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#h-index: 22, **#i10-index:** 36

Year Of Birth: 1984

Summary

Mehdi Elahi is an an Adjunct Professor at Norwegian School of Economics (NHH) and Associate Professor at University of Bergen in Norway. He also holds the position of honorary Associate Professor at Macquarie University in Australia (#214 in QS ranking 2020). He is the co-founder of DARS research Group ¹ and the WP-Leader (& co-author) of **MediaFutures**, the largest EU-level project (total budget: €30 Million). Before that, he worked for more than 3 years as an Assistant Professor at the Free University of Bozen - Bolzano (#401 in Times ranking 2020) in Italy and 2 years as a Postdoc at Polytechnic University of Milan (#137 in QS ranking 2020).

Mehdi Elahi received M.Sc. degree in Electrical Engineering from Blekinge Institute of Technology in Sweden, and Ph.D. degree in Computer Science from Free University of Bozen - Bolzano in Italy. During the course of the Ph.D., he has researched on *Recommender Systems (RSs)*, mainly focused on the cold start problem. He has designed, developed, and evaluated (offline/online) several personalized techniques for *Active Learning* in RSs, e.g., based on user *Personality Traits*, that resulted in significant improvement over the state-of-the-art solutions. These techniques were integrated in a mobile context-aware recommender system for tourism, called South Tyrol Suggests ².

As a result of his research work, Mehdi Elahi served as a primary author or co-author on several publications in AI, ML, IR, HCI, UM, and UA related conferences ³. He was also given the opportunity to publish his research findings in the form of key publications, i.e., a book chapter in the second edition of Recommender Systems Handbook ⁴, an article in a top ACM journal (ACM-TIST ⁵), which is ranked

¹https://dars.uib.no/

²https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=it.unibz.sts.android

³https://scholar.google.it/citations?user=aUWF7LYAAAAJ

⁴https://www.amazon.com/Recommender-Systems-Handbook-Francesco-Ricci/dp/1489976361

⁵ACM-Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology (2014 IF: 9.39), http://tist.acm.org

#4 among Artificial Intelligence journals 6 , an article in a top Springer journal (UMUAI 7), ranked #12 among 1000 journals in Computer Science 8 , a survey article in Computer Science Review journal 9 , which is ranked #27 among 145 journals in Theoretical Computer Science 10 , and an article in the journal of Multimedia Tools and Applications (MTAP) 11 ranked #18 among 136 journals in Media Technology 12 .

He had the opportunity to work on several research projects, during his Ph.D. and Postdoc, comprising SUSDEM (Supporting Sequential Item Selection with Recommendation), SIPAI (Proactive Information Access Systems), STS (South Tyrol Suggests), and Mise-en-scene (Movie recommendation based on stylistic visual features) and had contribution in a recommender framework called $Hi\text{-}Rec^{13}$ Moreover, he has been actively involved in preparation of three datasets, freely available to community:

- MVT9KD dataset ¹⁴: containing deep features (face, emotion, and celebrity) from 9000 movies;
- STS dataset ¹⁵: containing user personality, emotional factors, context, and rating on POIs;
- MA14KD dataset ¹⁶: containing features that represent the visual attraction of 14000 movies;
- Mise-en-scene dataset ¹⁷: containing color, motion, light, and MPEG7 features of movies;
- PoliMovie dataset ¹⁸: containing user ratings on directors, casts, and genre of movies.

In addition to the research experience obtained during his doctoral work, he has co-invented a US-patent ¹⁹. Together with researchers from XING, he served as an organizer of the RecSys challenge 2017 ²⁰ as well as the proceeding chair of the conference ²¹. He serves as an advisor of RecSys challenge 2018, organized by Spotify ²². He has obtained several research grants including Amazon AWS cloud credits for research, and actively involved in co-authorship of EU project proposals. He has also given a number of invited talks including a recent one in Google Zürich. He has done several teachings at different educational institutes and has been nominated by students for the *Best Teacher Award* at his current university. He has been also involved in co-supervision of several Ph.D., master, and bachelor students. He has recently joined editorial board for Journal of Universal Computer Science. He also serves as a Guest Editor of several journals such as Journal of Medical Internet Research (JMIR), MDPI Electronics, and MDPI Algorithms.

