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#### RESEARCH INTEREST

Graph Neural Networks, Knowledge Graphs, NLP, Social Media Data mining, Multimodal Data Fusion

#### **EDUCATION**

University of California, Davis

Sep. 2021 - Present

Ph.D in Computer Science

Advisor: Prof. Zubair Shafiq, Magdalena Wojcieszak

Tunghai University, Taichung, Taiwan

Sep. 2019 – June 2021

M.Sc. in Computer Science

GPA: 3.98/4.30

Advisor: Prof. Chu-Hsing Lin

The University of California San Diego, CA, United States

Sep. 2018 - Present

MicroMasters in Algorithms and Data Structures

Course: Data Structures Fundamentals, Algorithmic Design and Techniques, Graph Algorithms

Chung Yuan Christian University, Taoyuan, Taiwan

June 2014 - June 2017

B.A., in Finance

GPA: 3.88 / 4.0

Advisor: Prof. Yi-Pei Chen

Academic Excellence Award, Excellent Professional Subjects Award

Middle Tennessee State University, TN, United States

Sep. 2015 - May 2016

International Exchange Program

GPA: 3.63 / 4.0

#### **JOURNAL PAPERS**

Entropy-Based Time Window Features Extraction for Machine Learning to Predict Acute Kidney Injury in ICU

Chun-Te Huang, **Rong-Ching Chang**, Yi-Lu Tsai, Kai-Chih Pai, Tsai-Jung Wang, Chia-Tien Hsu, Cheng-Hsu Chen, Chien-Chung Huang, Min-Shian Wang, Lun-Chi Chen, Ruey-Kai Sheu, Chieh-Liang Wu, Chun-Ming Lai

Applied Sciences. 2021; 11(14):6364. https://doi.org/10.3390/app11146364

#### **CONFERENCE PAPERS**

<u>Dataset of Propaganda Techniques of the State-Sponsored Information Operation of the People's</u> Republic of China

**Rong-Ching Chang**, Chun-Ming Lai, Kai-Lai Chang, Chu-Hsing Lin Misinformation and Misbehavior Mining on the Web with International Conference on Knowledge Discovery & Data Mining (KDD) 2021

## Online Sentiment And Post Reactions On Facebook: Leading Indicator For State-Level Covid-19 **Confirmed Cases**

Rong-Ching Chang, Chun-Ming Lai, Chu-Hsing Lin, Kai-Chih Pai AI for Public Health workshop at the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2021

## Online Sentiment on Facebook: a Leading Indicator for State-Level Covid-19 Confirm Cases

Rong-Ching Chang, Chu-Hsing Lin, Chun-Ming Lai, Kai-Chih Pai International Conference On Information Technologies and Practices, 2021

## Detecting Propaganda on the Sentence Level during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Rong-Ching Chang, Chu-Hsing Lin

Cryptology and Information Security Conference (CISC), 2020.

## Pandemic Response and Crisis Informatics: An Imperative for Public Health Messaging

Chun-Ming Lai, Yi-Chen Liu, Rong-Ching Chang, Jon W. Chapman and Chu-Hsing Lin International Computer Symposium (ICS), 2020.

## Leveraging Top Participants Networks Topology to Identify Suspiciously Manipulated Posts

Chun-Ming Lai, Huan-Chieh Tseng, Rong-Ching Chang, Tzer-Shyong Chen, Kai-Chih Pai National Conference on Science and Technology of National Defense. 2020.

### An Attribute-based Encryption for Cloud Medical Data Sharing and Its Implementation

Chu-Hsing Lin, Chu-I Wu, Chia-Yuan Cheng, Rong-Ching Chang The Symposium on Digital Life Technologies 2020 (DLT 2020).

#### Unconnected searchable encryption and implementation for cloud medical record services

適合於雲端病歷服務的無連結性可搜尋加密與實作

Chu-Hsing Lin, Yuan-Xiang Chi, Xuan-Jie Wang, Rong-Ching Chang The Symposium on Digital Life Technologies 2020 (DLT 2020).

#### **TALKS**

Is a Twitter user's location correlated with their opinion on #COVID-19?

Rong-Ching Chang, Chun-Ming Lai

PyData Taipei. 2020.

