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POSITION HELD

Zhejiang University

Jul. 2016 - present

Assistant Professor

College of Computer Science

EDUCATION

Tsinghua University

Aug. 2011 - Jul. 2016

Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science and Technology

Advisor: Juanzi Li and Jie Tang

Cornell University

Aug. 2012 - Feb. 2013

Visiting Student, Computer Science

Advisor: John Hopcroft

University of Leuven

Aug. 2013 - Nov. 2013

Visiting Student, Computer Science

Advisor: Marie-Francine Moens and Walter Luyten

Wuhan University

Aug. 2007 - Jul. 2011

Bachelor, Software Engineering

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social network analysis: information diffusion modeling, social tie mining, and user profiling. Machine learning methodologies: probabilistic graphical models.

PUBLICATIONS

- · Yang Yang, Jia Jia, Boya Wu, and Jie Tang. Social Role-Aware Emotion Contagion in Image Social Networks. In Proceedings of the 30th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'16, CCF A).
- · Yang Yang, Yizhou Sun, Jie Tang, Bo Ma, and Juanzi Li. Entity Matching across Heterogeneous Sources. In Proceedings of the 21st ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'15, CCF A).
- · Yang Yang, Jie Tang, Cane Wing-Ki Leung, Yizhou Sun, Qicong Chen, Juanzi Li, and Qiang Yang. RAIN: Social Role-Aware Information Diffusion. In Proceedings of the 29th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'15, CCF A).
- · Yang Yang and Jie Tang. Beyond Query: Interactive User Intention Understanding. In Proceedings of the 15th International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM'15, acceptance rate=8%, CCF B).

- · Boya Wu, Jia Jia, **Yang Yang**, Peijun Zhao, and Jie Tang. Understanding the Emotions Behind Social Images: Inferring with User Demographics. In Proceedings of 2015 IEEE International Conference on Multimedia and Expo (ICME'15, CCF B).
- Yang Yang, Jia Jia, Shumei Zhang, Boya Wu, Qicong Chen, Juanzi Li, Chunxiao Xing, and Jie Tang. How Do Your Friends on Social Media Disclose Your Emotions? In Proceedings of the 28th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'14, CCF A).
- · Yang Yang, Walter Luyten, Lu Liu, Marie-Francine Moens, Jie Tang, and Juanzi Li. Forecasting Potential Diabetes Complications. In Proceedings of the 28th AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI'14, CCF A).
- · Yuxiao Dong, Yang Yang, Jie Tang, Yang Yang, and Nitesh V. Chawla. Inferring User Demographics and Social Strategies in Mobile Social Networks. In Proceedings of the 20th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'14, CCF A).
- · Yang Yang, Jianfei Wang, Yutao Zhang, Wei Chen, Jing Zhang, Honglei Zhuang, Zhilin Yang, Bo Ma, Zhanpeng Fang, Sen Wu, Xiaoxiao Li, Debing Liu, and Jie Tang. SAE: Social Analytic Engine for Dynamic Networks, In Proceedings of the 19th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'13, demo paper).
- · Yang Yang, Jie Tang, Jacklyne Keomany, Yanting Zhao, Ying Ding, Juanzi Li, and Liangwei Wang. Mining Competitive Relationships by Learning across Heterogeneous Networks, In Proceedings of the 21st Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM'12, acceptance rate=13.4%, CCF B).
- Jie Tang, Bo Wang, Yang Yang, Po Hu, Yanting Zhao, Xinyu Yan, Bo Gao, Minlie Huang, Peng Xu, Weichang Li, and Adam K. Usadi. PatentMiner: Topic-driven Patent Analysis and Mining, In Proceedings of the 17th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining (KDD'12, CCF A).
- · Tieyun Qian, Yang Yang, and Shuo Wang. Refining Graph Partitioning for Social Network Clustering, In Proceedings of the 17th International Conference on Web Information System Engineering (WISE'10).

SELECTED ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

Excellent Graduate of Tsinghua University with Ph.D. degree, 2016

Excellent Graduate of Beijing City with Ph.D. degree, 2016

National Scholarship of China, 2015.

KDD Student Travel Award, 2015.

ICDM Student Travel Award, 2015.

National Scholarship of China, 2014.

AAAI Student Travel Award, 2014.

Alumnus Scholarship of Tsinghua University, 2013.

Best graduation thesis of Wuhan University, 2011.

ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest, Asia Regional, 2 gold medals, 2009.

Champion of Citi Financial IT Application Competition, 2009.

Ten Outstanding Young People of Wuhan University, 2009.

Ten Great Students of Luo-jia Mountain, 2009.

EXPERIENCES

Knowledge Engineering Group, Tsinghua University

Aug. 2011 - Present

Research Assistant

- · Studying information diffusion in online social networks, especially social role-aware information diffusion (AAAI'15), and users' emotional status diffusion (AAAI'14), and the interplay between information diffusion and social ties (CIKM'12).
- · Advisor: Professor Jie Tang and Juanzi Li

Language Intelligence and Ininformation Retrieval, KU Leuven Aug. 2013 - Nov. 2013 Research Intern

- · Working on diabetes complication prediction by sparse factor graph models (AAAI'14).
- · Advisor: Professor Marie-Francine Mones and Walter Luyten

Dept. of Computer Science, Cornell University

Aug. 2012 - Feb. 2013

Research Intern

- · Working on social network clustering by graph spectral theorem
- · Advisor: Professor John Hopcroft

ExxonMobil Research and Engineering

Jul. 2011 - Aug. 2011, Jul. 2012 - Aug. 2012

Research Intern

- · Working on building a patent analytic and search engine (online system: pminer.org, KDD'12)
- · Working on mining competitive relationship in heterogeneous networks (CIKM'12)
- · Manager: Peng Xu

Application Server Developer Experience, Microsoft Corporation Jul. 2010 - Aug. 2010 Software Engineer Intern

- · Developing automatic test units for Visual Studio.
- · Manager: Leo Shum

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Session chair of KDD'15.

Program committee member of WSDM'16, CIKM'16, and ASONAM'15.

Volunteer of KDD'12, IJCAI'13, ICDM'15, and KDD'15.