Education

 $^{22} \mathtt{https://recsys-challenge.spotify.com}$

2010-2014 Ph.D. in Computer Science, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, ranked #6 in Italy (Times 2018)

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6 http://www.scimagoir.com/journalrank.php?area=0&category=1702&country=all&year=2014&order=sir&min=0&min_type=cd
 <sup>7</sup>H-Index: 47, ISI/Thompson IF: 3.0, http://www.umuai.org/
 ^{8}http://www.umuai.org/journal_rankings.html
 9http://www.journals.elsevier.com/computer-science-review
^{10} \rm http://www.scimagojr.com/journalrank.php?category=2614
11http://www.springer.com/computer/information+systems+and+applications/journal/11042
12http://www.scimagojr.com/journalrank.php?category=2214
13https://fmoghaddam.github.io/Hi-Rec/
<sup>14</sup>https://figshare.com/articles/dataset/MVT9KD/14528727/1?file=27853566
15http://goo.gl/wYGVYO
16https://bit.ly/2WYLNER
17http://goo.gl/V3ulrY
18http://goo.gl/mBMGXu
19https://patents.google.com/patent/US20180089513A1/en
^{20} \mathtt{https://recsys.acm.org/recsys17/challenge/} \ \mathrm{and} \ \mathrm{also} \ \mathtt{https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ek1dt7QG59Y}
21https://recsys.acm.org/recsys17/committees/
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Thesis: Empirical Evaluation of Active Learning Strategies in Collaborative Fil	l-
tering, Supervisor: Prof. Francesco Ricci	
M.Sc in Electrical Engineering, Blekinge Institute of Technology (BTH), Sweden	า

Professional Experiences

2021- present	Adjunct Professor, Norwegian School of Economics (NHH), Norway
2019- present	Associate Professor, University of Bergen (UiB), Norway
2020-present	Honorary Associate Professor, Macquarie University, Australia
2020-present	Lecturer, "Advanced Programming" course, University of Bergen (UiB), Norway
2020-present	Lecturer, "Data Management" course, University of Bergen (UiB), Norway
2018-2019	Lecturer, "Programming for Data Analytics" course, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2016-2019	Assistant Professor (RTD-a), Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2016-2017	Teaching Assistant, "Computer Programming", course, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2016-2017	Teaching Assistant, "Information Search and Retrieval" course, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2015-2016	Postdoctoral Researcher, Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy
2015-2016	Teaching Assistant (with partial lecturing), "Recommender Systems" course, Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy
2014-2015	Research Assistant, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2011-2016	Teaching Assistant, "Introduction to Programming" course, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2011-2012	$\begin{tabular}{ll} Teaching Assistant, "Internet Technologies" course, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy \\ \end{tabular}$
2009-2010	Master Thesis Project, Stockholm University in collaboration with Swedish Institute of Computer Science & Ericsson, Sweden

Projects and Grants

2020	€4.5 Million (WP in MEDIAFUTURES , total budget: €30 Million - SFI call)
	\$5K (Google Credits for Research)
2018	€8K (Project called VISUAL - RTD call), PI, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
	€2K (Travel grant), Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2017	\$11K (Amazon AWS Credits for Research)
	${\in}10\mathrm{K}$ (Project called $\mathit{IMPRESS}$ - RTD call), Co-I, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy

	€2K (Travel grant), Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2016	€24 K (Research grant - AR), Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy
	€2K (Project grant), Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy
2015	€24K (Research grant - AR), Polytechnic University of Milan, Italy
2014	€20.4K (Project grant), Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2013	€17K (Project grant), Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2010	€51K (Full Ph.D. Scholarship) + additional travel budget, Free University of
	Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
2009	≈15K SEK (Travel Grant), Stockholm University, Sweden