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## **Information Security Lab, Tunghai University**

## AI + HI smart critical care diagnosis and treatment system and a new model of interhospital practice Dec. 2020 - June 2021

Advisor: Prof. Chun-Ming Lai

Funder: The Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

NO: MOST 109-2321-B-075A-001 • Conducting research publications

# Defense Methods against Co-Resident Attack of Cloud Security and Proprietary Mechanisms in Medical Applications

Advisor: Prof. Chu-Hsing Lin Sep. 2019 - June 2021

Funder: The Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

NO: MOST107-2221-E-029-005-MY3.

• Assisting with several research publications

#### Suspicious Account Operation and Applied Tactics in National Events on Social Media

Advisors: Prof. Chu-Hsing Lin, Chun-Ming Lai

Nov. 2020 – Dec. 2020

• Writing research proposal and designing research pipeline

### Smart Aquatic Plant: Giving the aquatic plant what it needs

Advisors: Prof. Chao-Tung Yang

Nov. 2020 – Jan. 2021

• Designing and making aquatic plant monitoring system using Arduino

## **Propaganda Detection during COVID-19**

Advisor: Prof. Chu-Hsing Lin

May. 2020 – Aug. 2020

- Used BERT on transfer learning task in fast and first level propaganda detection
- The result showed notable differences both in account behavior and their texted content.

## Leveraging Participant Network Topology to Identify Suspiciously Manipulated Posts

Advisor: Prof. S. Felix Wu, Chun-Ming Lai, Kai-Chih Pai

Sep. 2019 – Sep. 2020

• Identifying suspicious accounts and posts using domain and first N participants

#### **Chung Yuan Christian University**

## The Effects of Family-Owned Business and the Initial Public Offerings System on Market Liquidity

Advisor: Prof. Yi-Pei Chen

July 2015 - Feb 2016

Funder: The Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan

NO: 104CFD0500082

• Our models showed IPO pricing has a positive effect on market liquidity in new IPO system.

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Industrial Technology Research Institute**

Hsinchu, Taiwan

AI Research Intern, Computational Intelligence Technology

Jan. 2020 – Aug. 2020

- Researched and tested papers focused on AutoML frameworks, automatic forecasting of time series, global supply chain management, inventory management
- Tested AutoML packages including AutoKeras, Hyperas with docker, GPU, Tensorflow and Pytorch on various tasks.

Factor Bike
Full Stack Web Developer Intern

Taichung, Taiwan Jan. 2019 – Apr. 2019

• Developed Shopify online store

**J.P. Instruments**CA, United States

UX/UI Intern July 2017 – Dec. 2017

• Developed app design

#### **Doctor Diet Inc.**

Finance Manager Intern

Nashville, TN, United States May 2016 – Sep. 2016

Developed semi-automated system for daily sales statements, cash flow tracking for 14 clinics

#### REVIEWER FOR JOURNALS & CONFERENCES

• Scientific Report, Nature

#### CERTIFICATE

- Microsoft Certified: Azure AI Fundamentals
- Nvidia: Combining Data Types through an Image Captioning Project

#### **HONORS & AWARDS**

- National Planning College Student Innovation Contest Finalist Award, Taiwan Business Strategy Association
- Times Young Creative Finalist Award (top 1% from thousands of competitors from China and Taiwan)

#### LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

**President**, Photography Club, Chung Yuan Christian University, Taoyuan, Taiwan May 2014 – May 2015

Doubled membership to 200; Recognized with award for Excellent Art Club; best achievement since club establishment.

#### **SKILLS**

• Computer

SQL, Git, Docker, REST API, HTML, R, C, Java, Bash, AWS, Arduino, Jupyter, Python: sklearn, fast.ai, Pandas, TensorFlow, Keras, Pytorch, DGL, Hugging Face, Networkx

• Language

English, Mandarin

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

Python for Financial Analysis and Algorithmic Trading, Intro to Fintech, Knowledge Graphs, Probabilistic Graphical Models: Representation, Graph Algorithms in Genome Sequencing, Dynamic Programming: Applications in Machine Learning and Genomics, NP-Complete Problems, String Processing and Pattern Matching Algorithms