

# Shahrooz Pouryousef

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## Legal Status

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- **U.S. Permanent Resident**

## Research interests

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Distributed fault tolerant quantum computing, security in quantum machine learning, quantum networks

## Education

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<b>UMass Amherst</b> Ph.D degree in Computer Science	<b>Aug. 2020 – Jun 2025</b>
<b>UMass Amherst</b> Master Degree in Computer Science	<b>Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2020</b>
<b>Sharif University of Technology</b> Master Degree in Computer Engineering	<b>Sep. 2013 – Aug. 2015</b>

## Research Experience

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<b>Cisco quantum lab (Cisco Systems) Research Scientist</b>	<b>Summer 2025 – Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Circuit partitioning for fault-tolerant distributed quantum computing</li><li>○ Conduct research on using classical data center architectures for a quantum data center.</li><li>○ Develop simulation and scheduling frameworks for large-scale fault-tolerant distributed quantum systems.</li></ul>	
<b>Cisco Quantum lab Intern</b>	<b>Summer 2023</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Scheduler for remote-gate execution in a quantum data centers</li><li>○ Formulating quantum network planning as an optimization problem</li><li>○ Formal analysis and evaluation of different entanglement distribution protocols</li></ul>	
<b>ACQUIRE (Quantum networks research lab)</b>	<b>September. 2020 - Jun 2025</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Design and evaluation of Quantum Storage Networks (QSNs).</li><li>○ Resource allocation for entanglement generation and distillation in quantum networks</li><li>○ Accelerating Quantum Error Correction with Machine Learning-Based Decoding</li></ul>	
<b>Advanced Networked Systems Research lab</b>	<b>Aug. 2017 - Aug. 2020</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Design and implementation of a logically centralized architecture for interdomain routing</li><li>○ Implementation of a reinforcement learning system for traffic engineering in Intradomain routing for ISPs</li></ul>	
<b>Calipr research group</b>	<b>Aug. 2017 - Dec 2019</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Developing an open source framework which conducts longitudinal Internet-scale measurements to identify when popular domains are victims of typosquatting</li></ul>	

## Publications

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- Network-Aware Scheduling for Remote Gate Execution in Quantum Data Centers
  - **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Reza Nejabati, Don Towsley, Ramana Kompella, and Eneet Kaur
  - arXiv:2504.20176
- Analyzing the Impact of Network Constraints on Fault-Tolerant Distributed Quantum Computing
  - **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Hassan Shapourian Eneet Kaur, and Reza Nejabati
  - Under submission
- SoK: Critical Evaluation of Quantum Machine Learning for Adversarial Robustness
  - Jesus Lopez, Saeefa Rubaiyet Nowmi **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, and Mohammad Saidur Rahman
  - Submitted to NDSS 25
- Optimized quantum circuit partitioning across multiple quantum processors

- Eneet Kaur, **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Shapourian, H., Zhao, J., Kilzer, M., Kompella, R. and Nejabati
- IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering (2025)
- Leveraging Internet Principles to Build a Quantum Network
  - Bacciottini, Leonardo, Matheus Guedes De Andrade, **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Emily A. Van Milligen, Aparimit Chandra, Nitish K. Panigrahy, Nageswara SV Rao, Gayane Vardoyan, and Don Towsley
  - IEEE Networks (2025)
- Resource Placement for Rate and Fidelity Maximization in Quantum Networks
  - **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Hassan Shapourian, Alireza Shabani, Ramana Kompella, and Don Towsley
  - IEEE Transactions on Quantum Engineering (2024)
- Analysis of Asynchronous Protocols for Entanglement Distribution in Quantum Networks
  - **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Hassan Shapourian, and Don Towsley
  - International Conference on Quantum Communications, Networking, and Computing 2024
- On the Analysis of Quantum Repeater Chains with Sequential Swaps
  - Matheus Guedes de Andrade, Emily A Van Milligen, Leonardo Bacciottini, Aparimit Chandra, **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Nitish K Panigrahy, Gayane Vardoyan, Don Towsley
  - arXiv preprint arXiv:2405.18252
- Quantum Network Planning for Utility Maximization
  - **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Hassan Shapourian, Alireza Shabani, and Don Towsley
  - 1st Workshop on Quantum Networks and Distributed Quantum Computing, pp. 13-18. 2023.
- A Quantum Overlay Network for Efficient Entanglement Distribution
  - **Shahrooz. Pouryousef**, Nitish K. Panigrahy , and Don Towsley
  - IEEE INFOCOM 2023.
- Scaling Limits of Quantum Repeater Networks
  - Mahdi Chehimi, **Shahrooz Pouryousef**, Nitish K Panigrahy, Don Towsley, Walid Saad
  - QCE 2023. Bellevue, Washington, USA (Sep 2023).
- Resource Management in Quantum Virtual Private Networks.”
  - **Shahrooz. Pouryousef**, Nitish K. Panigrahy, Monimoy Deb Purkayastha, Sabyasachi Mukhopadhyay, Gert Grammel, Dominoko Di Mola, and Don Towsley.
  - QCE23 poster
- Towards Logically Centralized Interdomain Routing
  - **Shahrooz. Pouryousef**, Lixin Gao, and Arun Venkataramani
  - 17th USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI '20 Fall).
- Extortion or Expansion? An investigation into the costs and consequences of ICANN’s gTLD experiments
  - **Shahrooz. Pouryousef**, Muhammad Daniyal Dar, Suleman Ahmad, Phillipa Gill, and Rishab Nithyanand
  - Passive and Active Measurement Conference, Measurement tools and Network security and privacy track, 2020.

## Teaching Experience

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- Instructor
  - **Introduction to Computer Programming (CICS 110)**  
UMass Amherst, CICS, Fall 2024  
Enrollment: **54 students**

- **First-Year Undergraduate Seminar on Exploring Modern Computing**  
UMass Amherst, CICS, Fall 2023  
Enrollment: **40 students**
- **Teaching Assistant**
  - **CS453 Computer Networks**  
UMass Amherst, Spring 2023
  - **Computer Network Security**  
Sharif University of Technology, Spring 2013
  - **Wireless Networks**  
Sharif University of Technology, Spring 2014

## **Outreach & Service**

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- **Reviewer**  
IEEE Transactions on Networking (ToN) journal and ICC conference
- **CQN SLC Industry Officer**  
Organized events to foster community within the Center for Quantum Networks (CQN) 2023–2024
- **CICS Graduate Student Representative**  
UMass Amherst, CICS, 2022–2023  
Attended weekly faculty meetings to discuss department issues, hiring, and promotions
- **Member, UMASS CICS Social Committee**  
Served for two semesters to enhance social engagement 2019–2020
- **Member, Graduate Students Committee for Faculty Hiring**  
Participated in interviewing faculty candidates for three semesters 2021–2022
- **PhD Applicants Support Program (PASP) Committee Member**  
Assisted applicants from underrepresented groups in improving PhD applications 2021–2023

## **Mentoring Experience**

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- **Undergraduate Mentorship in Quantum Research**  
Mentored four undergraduates on projects related to quantum error correction and distributed quantum computing.