Community Service

Editorship	Editorial Board of Journal of Universal Computer Science
	Guest Editor of Journal of Medical Internet Research
	Guest Editor of Springer Behaviormetrika Journal
	Guest Editor of MDPI Journal of Algorithms
	Guest Editor of MDPI Journal of Electronics
	Invited to join editorial board of the Springer Journal of Information Technology $\&$ Tourism (JITT)
Invited Talk	
2021	Norwegian School of Economics (NHH), Bergen, Norway
	CSICC 2021 International Computer Conference by Computer Society, Iran
2020	University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway
2019	University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria
	Polytechnic University of Milan, Milan, Italy
	University of Bergen, Bergen, Norway
2018	Google, Zürich, Switzerland
	University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark
	University of Nottingham, Nottingham, England
	R&D Management Conference, Milan, Italy
2015	Polytechnic University of Milan, Milan, Italy
2014	Polytechnic University of Milan, Milan, Italy
Organizer 2021	UMAP'21 Proceedings Chair, Utrecht, Netherlands

MORS'21: Workshop on Multi-Objective Recommender Systems

2018 RecSys Challenge'18 Advisor: automatic playlist generation with Spotify

Workshop of RecSys Challenge'18, Montreal, Canada

DMRS'18: Workshop on Decision Making and Recommender Systems, Bolzano,

Italy

2017 RecSys'17 Proceedings Chair, Como, Italy

RecSys Challenge'17: job recommendation with XING

Workshop of RecSys Challenge'17, Como, Italy

Project Reviewer

Swiss National Science Foundation 2020

Canadian Mitacs Accelerate 2020

Flemish action plan on Artificial Intelligence 2020

Marie Curie Action (MSCA) 2017

Book Chapter Reviewer

Chapters in Collaborative Recommendations: Algorithms, Practical Challenges and Applications

Chapters in Recommender Systems Handbook (second edition)

Journal Reviewer

IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE)

IEEE Intelligent Systems

ACM Transactions on Interactive Intelligent Systems (TIIS)

ACM Transactions on the Web (TWEB)

ACM Journal on Computing and Cultural Heritage (JOCCH)

Elsevier International Journal of Human-Computer Studies (IJHCS)

Elsevier Expert Systems with Applications

Elsevier Information Systems

Elsevier Information Processing and Management

Elsevier Journal of Systems and Software, Special Issue of the on Mobile Applications: Status and Trends

Springer Journal of Personal and Ubiquitous Computing

Springer Journal of User Modelling and User-Adapted Interaction (UMUAI)

Springer Journal on Very Large Data Bases (VLDB)

Springer Journal of Multimedia Tools and Applications (MTAP)

Springer Information Retrieval Journal

Journal of Interaction Studies

Journal Behaviour & Information Technology (TBIT)

Journal of Interaction Design and Architecture (IxD&A)

Conf. & Workshop Reviewer 2020

ECAI'20: the 24th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Santiago de Compostela, Spain

ECIR'20: European Conference on Information Retrieval, Lisbon Portugal

WWW'19: The World Wide Web Conference, Taipei, Taiwan

SAC'20: Symposium On Applied Computing, Brno, Czech Republic

2019 IJCAI'19: International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Macao, China [Distinguished PC Member]

RecSys'19: ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, Copenhagen, Denmark

WWW'19: The World Wide Web Conference, San Francisco, USA

UMAP'19: ACM Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization, Cyprus

CBI'19: IEEE Conference on Business Informatics, Moscow, Russia

ExHUM'19: workshop on Explainable And Holistic User Modeling, Cyprus

HUMANIZE'19: Theory-Informed User Modeling for Tailoring and Personalizing Interfaces, Los Angeles, USA

2018 WWW'18: The World Wide Web Conference, Lyon, France

RecSys'18: ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, Vancouver, Canada

UMAP'18: ACM Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization, Singapore (main session), Singapore

UMAP'18 LBR: ACM Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization (LBR session), Singapore, Singapore

SAC'18: Symposium On Applied Computing, Pau, France

 $\operatorname{HT'}\!18:$ ACM Conference on Hypertext and Social Media (sub-reviewer), Maryland, USA

Workshop of RecSys Challenge'18, Vancouver, Canada

HUMANIZE'18: Workshop on Theory-Informed User Modeling for Tailoring And Personalizing Interfaces, In conjunction with IUI, Tokyo, Japan

CiA'18: Workshop on Context in Analytics, in conjunction with IEEE ICDE, Paris, France

