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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	<b>UC San Diego (UCSD)</b> , San Diego, CA, United States Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering <i>Assistant Professor</i> <i>Associate Professor</i>	<b>July 2015 – July 2020</b> <b>July 2020 – present</b>
EDUCATION		
<i>Ph.D</i>	<b>University of Texas at Austin</b> , US • Computer Science Department; Advisor: Prof. Tandy Warnow (& Keshav Pingali)	<b>Jan. 2011 – July 2015</b>
<i>M.S</i>	<b>University of Waterloo</b> , ON, Canada • Electrical and Computer Engineering; Advisor: Prof. Ladan Tahvildari	<b>Sept. 2006 – Sept. 2008</b>
<i>B.S</i>	<b>University of Tehran</b> , Tehran, Iran • Electrical and Computer Engineering (Specialized in software engineering)	<b>Sept. 2001 – Dec. 2005</b>
AWARDS	NSF CAREER award Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow. Honorable Mention for the 2015 ACM Doctoral Dissertation Award. Bert Kay Dissertation Award, UT, Austin, Computer Science Howard Hughes Medical Institute International Student Fellowship. National Science and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), Canada Graduate Scholarship (CGS-D) converted to PGS-D outside Canada. Other awards: UT, Austin, College of Natural Sci., Dean’s Excellence Award (2011), Dean’s Prestigious Fellowship Award (2011 – 2014), and MCD fellowship (2011)	<b>2019</b> <b>2017</b> <b>2016</b> <b>2016</b> <b>2012 - 2015</b> <b>2011- 2012</b>
RESEARCH FUNDING	NSF: CISE-1845967: “CAREER: Robust & scalable genome...” \$549k (5 years) NSF: CISE-1815485 : “III: SMALL: New algorithms for genome ...” \$500k (3 years) NSF: CISE-1565862: “CRII: III: Using genomic context to ...” \$170k (2 years) NIH-CFAR: “Accuracy of HIV transmission network ...” \$439K (2 years) CFAR, “Algorithms for prioritizing prevention intervention ... HIV”, \$50K Sloan foundation fellowship, \$60K (2 years) Other gifts and internal grants ≈\$100K	2019 2018 2016 2016 2019–2020 2016–2018 2017–2019
PHD STUDENTS	Niema Moshiri, Now: Assistant Teaching Professor, UCSD (CSE Dep.) Erfan Sayyari: Now: PostDoctrnal Researcher, UCSD (CMI) Current: Metin Balaban, Yueyu Jiang, Uyen Mai, Maryam Rabiee, Nora Rachtman, Shahab Sarmashghi (co-supervisor), Chao Zhang	<b>2015 – 2019</b> <b>2015 – 2019</b> <b>2016 – now</b>
WORK EXPERIENCE	<i>IBM</i> , Vancouver, BC, Canada <i>IT Specialist</i>	<b>Sept. 2008 – Dec. 2010</b>

