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Employment History

2020–present **Assistant Professor**, Mississippi State University.

2014–2020 **Research Assistant**, Virginia Tech.

Education

2014–2020 **PhD, Computer Science**, Virginia Tech, Falls Church, Virginia.

2010–2013 **MS, Software Engineering**, Peking University, China.

2005–2009 **BE, Software Engineering**, Huazhong Univ. of Sci. & Tech., China.

2007–2009 **BA, Japanese Language**, Huazhong Univ. of Sci. & Tech., China.

Awards, Funding & Patent

Award Best Paper Award at ACM SIGSPATIAL 2020

Award Best Paper Award at GISTAM 2015

U.S. Patent High-throughput method to predict bulk properties of inorganic materials

Award Outstanding Contribution Award, 2016, Toyota Research Institute, North America (TRI-NA)

Review Service

ICML International Conference on Machine Learning, 2021

ICLR International Conference on Learning Representations, 2022

NeurIPS Neural Information Processing System, 2019, 2020, 2021

AAAI AAAI conference on Artificial Intelligence, 2020, 2021, 2022

KDD ACM SIG on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining, 2020

TKDE IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 2019, 2020

TKDD ACM Transactions on Knowledge Discovery from Data, 2021

Neurocomputing Neurocomputing by Elsevier, 2019, 2020, 2021

Sci. Reports Scientific Reports by Nature, 2021

Sensors MDPI Sensors 2021

NSF Panel Review

Publications

- [1] Zhiqian Chen, Fanglan Chen, Lei Zhang, Taoran Ji, Kaiqun Fu, Liang Zhao, Feng Chen, Lingfei Wu, Charu Aggarwal, and Chang-Tien Lu. Bridging the gap between spatial and spectral domains: A united framework for graph neural networks. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2107.10234*, 2021.
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