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#### **EDUCATION**

# Tokyo Institute of Technology

October 2016 - Present

PhD candidate

*Tokyo* 

Advisor: Tsuyoshi Murata

PhD in Computer Science (Research topic: Active exploration on networks)

# University of Colombo - School of Computing

January 2013 - January 2015

Master of Computer Science

Colombo, Sri Lanka

Thesis: "Machine Learning for Determining the Newsworthiness of Microblogs"

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

#### Tokyo Institute of Technology

January 2017 - Present

*Tokyo* 

- · Member of CREST Deep project, funded by Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST).
- · Research on compressing deep neural networks.
- · Study of adversarial attacks on compressed and compact deep neural networks.

# Preferred Networks Inc.

August 2018 - Present

Research Intern

Tokyo

· Member of Chainer-Chemistry team.

#### LIRNEasia

April 2014 - March 2016 Colombo, Sri Lanka

Researcher

- · As a member of the Big Data for Development (BD4D) project involved in analysing a large dataset of anonymized call detail records (CDR) obtained from multiple mobile operators in Sri Lanka.
- · Performed analysis on the social graph of millions of subscribers.

#### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Kaushalya Madhawa and Tsuyoshi Murata, "Exploring Partially Observed Networks with Nonparametric Bandits", Complex Networks and Their Applications VII, Cambridge, UK, 2018
- Kaushalya Madhawa, Choong Jun Jin, Arie Wahyu Wijayanto, and Tsuyoshi Murata, "Robustness of Compressed Convolutional Neural Networks", Workshop on Big Data for CyberSecurity (BigCyber-2018), IEEE International Conference on Big Data, Seattle, Washington, 2018
- P.K.K.Madhawa and A.S. Athukorale, "A Robust Algorithm for Determining the Newsworthiness of Microblogs", International Conference on Advances in ICT for Emerging Regions (ICTer), Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2015
- P.K.K. Madhawa, U.R.V. Sandaruwan, M.S. Jeevananda, P.M.B.C. Malmi and K. Wimalawarne, "HYDRA: A machine learning toolkit for massively parallel systems", CS & ES Research Conference, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 2011.

# AWARDS AND HONORS

- Japanese Government Scholarship (MEXT) for doctoral studies, 2016-2019.
- Community teaching assistant of "Heterogeneous Parallel Programming" course on Coursera, 2013.
- 50th in IEEEXtreme 2009 programming competition.
- Bronze medal, Sri Lankan Physics Olympiad 2006.
- National rank: 28, Advanced Level (Physical Sciences).

# TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Programming LanguagesPython, Java, C/C++, RDeep Learning frameworksChainer, PyTorch, Caffe, TensorflowDistributed computingApache Hadoop, Apache Pig, Apache Giraph, Apache Hive