2017 RecSys'17: ACM Conference on Recommender Systems, Como, Italy

SAC'17, ACM Symposium On Applied Computing, Track on Recommender Systems: Theory and Applications (RS), Marrakech, Morocco

UMAP'17: ACM Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization (LBR reviewer), Bratislava, Slovakia

RecSys Challenge'17: International Workshop on the RecSys Challenge 2017, In conjunction with RecSys, Como, Italy

HUMANIZE'17: Workshop on Theory-Informed User Modeling for Tailoring And Personalizing Interfaces, In conjunction with IUI, Limassol, Cyprus

EnCHIReS'17: Workshop on Engineering Computer-Human Interaction in Recommender Systems, In conjunction with EICS, Lisbon, Portugal

HealthRecSys'17: International Workshop on Health Recommender Systems, In conjunction with RecSys, Como, Italy

RecSysKTL'17: Workshop on Intelligent Recommender Systems by Knowledge Transfer & Learning, In conjunction with RecSys, Como, Italy

EdRecSys'17: International Workshop on Educational Recommender Systems, In conjunction with UMAP, Bratislava, Slovakia

SOAP'17: workshop on Surprise, Opposition, and Obstruction in Adaptive and Personalized Systems, In conjunction with UMAP, Bratislava, Slovakia

WPRSM'17: International Workshop on Web Personalization, Recommender Systems, and Social Media, In conjunction with WI, Leipzig, Germany

2016 RecSys'16: ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (sub-reviewer), Boston, MA, USA

UMAP'16: 24th Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization (sub-reviewer), Halifax, Canada

EMPIRE'16: workshop on Emotions and Personality in Personalized Services (in conjunction with the ACM RecSys 2016), Boston, MA, USA

SOAP'16: ACM SIGPLAN International Workshop on the State Of the Art in Program Analysis (Co-located with PLDI 2016), Santa Barbara, California

FLAIRS '16: The 29th International FLAIRS Conference, In cooperation with the American Association for Artificial Intelligence, Florida, USA

2015 FLAIRS '15: the 28th International Conference of Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society (FLAIRS), Florida, USA

EMPIRE '15: 3rd workshop on Emotions and Personality in Personalized Services (in conjunction with the ACM RecSys 2015), Vienna , Austria

SoMeRA '15: 2nd International Workshop on Social Media Retrieval and Analysis (in conjunction with the IEEE ICDM 2015), Atlantic City, USA

2014 EMPIRE '14: 2nd workshop on Emotions and Personality in Personalized Services (co-located with UMAP'14), Aalborg, Denmark

SoMeRA '14: International Workshop on Social Media Retrieval and Analysis (co-located with SIGIR'14), Gold coast, Australia

2012 ADMIRE: International Workshop on Advances in Music Information Research (co-located with WWW'12), Lyon, France

Professional Membership

2014 - present | ACM Professional Member

2020 - present | European Alliance for Innovation (EAI)

2013 - present | Italian Association for Artificial Intelligence (AI*IA)

2013 - 2014 | IEEE Student Member

Technical Skills

Java, Matlab, R, Python (Scikit-learn, PySpark, Graphlab, etc.), Pascal, C++, J2ME, ASP, PHP, MySQL, Workbench, SQLite, iDeas, OPNET, Joomla, Latex, Adobe Photoshop

Language Skills

Native | Persian

Fluent Turkish (Azeri)

Very Good | English

Fine Italian

Basic Norwegian, Swedish, German, Chinese, Arabic, French

Hobbies

Sports Climbing, Hiking, Basketball, Ping pong, Chess
Books Philosophy, Psychology, Economics, Neurology, Architecture, Movie Making
Music Playing Electrical Guitar
Others Photography. My shots: https://www.flickr.com/photos/60733276@N07

Supervision

Official

Ph.D. supervisor of Anastasiia Klimashevskaia, MediaFutures at UiB, Norway

Ph.D. co-supervisor of Stefano Savian, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy

Ph.D. co-supervisor of Naieme Hazrati, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy

Ph.D. co-supervisor of Fatemeh Elahi, SBU, Iran

Master thesis co-advisor of Noah Cohen, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy

Master thesis supervisor Oyvind Johannessen, University of Bergen

Master thesis supervisor Tord Kvifte, University of Bergen

Master thesis co-supervisor of $\,$ Giulia Burgio, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy (Cum Laude)

