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# Summary

Moshe holds PhD. (Software and Information Systems Engineering), M.Sc (Software and Information Systems Engineering), and B.Sc (Software Engineering) from Ben-Gurion University (BGU) of the Negev, Israel. His research work focuses on personalization, Data Mining, Machine Learning and Recommender Systems with emphasis to context inference with deep learning techniques and its usage in recommender systems. He is currently an assistant professor at the Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University. Before joining Tel-Aviv University Moshe was a post-doctoral research scientist at NYU Stern School of Business and an associate research scientist at the NYU Stern Fubon Center of Technology, Business, and Innovation. Prior to his Ph.D. studies, he held various engineering and management positions in the high-tech industry and collaborated with various high-tech companies, such as Dell EMC, Deutsche Telekom and Spotify.

#### **Research Interests**

Recommendation systems, big data, machine learning, deep learning, cyber security.

### **Education**

2014 – 2018 PhD in Software and Information Systems Engineering, Ben-Gurion University, Israel.

2012 – 2014 MSc in Software and Information Systems Engineering, Ben-Gurion University, Israel.

2009 – 2012 BSc in Software Engineering, Ben-Gurion University, Israel.

### **Work Experience**

- 2022 Today Assistant Professor of Management of Technology and Information Systems
  Coller School of Management, Tel Aviv University
- 2020 2021 Associate Research Scientist
  NYU Stern Fubon Center for Technology, Business, and Innovation
- 2018 2020 *Postdoctoral Researcher*New York University, Stern School of Business
- 2013 2018 Research Assistant, Project Manager

  Deutsche Telekom Innovation Laboratories, Beer-Sheva, Israel Cyber Security
  Research Center at Ben-Gurion University (BGU)

# **Teaching Experience**

- Introduction to Big Data Analytics (Fall, Spring 2022), Tel-Aviv University Evaluations: 6.4 (out of 7)
- Recommender Systems (Spring 2022), Tel-Aviv University
- Data Mining and Business Analytics Tech (Fall 2020), NYU
- Analysis and Design of Information Systems, Ben-Gurion University Evaluations: 4.3, 4.6 (out of 5)
- Principles of Programming Languages, BGU Evaluations: 4.5 (out of 5)
- Introduction to Information Systems, Shamoon College of Engineering, Israel
- Analysis and Design of Information Systems in Object Oriented Approach, Shamoon College of Engineering, Israel

#### **Publications in Refereed Conferences**

- Adomavicius, Gediminas, et al. "CARS: Workshop on Context-Aware Recommender Systems 2022." Proceedings of the 16th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems. 2022.
- Adomavicius, G., Bauman, K., Mobasher, B., Ricci, F., Tuzhilin, A., & Unger, M. (2021, September). Workshop on Context-Aware Recommender Systems (CARS) 2021.
   In Fifteenth ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (pp. 813-814).
- Unger, M., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Bar, A. (2017, July). Inferring contextual preferences
  using deep auto-encoding. In Proceedings of the 25<sup>th</sup> Conference on User Modeling,
  Adaptation and Personalization (pp. 221-229).ACM.
- Bar, A., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Unger, M. (2016, December). Scalable attack propagation model and algorithms for honeypot systems. In *Big Data, 2016 IEEE International Conference on* (pp. 1130-1135). IEEE.
- Bar, A., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Unger, M. (2016, June). Identifying Attack Propagation
  Patterns in Honeypots Using Markov Chains Modeling and Complex Networks Analysis.
  In Software Science, Technology and Engineering (SWSTE), 2016 IEEE International
  Conference on (pp. 28-36). IEEE.
- Unger, M., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Bar, A. (2016). Deep Auto-Encoding for Context-Aware Inference of Preferred Items' Categories. In RecSys Posters.
- Unger, M. (2015, September). Latent context-aware recommender systems. In Proceedings of the 9th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (pp. 383-386).
   ACM.
- Unger, M., Bar, A., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Gudes, E. (2014, September). Contexto: lessons learned from mobile context inference. In Proceedings of the 2014 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing: Adjunct Publication (pp. 175-178). ACM.