TEACHING:	<b>Course Instructor (University of California, San Diego):</b>	
	Graduate: Computational evolutionary biology	<b>2016 – 2020</b>
	Introduction to Computer Engineering	<b>2016 – 2020</b>
HIGHLIGHTS AND INVITED TALKS	See <a href="http://eceweb.ucsd.edu/~smirarab/presentations.html">http://eceweb.ucsd.edu/~smirarab/presentations.html</a> for a complete list	
	Bioinformatics Boot Camp for Ecology and Evolution, online	<b>2020</b>
	SysBioDiv and Zoological Society, Freiburg, Germany	<b>2020</b>
	QCB Colloquium, USC, Biological Sciences, Los Angeles, CA	<b>2019</b>
	Computational Genomics Summer Institute, Los Angeles, CA	<b>2017, 2018, 2019</b>
	Workshop on Microbiomics, Metagenomics, and Metabolomics, Buffalo, NY	<b>2019</b>
	Genome 10K & Vertebrate Genome Project, New York, NY	<b>2019</b>
	Avian Meetings, Beijing, China, San Diego, CA (with PAG)	<b>2016, 2018, 2019</b>
	Evolution meeting, Austin, TX, Portland, OR, Montpellier, France	<b>2016, 2017, 2018</b>
	ENABLE workshop, National Chung Hsing University, Taiwan	<b>2018</b>
	Institute for Pure & Applied Math, Workshops on MSA and HPC	<b>2015, 2018</b>
	ISMB, Invited Tutorial on comparative regulatory genomics, Chicago, IL	<b>2018</b>
	Simons Found., Workshop on Statistical Challenges in Microbiome, Boston, MA	<b>2017</b>
	University of Copenhagen, Seminar Series, Copenhagen, Denmark	<b>2017</b>
	Schloss Dagstuhl – Leibniz Center for Informatics, 16351, Dagstuhl, Germany	<b>2016</b>
	RECOMB, Highlights session, Warsaw, Poland	<b>2015</b>
	INFORMS, Big Biological Data, Philadelphia, PA	<b>2015</b>
	MolPhy-3, Moscow, Russia	<b>2012</b>
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	Leadership: Vertebrate Genome Project (VGP), Council member.	<b>2020</b>
	UCSD: Curriculum Development Committee. “Engineering in Public Health”.	<b>2020</b>
	Conference organization: (IEEE BIBM) (2019), REOMB (2020)	<b>2019-2020</b>
	Program Committee: ISBM, ECCB, RECOMB-CG	<b>2015, 2017–2020</b>
	Paper Review for journals in biology (e.g., Nature Ecology and Evolution), math (e.g., Journal of the American Statistical Association), and computer science (Journal of ACM). See <a href="https://publons.com/researcher/697671/siavash-mirarab">https://publons.com/researcher/697671/siavash-mirarab</a> for a list.	
	Grant Panels: NSF, DOE	<b>2018–2020</b>
PUBLICATIONS	* indicates equal contribution	
	1. Uyen Mai and <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> . Log Transformation Improves Dating of Phylogenies. <i>Molecular Biology and Evolution</i> , in press, 2020.	
	2. Chao Zhang, Celine Scornavacca, Erin Molloy, and <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> . ASTRAL-Pro: quartet-based species tree inference despite paralogy. <i>Molecular Biology and Evolution</i> , in press, 2020.	
	3. Kristine Bohmann, <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> , Vineet Bafna, and M. Thomas P. Gilbert. Beyond DNA barcoding: The unrealized potential of genome skim data in sample identification. <i>Molecular Ecology</i> , mec.15507, 2020.	
	4. Metin Balaban and <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> . Phylogenetic double placement of mixed samples. <i>Bioinformatics (ISMB Special issue)</i> , 36(Supplement_1):i335–i343, 2020.	
	5. Ekin Tilic, Erfan Sayyari, Josefin Stiller, <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> , and Greg W Rouse. More is needed: Thousands of loci are required to elucidate the relationships of the flowers of the sea’ (Sabellida, Annelida). <i>Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution</i> , 151:106892, 2020.	
	6. Francesco Asnicar, Andrew Maltez Thomas, Francesco Beghini, Claudia Mengoni, Serena Manara, Paolo Manghi, Qiyun Zhu, Mattia Bolzan, Fabio Cumbo, Uyen Mai, Jon G Sanders, Moreno Zolfo, Evguenia Kopylova, Edoardo Pasoli, Rob Knight, <u>Siavash Mirarab</u> , Curtis Huttenhower, and Nicola Segata. Precise phylogenetic analysis of microbial isolates and genomes from metagenomes using PhyloPhlAn 3.0. <i>Nature Communications</i> , 11(1):2500, 2020.	