Master thesis co-supervisor of Anna L. Alexander, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy (Cum Laude)

Internship supervisor of Billal Mahmood, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano

Master thesis co-supervisor of Ayoub el Majjodi, National Advanced School of Computer Science and System Analysis, Morocco

Unofficial

Ph.D. co-supervisor of Srinivasa R. Goluguri, Macquarie University, Australia

	Master thesis advisor of Billal Mahmood, Free university of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy Master thesis co-advisor of Nima Maleki, Politecnico di Milano, Italy Master thesis co-advisor of Filippo Maria Cardano, Free University of Bozen - Bolzano, Italy
Mentoring	
2018	ACM RecSys Doctoral Symposium
2017	ACM RecSys Doctoral Symposium

Publications

Patent	
2016	Paolo Cremonesi, Mehdi Elahi, and Yashar Deldjoo. Enhanced content-based multimedia recommendation method, March 29 2018. US Patent App. 15/277,490
Book	Mohammadreza Moradian, Mehdi Elahi: Media Discourse Listening to the VOA, Arad Publications co., (ISBN: 964-8943-30-3), 2005, Tehran, Iran
Book Chapter	
2020	Mehdi Elahi, Lianyong Qi, Fashion Recommender Systems in Cold Start, Book Chapter in Fashion Recommender Systems, Springer Verlag Publication
	Savian, Stefano, Mehdi Elahi, and Tammam Tillo, Optical Flow Estimation with Deep Learning, a Survey on Recent Advances. Book Chapter in Deep Biometrics. Springer, Springer Verlag Publication
2019	Mehdi Elahi, Matthias Braunhofer, Tural Gurbanov, Francesco Ricci, User preference elicitation, rating sparsity and cold start, Book Chapter in Collaborative Recommendations: Algorithms, Practical Challenges and Applications, World Scientific Publication
	Farshad Bakhshandegan Moghaddam, Mehdi Elahi, Cold Start Solutions For Recommendation Systems, book chapter in Big Data Recommender Systems: Recent Trends and Advances, IET Publication
2015	Neil Rubens, Mehdi Elahi, Masashi Sugiyama, Dain Kaplan, Active Learning in Recommender Systems. Book chapter in Recommender Systems Handbook, Springer Verlag Publication
Journal	
2021	Mehdi Elahi, Danial Khosh Kholgh, Mohammad Sina Kiarostami, Sorush Saghari, Shiva Shiva Parsa Rad, and Marko Tkalcic. Investigating the impact of recommender systems on user-based and item-based popularity bias. In Journal of Information Processing and Management, year=2021 (Accepted with minor revision) [IF: 4.787, Norwegian level: 2 (highly prestigious)]

Naieme Hazrati and Mehdi Elahi. Addressing the new item problem in video recommender systems by incorporation of visual features with restricted boltzmann machines. *Expert Systems*, 2020

[IF: 1.546, Norwegian level: 2 (highly prestigious)]

Claudio A. Ardagna, Rasool Asal, Ernesto Damiani, Nabil El Ioini, Mehdi Elahi, and Claus Pahl. From trustworthy data to trustworthy iot: A data collection methodology based on blockchain. *ACM Transactions on Cyber-Physical Systems*, 2020 [CiteScore: 0.23, h5-median: 33, Norwegian level: 1]

2018 Markus Schedl, Hamed Zamani, Ching-Wei Chen, Yashar Deldjoo, and Mehdi Elahi. Current challenges and visions in music recommender systems research. *International Journal of Multimedia Information Retrieval*, Apr 2018

[CiteScore: 0.23, h5-median: 31, Norwegian level: 1]

Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, Massimo Quadrana, and Paolo Cremonesi. Using visual features based on mpeg-7 and deep learning for movie recommendation. *International Journal of Multimedia Information Retrieval*, 2018

[CiteScore: 0.23, h5-median: 31, Norwegian level: 1]

- 2017 Paolo Cremonesi, Mehdi Elahi, and Franca Garzotto. User interface patterns in recommendation-empowered content intensive multimedia applications. *Multimedia Tools and Applications*, pages 1–35, 2017

