

## EDUCATION

### Macquarie University, Australia

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Mar. 2021 – Mar. 2024

### Macquarie University, Australia

M.Res. in Computer Science, Grade: 93/100

Jan. 2019 – Dec. 2019

### Southwest University, China

B.E. in Computer Science, GPA: 3.71/4.00

Sep. 2014 – Jun. 2018

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

• Graph Mining      • Graph Neural Networks      • Deep Learning      • Anomaly Detection      • Social Computing

## RESEARCH PROJECT

### Early Prediction in Large-scale Time-variant Information Networks

Jan. 2020 – present

*Research Assistant* - advised by Dr. Jia Wu, Research Director, AI-enabled Processes Research Centre, Macquarie University

- Project supported by the Australian Research Council (ARC)'s Discovery Early Career Research Award (DECRA, DE200100964) (\$427,068)
- Working on **developing novel and efficient technologies to detect anomalies such as abnormal items, relationships, and groups in information networks**, which will help to safeguard Australian business, industry, and society from cyberfraud, online rumour-mongering, and financial loss.

### Trust Evaluation and Spam Detection on Online Social Networks

Jan. 2019 – Dec. 2021

*Research Assistant* - advised by Dr. Jia Wu, Research Director, AI-enabled Processes Research Centre, Macquarie University, and Dr. Surya Nepal, Senior Principal Research Scientist, & Group Leader, Distributed Systems Security, CSIRO's Data61

- Project supported by Macquarie University Co-funding with CSIRO's Data61 (\$592,000)
- Working on **the analysis of complex interactions among people on dynamic social networks**, supporting the trust evaluation of information and people available on online social networks, facing the challenges in terms of accuracy, relevancy, and consistency.

### Network-Oriented Data Analysis, Mining and Optimization

Apr. 2016 – Jun. 2018

*Research Assistant* - advised by Prof. Chao Gao, Northwestern Polytechnical University

- Project supported by Fundamental Research Funds for the Central Universities (No. XDJK2016A008) (¥200,000)
- Working on **designing advanced algorithms applied to network community detection and network diffusion analysis**.

## RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

### Graph-based Anomaly Detection in E-commerce Scenarios

Jun. 2020 – Dec. 2020

*Research Intern at Alibaba Group* - advised by Dr. Zhao Li, Director, Web Data Mining Lab at Alibaba-Zhejiang University Joint Institute of Frontier Technologies

- Working on **designing an efficient anomaly detection platform to discover groups of fraudsters conducting fraud events (e.g., insurance fraud and fraudulent transactions) in e-commerce scenarios**, which will help regulators take measures for targeted control and safeguard e-commerce industry from financial loss caused by fraud.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- [1] **F. Liu**, Z. L. B. W. J. Wu, J. Yang, J. Huang, Y. Zhang, W. Wang, S. Xue, S. Nepal, and Q. Z. Sheng, “eRiskCom: An e-commerce risky community detection platform”, *The VLDB Journal* (**CORE<sup>1</sup> A\***), pp. 1–17, 2022. DOI: 10.1007/s00778-021-00723-z.
- [2] X. Su, S. Xue, **F. Liu**, J. Wu, J. Yang, C. Zhou, W. Hu, C. Paris, S. Nepal, D. Jin, Q. Z. Sheng, and P. S. Yu, “A comprehensive survey on community detection with deep learning”, *IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems* (**CORE A\***), early access, 2022. DOI: 10.1109/TNNLS.2021.3137396.
- [3] **F. Liu**, S. Xue, J. Wu, C. Zhou, W. Hu, C. Paris, S. Nepal, J. Yang, and P. S. Yu, “Deep learning for community detection: Progress, challenges and opportunities”, in *the 29th International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence, (IJCAI)* (**CORE A\*, 100+ Citations, Most Influential IJCAI Paper, Ranked 4th**), 2020, pp. 4981–4987. DOI: 10.24963/ijcai.2020/693.
- [4] **F. Liu**, J. Wu, S. Xue, C. Zhou, J. Yang, and Q. Sheng, “Detecting the evolving community structure in dynamic social networks”, *World Wide Web* (**CORE A**), vol. 23, no. 2, pp. 715–733, 2020. DOI: 10.1007/s11280-019-00710-z.
- [5] S. Liu, S. Xue, **F. Liu**, J. Cheng, X. Li, C. Kong, and J. Wu, “Microcluster-based incremental ensemble learning for noisy, nonstationary data streams”, *Complexity* (**Impact Factor=2.833**), vol. 2020, Art. no. 6147378, 2020. DOI: 10.1155/2020/6147378.
- [6] **F. Liu**, J. Wu, C. Zhou, and J. Yang, “Evolutionary community detection in dynamic social networks”, in *2019 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN)* (**CORE2020 A**), 2019, pp. 1–7. DOI: 10.1109/IJCNN.2019.8852006.
- [7] Z. Su, **F. Liu**, C. Gao, S. Gao, and X. Li, “Inferring infection rate based on observations in complex networks”, *Chaos, Solitons & Fractals* (**Impact Factor=5.944**), vol. 107, pp. 170–176, 2018. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chaos.2017.12.029>.
- [8] **F. Liu**, Z. Chen, Y. Cui, C. Liu, X. Li, and C. Gao, “A hybrid evolutionary algorithm for community detection”, in *the 16th International Conference on Web Intelligence (WI)*, 2017, pp. 469–475. DOI: 10.1145/3106426.3106477.
- [9] **F. Liu**, J. Zhong, C. Liu, C. Gao, and X. Li, “A novel strategy of initializing the population size for ant colony optimization algorithms in tsp”, in *the 13th International Conference on Natural Computation, Fuzzy Systems and Knowledge Discovery (ICNC-FSKD)*, 2017, pp. 249–253. DOI: 10.1109/FSKD.2017.8393166.
- [10] Z. Chen, **F. Liu**, C. Gao, X. Li, and Z. Zhang, “An enhanced particle swarm optimization based on Physarum model for community detection”, in *the 8th International Conference on Swarm Intelligence (ICSI)*, 2017, pp. 99–108. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-319-61833-3\_11.
- [11] M. Liang, **F. Liu**, C. Gao, and Z. Zhang, “Robustness analysis of the complex network”, in *IEEE 6th Data Driven Control and Learning Systems Conference (DDCLS)*, 2017, pp. 638–643. DOI: 10.1109/DDCLS.2017.8068147.

## POPULAR REPOSITORY

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- **Awesome-Deep-Community-Detection** (150+ Stars & 50+ Forks)  
A collection of papers, datasets, and implementations on deep learning for community detection

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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| • International Macquarie University Research Excellence Scholarship, Macquarie University   | 2019–2024             |
| • Higher Degree Research Rising Star, School of Computing, Macquarie University              | May 2022              |
| • Most Influential IJCAI Paper ( <i>Ranked 4th</i> among IJCAI-2020 papers)                  | Feb. 2022             |
| • Executive Dean’s Commendation for Academic Excellence, Macquarie University                | Apr. 2020             |
| • <u>Student Travel Award of IJCNN</u>   | Jul. 2019             |
| • First Prize of Excellent Undergraduate Scholarship, Southwest University ( <i>Top 3%</i> ) | Dec. 2016 & Dec. 2017 |

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<sup>1</sup>The conference and journal rankings are maintained by the Computing Research and Education Association of Australasia (**CORE**), which assesses major conferences and journals in the computing disciplines.