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Education

2016.9-Present College of Information and Electrical Engineering, China Agricultural University (National 985 Project University)

Master of Engineering (MEng), Computer Science

- ♦ Research area: Machine Learning applications to Steganalysis, Deep Learning and Multimedia Processing
- ♦ Advisor: Yiming Xue Second Advisor: Ping Zhong
- ♦ GPA: 3.11/4.0 (81/100)

2012.9-2016.6 College of Information and Electrical Engineering, China Agricultural University

Bachelor of Engineering (BEng), Electronic and Information Engineering

♦ GPA: 3.13/4.0 (82/100)

Honors and Awards

- → The Best 100 Graduation Project of China Agricultural University in 2016 (June, 2016)
- → The Third Prize in Beijing Contest District in National Undergraduate Electronics Design Contest (October, 2015)

Journal Papers

- ♦ **Mengdi Li**, Kai Mu, Ping Zhong, Juan Wen, Yiming Xue. "Generating Steganographic Image Description by Dynamic Synonym Substitution" *Signal Processing* (Under Review, SCI journal, <u>Full Text PDF</u>)
- ❖ Ping Zhong, Mengdi Li, Kai Mu, Juan Wen, Yiming Xue. "Image Steganalysis in High-Dimensional Feature Spaces with Proximal Support Vector Machine" *International Journal of Digital Crime and Forensics* (Published, EI journal, http://doi.org/10.4018/IJDCF.2019010106, Full Text PDF)
- → Juan Wen, Xuejing Zhou, Mengdi Li, Ping Zhong. "A Novel Natural Language Steganographic Framework Based on Image Description Neural Network" Journal of Visual Communication and Image Representation (Revision Submitted to Journal, SCI journal)

Research/Project

1. Research: a method of generating steganographic image description automatically by deep neural networks

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- ♦ Studied the feasibility of hiding information during the process of generating image description.
- ♦ Designed and built a steganographic image description model using Tensorflow.
- ♦ Designed a novel embedding algorithm, which **gained a 20% increase in security** against the state-of-the-art detection algorithm, by preserving the statistical characteristics of word frequency.
- ♦ Evaluated our method in security and capacity
- **♦** Finished a research paper.

- 2. Research: a faster machine learning based steganalysis algorithm in high-dimensional feature spaces Supported by **National Natural Science Foundation of China (Grant No. U1536121)**June 2017 September 2017 (4 months)
 - ♦ Compared the performance of some existing classification algorithms including PSVM, FLD, ridge regression and other variants in detection accuracy and efficiency for detecting images carrying secret data.
 - ♦ Participated in the design of our method PSVM-ELM.
 - ♦ Evaluated our method by comparing it with FLD, ridge regression and PSVM in detection accuracy and efficiency.
 - ♦ Experimental results show that the detection accuracy of our method is increased by about 2% for the spatial domain steganographic schemes and its computational time is apparently less (6~10 times) than that of the FLD and ridge regression for large feature sets.
- 3. Project: building an Android app that can embed secret information into real-time video June 2016 January 2017 (8 months)
 - ♦ Acted as **the primary developer responsible for** this project.
 - ♦ Designed the software framework: video data is captured by camera and transferred to a native FFmpeg(x264) library, in which data is compressed into H.264 format.
 - ♦ Designed and implemented a real-time embedding algorithm for streaming video.
 - ❖ To the best of our knowledge, this is **the first** tool to embed information into a real-time video. It is **much securer** than traditional means of hiding secret data in a stored video file.

Conferences

- → Took part in The 15th International Workshop on Digital Forensics and Watermarking held by Institute of Information Engineering, Chinese Academy of Sciences (September, 2016)
- Took part in The 10th China Information Hiding Workshop held by South China University of Technology (March, 2018)

Skills

Knowledge of:

Python • C/C++ • Matlab • Unix/Linux • Vim • LaTeX • Machine Learning (CNN, LSTM, SVM,

ELM) • TensorFlow • Android (Java, Native Development) • Video Codec(H.264, FFmpeg&x264)

Exposure to:

Git • SVN • Shell • Web Development(Javascript, HTML, CSS) • Verilog

Languages

Chinese (Native)

English (IELTS: Listening-7, Reading-8, Speaking-5.5, Writing-5.5, OVERALL-6.5)