# **Publications in Scientific Journals**

- Unger, Moshe, et al. "Don't Need All Eggs in One Basket: Reconstructing Composite Embeddings of Customers from Individual-Domain Embeddings." ACM Transactions on Management Information Systems (2023).
- Unger, M., Tuzhilin, A., & Livne, A. (2020). Context-Aware Recommendations Based on Deep Learning Frameworks. ACM Transactionson Management Information Systems (TMIS), 11(2), 1-15.
- Unger, M., & Tuzhilin, A. (2020). Hierarchical Latent Context Representation for Context-Aware Recommendations. IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE).
- Unger, M., Shapira, B., Rokach, L., & Livne, A. (2018). Inferring contextual preferences using deep encoder-decoder learners. New Review of Hypermedia and Multimedia, 24(3), 262-290.
- Unger, M., Bar, A., Shapira, B., & Rokach, L. (2016). Towards latent context-aware recommendation systems. Knowledge-Based Systems, 104,165-178.

#### **Work Under Review**

- Unger, M., Cohen, B., Brost, B. & Tuzhilin, A. Deep Multi-Objective Multi-Stakeholder Music Recommendation (Joint work with Spotify)- Major Revision R&R (ISR)
- Unger, M., Bauman, K. & Tuzhilin, A., HyperCARS: Using Hyperbolic Embeddings for Generating Hierarchical Contextual Situations in Context-Aware Recommender Systems)- Major Revision R&R (ISR)
- Unger, M., Wedel, M. & Tuzhilin, A. Predicting Consumer Choice from Raw Eye-Movement Data Using the RETINA Deep Learning Architecture-Submitted to Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery (DMKD)

# **Chapters in Books**

Gediminas Adomavicius, Konstantin Bauman, Alexander Tuzhilin and Moshe Unger.
 Context-Aware Recommender Systems: From Foundations to Recent Developments,
 Recommender systems handbook (2021)

# **Conference Participation**

- The 39th IEEE International Conference on Data Engineering (ICDE 2023), Anaheim,
   California, USA, April 3 7, 2023
- The 16th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), Seattle, WA, USA, 18th-23rd September 2022 (CARS Workshop *Organizer*)
- Statistical Challenges in Electronic Commerce Research (SCECR), June 21st June 22nd,
   2022, Madrid, Spain
- The 15th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), Amsterdam,
   Netherlands, 27th September-1st October 2021 (CARS Workshop Organizer)
- The 14th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), Online,
   Worldwide, September 22-26, 2020 (CARS Workshop Organizer)
- The 29th Workshop on information technologies and systems (WITS 2019), December
   18-20, 2019, Munich, Germany (CARS Workshop Organizer)
- International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS), December 15-18,2019,
   Munich, Germany
- Conference on Information Systems and Technology (CIST), October 19-20,2019 (Seattle, WA)
- The 13th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys),
   Copenhagen, Denmark, September 16-20, 2019
- The 25th ACM Conference on User Modelling, Adaptation and Personalization (UMAP),
   Bratislava, 2018

- 11th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), Como, Italy, 2017
- 10th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), Boston, 2016
- 2016 IEEE International Conference on Software Science, Technology and Engineering (SWSTE), Israel
- 2016 IEEE International Conference on Big Data, Washington
- 9th ACM Conference on Recommender Systems (RecSys), 2015
- 2014 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing (Ubicomp), 2014

#### **Patents**

- Recommendation System and Method for a Mobile Device Based on Raw Data
   Which is Collected from Sensors of the Mobile Device.
- A Method for Extracting Latent Context Patterns from Sensors.
- Designing Context Aware Recommendations Systems Based on Latent Contexts.
- Model for Identifying Attack Propagation Patterns in a Monitored Sensor-Based System.
- Method for Classifying Attack Sources in Cyber-Attack Sensor Systems.
- Prediction System Configured for Modeling the Expected Number of Attacks on a Computer or Communication Network.

#### **Academic Services**

Referee for MIS Quarterly (MISQ), Information Systems Research (ISR), International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS), IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE), Knowledge-Based Systems, Transactions on Data Science, RecSys, IEEE Access