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9. Maryam Rabiee and [Siavash Mirarab](#). INSTRAL: Discordance-Aware Phylogenetic Placement Using Quartet Scores. *Systematic Biology*, 69(2):384–391, 2020.
10. Maryam Rabiee and [Siavash Mirarab](#). Forcing external constraints on tree inference using AS-TRAL. *BMC Genomics*, 21(S2):218, 2020.
11. Qiyun Zhu\*, Uyen Mai\*, Wayne Pfeiffer, Stefan Janssen, Francesco Asnicar, Jon G. Sanders, Pedro Belda-Ferre, Gabriel A. Al-Ghalith, Evguenia Kopylova, Daniel McDonald, Tomasz Kosciolk, John B Yin, Shi Huang, Nimaichand Salam, Jian-yu Jiao, Zijun Wu, Zhen-jiang Z. Xu, Kalen Cantrell, Yimeng Yang, Erfan Sayyari, Maryam Rabiee, James T Morton, Sheila Podell, Dan Knights, Wen-jun Li, Curtis Huttenhower, Nicola Segata, Larry Smarr, [Siavash Mirarab](#), and Rob Knight. Phylogenomics of 10,575 genomes reveals evolutionary proximity between domains Bacteria and Archaea. *Nature Communications*, 10(1):5477, 2019.
12. James H Leebens-Mack\*, Michael S Barker\*, Eric J Carpenter\*, Michael K Deyholos\*, Matthew A Gitzendanner\*, Sean W Graham\*, Ivo Grosse\*, Zheng\* Li, Michael Melkonian\*, [Siavash Mirarab\\*](#), Martin Porsch\*, Marcel Quint\*, Stefan A Rensing\*, Douglas E Soltis\*, Pamela S Soltis\*, Stevenson\*, and the rest of One Thousand Plant Transcriptomes Initiative. One thousand plant transcriptomes and the phylogenomics of green plants. *Nature*, 574(7780):679–685, 2019.
13. Erfan Sayyari, Ban Kawas, and [Siavash Mirarab](#). TADA: phylogenetic augmentation of microbiome samples enhances phenotype classification. *Bioinformatics (ISMB special issue)*, 35(14):i31–i40, 2019.
14. Lei Chen, Qiang Qiu, Yu Jiang, Kun Wang, Zeshan Lin, Zhipeng Li, Faysal Bibi, Yongzhi Yang, Jinhuan Wang, Wenhui Nie, Weiting Su, Guichun Liu, Qiye Li, Weiwei Fu, Xiangyu Pan, Chang Liu, Jie Yang, Chenzhou Zhang, Yuan Yin, Yu Wang, Yue Zhao, Chen Zhang, Zhongkai Wang, Yanli Qin, Wei Liu, Bao Wang, Yandong Ren, Ru Zhang, Yan Zeng, Rute R. da Fonseca, Bin Wei, Ran Li, Wenting Wan, Ruoping Zhao, Wenbo Zhu, Yutao Wang, Shengchang Duan, Yun Gao, Yong E. Zhang, Chunyan Chen, Christina Hvilsom, Clinton W. Epps, Leona G. Chemnick, Yang Dong, [Siavash Mirarab](#), Hans Redlef Siegismund, Oliver A. Ryder, M. Thomas P. Gilbert, Harris A. Lewin, Guojie Zhang, Rasmus Heller, and Wen Wang. Large-scale ruminant genome sequencing provides insights into their evolution and distinct traits. *Science*, 364(6446):eaav6202, 2019.
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- Lisa Pokorny, Carsten Rahbek, Brody Sandel, Stephen A. Smith, Alexandros Stamatakis, Rutger A. Vos, Tandy Warnow, and William J. Baker. A roadmap for global synthesis of the plant tree of life. *American Journal of Botany*, 105(3):614–622, 2018.
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  41. James E Tarver, Mario dos Reis, [Siavash Mirarab](#), Raymond J Moran, Sean Parker, Joseph E. O’Reilly, Benjamin L King, Mary J. O’Connell, Robert J Asher, Tandy Warnow, Kevin J Peterson, Philip C.J. Donoghue, and Davide Pisani. The Interrelationships of Placental Mammals and the Limits of Phylogenetic Inference. *Genome Biology and Evolution*, 8(2):330–344, 2016.
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SELECTED  
SOFTWARE  
(PUBLICLY  
AVAILABLE)

**ASTRAL** (<https://github.com/smirarab/ASTRAL>)

Coalescent-based species tree estimation from gene trees

**PASTA** (<https://github.com/smirarab/pasta>)

Multiple sequence alignment of ultra-large datasets (up to a million sequences)

**SEPP,TIPP,UPP** (<https://github.com/smirarab/sepp>)

Phylogenetic placement and taxonomic identification of metagenomic reads

**TreeShrink** (<https://github.com/uym2/TreeShrink>)

Finding and removing spuriously long branches

**DiscoVista** (<https://github.com/esayyari/DiscoVista>)

Visualizing phylogenetic discordances

**FAVITES** (<https://github.com/niemasd/FAVITES>)

Simulating HIV evolution

**APPLES** (<https://github.com/balabanmetin/apples>)

Phylogenetic placement using distances

**TreeCluster** (<https://github.com/niemasd/TreeCluster>)

Clustering leaves of a phylogeny in linear time with guarantees

See <http://ecweb.ucsd.edu/~smirarab/software.html> for more.