)
18. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Boostani, Darioush (2011) Sociological Pathology of Medical Education in Iran, 12th National Conference on Medical Education, May 2011, Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, Mashhad, Iran (**done with in-depth interview as data collection method**) (In Persian)

► **Scholarships & Awards**

19. 3-years PhD scholarship in Economic Sociology, University of Milan, Funded by University of Brescia (Italy)
20. Awarded a six month research visit scholarship of 6570 euros by ministry of science, research and technology of Iran for a research titled as: **"Iranian's Cyber Social Capital"**, spent in LUSI (Logique des usages, sciences sociales et de l'information) department of Telecom-Bretagne, Brest, France
21. Research titled as: **"Online Social Network Users' Cyber Social Capital"** awarded a Scholarship (tuition fee waiver for 490 euros) and has been presented in 8th edition of the Summer Course, Methods and Applications of Personal Networks (2 ECTS*) at the UAB (Barcelona), from 6th to 10th of July 2015
22. Research titled as: **"Online Social Network Users' Cyber Social Capital"** has been awarded a Scholarship (tuition fee discount for 500 euros) to be presented in summer course on Big Data and Society in University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, from 6th to 17th of July 2015

► **Accepted but not presented**

23. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Hezarjaribi, Jafar, Jullien, Nicolas (2015) Virtual-Cyber Social Capital; a new method to measure Online Social Capital, accepted to be presented Orally and published in The 2015 IEEE/ACM International Conference on Advances in Social Networks Analysis and Mining (ASONAM), August 25-28, 2015, Paris, France
24. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2013) 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
25. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2011) A SNA Study of Social Networking Sites accepted for Oral presentation at 7th UKSNA, July 7th-9th, 2011, University of Greenwich, UK
26. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar** (2011) 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, USA
27. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Nosrati Nezhad, Farhad (2011) Muslim Thinkers Social thoughts; case study of Seyed Hossein Nasr, accepted for Oral presentation at Local Conference of Social Thoughts and Sociology in Contemporary Middle East, May 2011, Iranian Association of Sociology, Tehran, Iran (In Persian)
28. **Akbaritabar, Aliakbar**, Eskandaripour, Ebrahim, Zanjari, Nasibe (2011) A SNA and Netnography Study of Social Networking Sites, accepted for Oral presentation in 1st Asia-Pacific Conference on Qualitative Research in Web 2.0, Macau China

► **Unpublished work**

29. 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"**
30. Paper in Theoretical Foundations of Sociology titled as **"A Review of Anthony Giddens's Written Work"**
31. Paper in Sociology of Literature and Sociology of Organizations titled as: **"Organizational Commitment in Ancient Literature: Content Analysis of Shahnameh Ferdowsi"**
32. Paper in Social Inequality and Stratification as: **"Educational Inequality in Iran"** has done with usage of Comparative Quantitative Analysis method

33. Paper in Sociology of Family and Sociology of Islamic Countries as: **“Polygamy in Islamic Countries”**
34. 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 reading and writing)
- French (learning now at the basic level)

► **Professional software Skills**

- Excellence in Social Network Analysis, Software like: Ucinet, Pajek, NodeXL, Gephi, Cytoscape
- 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)
- Have some Basic knowledge in R and igraph (Statistical 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
- Member of International Network for Social Network Analysis (INSNA), 2015-6
- Member of Iranian National Association of Social Welfare