 [5-year IF: 1.57, h-index: 45, Norwegian level: 1]
- 2016 Ignacio Fernandez Tobias, Matthias Braunhofer, Mehdi Elahi, Francesco Ricci, and Cantador Ivan. Alleviating the new user problem in collaborative filtering by exploiting personality information. User Modeling and User-Adapted Interaction (UMUAI)

 [5-year IF 4.54, h-index: 61, Norwegian level: 2]

Mehdi Elahi, Francesco Ricci, and Neil Rubens. A survey of active learning in collaborative filtering recommender systems. Computer Science Review, 2016 [2nd most cited, CiteScore: 8.66, h-index: 28, Norwegian level: 1]

Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, Paolo Cremonesi, Franca Garzotto, Pietro Piazzolla, and Massimo Quadrana. Content-based video recommendation system based on stylistic visual features. *Journal on Data Semantics*, 5(2):99–113, 2016 [CiteScore 1.55, h-index: 11]

- 2014 Matthias Braunhofer, Mehdi Elahi, and Francesco Ricci. Techniques for cold-starting context-aware mobile recommender systems for tourism. *Intelligenza Artificiale*, 8(2):129–143, 2014
- 2013 Mehdi Elahi, Francesco Ricci, and Neil Rubens. Active learning strategies for rating elicitation in collaborative filtering: A system-wide perspective. ACM Transactions on Intelligent Systems and Technology (TIST), 5(1):13, 2013 [5-year IF 10.47, h-index: 61]

Conference

2021 Mehdi Elahi, Himan Abdollahpouri, Masoud Mansoury, and Helma Torkamaan. Beyond algorithmic fairness in recommender systems. In Adjunct Publication of the ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization, 2021

Mehdi Elahi, Farshad Bakhshandegan Moghaddam, Reza Hosseini, Mohammad Hossein Rimaz, Nabil El Ioini, Marko Tkalcic, Christoph Trattner, and Tammam Tillo. Recommending videos in cold start with automatic visual tags. In *Adjunct Publication of the ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, 2021

2020 Mehdi Elahi, Reza Hosseini, Mohammad H Rimaz, Farshad B Moghaddam, and Christoph Trattner. Visually-aware video recommendation in the cold start. In *Proceedings of the 31st ACM Conference on Hypertext and Social Media*, pages 225–229, 2020

Naieme Hazrati, Mehdi Elahi, and Francesco Ricci. Simulating the impact of recommender systems on the evolution of collective users' choices. In *Proceedings of the 31st ACM Conference on Hypertext and Social Media*, pages 207–212, 2020

Mehdi Elahi, Nabil El Ioini, Anna Alexander Lambrix, and Mouzhi Ge. Exploring personalized university ranking and recommendation. In *Adjunct Publication of the 28th ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, pages 6–10, 2020

Ayoub El Majjodi, Mehdi Elahi, Nabil El Ioini, and Christoph Trattner. Towards generating personalized country recommendation. In Adjunct Publication of the 28th ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization, pages 71–76, 2020

2019 Marko Tkalčič, Nima Maleki, Matevž Pesek, Mehdi Elahi, Francesco Ricci, and Matija Marolt. Prediction of music pairwise preferences from facial expressions. In *Proceedings of the 24th International Conference on Intelligent User Interfaces*, IUI '19, pages 150–159, New York, NY, USA, 2019. ACM

Mohammad Hossein Rimaz, Mehdi Elahi, Farshad Bakhshandegan Moghadam, Christoph Trattner, Reza Hosseini, and Marko Tkalcic;. Exploring the power of visual features for the recommendation of movies. In *Proceedings of the 27th ACM Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, UMAP '19, pages 303–308, New York, NY, USA, 2019. ACM

Stefano Savian, Mehdi Elahi, and Tammam Tillo. Benchmarking the imbalanced behavior of deep learning based optical flow estimators. In 2019 15th International Conference on Signal-Image Technology & Internet-Based Systems (SITIS), pages 151–158. IEEE, 2019

Yashar Deldjoo, Markus Schedl, and Mehdi Elahi. Movie genome recommender: A novel recommender system based on multimedia content. In 2019 International Conference on Content-Based Multimedia Indexing (CBMI), pages 1–4. IEEE, 2019

