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#### **EXPERIENCE**

03.2018-currently **University of Luzern** 

## Postdoctoral researcher (SNF project ACCORds)

- Working on methodological advancements of configurational comparative research methods
- Current focus multi-value algebras, multiple-output minimization algorithms of switching circuits

# ETH Zurich (external staff at Swiss Re)

01.2017-02.2018

- Scientific collaborator
  - Developed a probabilistic approach for risk/resilience assessment based on Bayesian Belief Networks
  - Identified key performance indicators (KPIs) grouped into technical, human and organizational factors
  - Organized a number of expert elicitation workshops at Swiss RE for BBN building and testing

## Paul Scherrer Institut, Switzerland

01 2013- 12 2015

- **Postdoctoral Researcher** 
  - Studied the use of Bayesian belief networks (BBNs) in Human Reliability Analysis (HRA)
  - Studied different algorithms to build BBN conditional probabilities with limited data
  - Conducted a comparative analysis of fuzzy expert and BBN based approaches for HRA

# Belgian Nuclear Research Center SCK•CEN

09.2011- 12.2012

- **Postdoctoral Researcher** 
  - Developed scenario-situation based safety culture self-assessment tool
  - Conducted focus groups and expert interviews for safety culture questionnaire development
  - Supervised master students working on expert elicitation tool for nuclear non-proliferation analysis

## University of Hasselt, Belgium

03.2012-07.2012

## **Invited researcher**

- Developed clustering algorithms for analyzing data with cognitive maps
- Studied the use of cognitive maps in traveler behavior analysis

## Institute for Advanced Studies, IMTLucca, Italy

03.2008-03.2011

#### PhD Researcher

- Studied the use of fuzzy set theory, cognitive maps and Bayesian networks for risk analysis
- Applied the theoretical findings to different application fields
- Published the results in conference proceedings and peer reviewed journals

## American University of Armenia

05.2007-08.2007

#### **Teacher Assistant**

Assisted the professor to organize the lectures, home assignments and semester projects

## **American University of Armenia**

02.2006-05.2007

#### **Laboratory Proctor**

Assisted the students to use dedicated software for different subjects' studies

## Gyumri Secondary School No 17 after G. Nideh

09.2000-06.2005

#### **Teacher of Mathematics**

- Teaching Mathematics (middle and high school students)
- Training talented students for national and international Mathematics competitions/Olympiads

#### **EDUCATION**

### Institute for Advanced Studies, IMTLucca, Italy

03.2008-03.2011

PhD in Computer Science and Engineering

Thesis: Alternative Solutions to Traditional Approaches to Risk Analysis and Decision Making Using Fuzzy Logic

#### American University of Armenia, Yerevan, Armenia

05.2005-10.2007

Master in Computer and Information Science

Thesis: Network chess for non-standard rules

Dean's List of Distinguished Students, American University of Armenia

### Armenian State Pedagogical, Gyumri, Armenia

09.1995-08.2000

Diploma in Mathematics (equivalent of MA)

Thesis: The Flat Problem of Asymmetric Theory of Elasticity for Mixed Border Conditions Applied in Rectangular Surface

## TRAININGS and SUMMER SCHOOLS

| Training on Bayesian Belief Networks machine learning from Bayesia Lab, Paris France   | 09.2017 |
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| International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) training on Practical Methods on<br>Self-Assessment of Safety culture, Rome, Italy | 10.2011 |
| The International OECD HRP/NEA Summer School on Human Reliability Analysis, Halden, Norway                                   | 08.2010 |
| 13-th PhD Summer School on Advanced Course on Artificial Intelligence (ACAI2009), Northern Ireland                           | 08.2009 |

#### **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

## Member of Local Organizing committee, ESREL 2015 conference, ETH Zurich

03.2015-09.2015

Coordination between reviewers and session chairs

Reviewer of the articles related to safety culture, human reliability analysis and fuzzy set theory sessions Helping in the organization of the conference proceedings book

Reviewer 2010- currently

Applied Soft Computing

Reliability Engineering and Safety Systems

IEEEE's Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering

### **SCHOLARSHIPS and AWARDS**

| PostDoc Researcher grant from Belgoprocess, Belgium                           | 2011      |
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| Full scholarship to learn Italian, European School of Languages, Lucca, Italy | 2010      |
| Full scholarship for PhD studies, Fondazione di Lucca, Italy                  | 2008      |
| Excellence scholar, Athgo International, US                                   | 2008      |
| Merit Scholarship, American University of Armenia                             | 2006-2008 |
| Full Study Scholarship, State Pedagogical Institute, Armenia                  | 1995-2000 |
| Silver Medal graduate, Mathematics and Physics College 'Balaton', Armenia     | 1995      |
| Chess competitions awards in Georgia and Armenia                              |           |

## **SKILLS and KNOWLEDGE**

#### Software

MATLAB, AgenaRisk, Netica, Star UML, Rational UML, Microsoft Visio

### Modelling techniques and theoretical knowledge

Cognitive Maps, Failure Mode Effects Analysis (FMEA), Hazard Operability Study (HAZOP), Event Trees, Fault Trees, UML, Business Process Management (BPM), Multi-criteria decision making, Fuzzy Set Theory, Evidence Theory, Bayesian analysis, Layers of Protection analysis (LOPA), Expert judgment analysis, Qualitative Comparative Analysis

## **LANGUAGES and HOBBIES**

Languages Armenian Mother tongue

English Fluent Russian Fluent

German TELC B2 (currently involved in C1 class)
French DELF B2 (preparing for DALF C1 exam)

Italian B2 (certificate from Lucca European School of Languages)

**Hobbies and interests** Cooking (Caucasian, Asian and Italian cuisine)

Board games (Shogi, Xiangqi and Chess)

Traveling, reading, biking

**REFERENCES** 

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