Naieme Hazrati, Mehdi Elahi, and Francesco Ricci. Analysing recommender systems impact on users choices. CEUR-WS, 2019

Farshad B Moghaddam, Mehdi Elahi, Reza Hosseini, Christoph Trattner, and Marko Tkalčič. Predicting movie popularity and ratings with visual features. In 2019 14th International Workshop on Semantic and Social Media Adaptation and Personalization (SMAP), pages 1–6. IEEE, 2019

- 2018 Dario Cavada, Mehdi Elahi, David Massimo, Stefano Maule, Elena Not, Francesco Ricci, and Adriano Venturini. Tangible tourism with the internet of things. In *Information and Communication Technologies in Tourism 2018*, pages 349–361. Springer, 2018
- 2017 Mehdi Elahi, Yashar Deldjoo, Farshad Bakhshandegan Moghaddam, Leonardo Cella, Stefano Cereda, and Paolo Cremonesi. Exploring the semantic gap for movie recommendations. In *Proceedings of the Eleventh ACM Conference on Recommender Systems*, pages 326–330. ACM, 2017

Marko Tkalčič, Nima Maleki, Matevž Pesek, Mehdi Elahi, Francesco Ricci, and Matija Marolt. A research tool for user preferences elicitation with facial expressions. In *Proceedings of the Eleventh ACM Conference on Recommender Systems*, pages 353–354. ACM, 2017

David Massimo, Mehdi Elahi, Mouzhi Ge, and Francesco Ricci. Item contents good, user tags better: Empirical evaluation of a food recommender system. In *Proceedings of the 25th Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, pages 373–374. ACM, 2017

David Massimo, Mehdi Elahi, and Francesco Ricci. Learning user preferences by observing user-items interactions in an iot augmented space. In *Adjunct Publication of the 25th Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, pages 35–40. ACM, 2017

Hanna Schäfer, Mehdi Elahi, David Elsweiler, Georg Groh, Morgan Harvey, Bernd Ludwig, Francesco Ricci, and Alan Said. User nutrition modelling and recommendation: Balancing simplicity and complexity. In *Adjunct Publication of the 25th Conference on User Modeling, Adaptation and Personalization*, pages 93–96. ACM, 2017

Fabian Abel, Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, and Daniel Kohlsdorf. Recsys challenge 2017: Offline and online evaluation. In *Proceedings of the Eleventh ACM Conference on Recommender Systems*. ACM, 2017

2016 Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, Paolo Cremonesi, Franca Garzotto, and Pietro Piazzolla. Recommending movies based on mise-en-scene design. In Proceedings of the 2016 CHI Conference Extended Abstracts on Human Factors in Computing Systems, pages 1540– 1547. ACM, 2016

Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, and Paolo Cremonesi. How to combine visual features with tags to improve the movie recommendation accuracy? In *E-Commerce and Web Technologies (EC-Web)*. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 2016

2015 Mouzhi Ge, Mehdi Elahi, Ignacio Fernández-Tobías, Francesco Ricci, and David Massimo. Using tags and latent factors in a food recommender system. In 5th ACM International Conference on Digital Health. ACM, 2015

Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, Massimo Quadrana, and Paolo Cremonesi. Toward building a content-based video recommendation system based on low-level features. In *E-Commerce and Web Technologies (EC-Web)*. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 2015

Paolo Cremonesi, Mehdi Elahi, and Franca Garzotto. Interaction design patterns in recommender systems. In *The 11th Edition of ACM CHItaly, the biannual Conference of the Italian SIGCHI Chapter*. ACM, 2015

Yashar Deldjoo, Mehdi Elahi, Massimo Quadrana, Paolo Cremonesi, and Franca Garzotto. Toward effective movie recommendations based on mise-en-sc?ne film styles. In The 11th Edition of ACM CHItaly, the biannual Conference of the Italian SIGCHI Chapter. ACM, 2015

Matthias Braunhofer, Mehdi Elahi, and Francesco Ricci. User personality and the new user problem in a context-aware points of interest recommender system. In *Information and Communication Technologies in Tourism 2015*. Springer International Publishing, 2015

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