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Nationality: Malaysian

Language: English (Upper intermediate), Chinese (Native), Malay (Basic)

Education

2014 - 2018 | **Ph.D.**, Department of Geography, National Taiwan University.

Thesis: The scaling properties of point clustering phenomena

Advisor: Prof. Tzai-Hung Wen

2011 - 2013 | M.Sc., Department of Geography, National Taiwan University.

Thesis: Geographically Modified PageRank Algorithm: Measuring the importance of nodes

in a geospatial network.

Advisor: Prof. Tzai-Hung Wen

2007 - 2011 | **B.Sc.**, Department of Geography, National Taiwan University.

Thesis: The spatial relationship between urbanization factors, environmental quality and

health quality.

Advisor: Prof. Mei-Hui Li

Awards and Scholarships

2018	Dean's Award(Ph.D.) - College of Science, N	ational Taiwan University, Taiwan.

2017 Young Scientist Award - Tsukuba Global Science Week, University of Tsukuba, Japan.

2017 **Excellent Student Poster Award -** Annual Meeting of the Taiwan Society for Risk Analysis, Taiwan.

2012, **Scholarship** for Outstanding Overseas Chinese Graduate Student - Ministry Of Education, Taiwan.

2015-17

2010 College Student Research **Scholarship**, National Science Council, Taiwan.

Computer Skills

Programming Python, R, Netlogo, Java, Javascript,

Processing, Julia, Matlab

GIS ArcGIS, QGIS

Cartography Illustrator, Inkscape, web-mapping

Database PostgreSQL, SQLite

Familiar OS Linux, Windows

Research Interests

- Geocomputation
- Network Analysis
- Space-time Analysis
- Human Movement
- Scaling
- Spatial Visualization

Research Foci



Publication / current work

In Refereed Journal / Book

Geocomputation, Human Movement & Network Analysis

• Huang, C. Y., Chin, W. C. B.*, Wen, T. H., Fu, Y. H., Tsai, Y. S. (2019). EpiRank: Modeling Bidirectional Disease Spread in Asymmetric Commuting Networks. *Scientific Reports* 9: 5415. (IF:4.122, Q1 in Multidisciplinary Sciences)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-019-41719-8

• Wen, T. H.*, **Chin, W. C. B.**, & Lai, P. C. (2017). Understanding the topological characteristics and flow complexity of urban traffic congestion. *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications* 473: 166-177. (IF:2.132, Q2 in Physics, Multidisciplinary)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physa.2017.01.035

• Lin, M. H., Kuo, R. N., **Chin, W. C. B.**, & Wen, T. H.* (2016). Profiling the patient flow for seeking healthcare in Taiwan: using gravity modeling to investigate the influences of travel distance and healthcare resources. *Taiwan Journal of Public Health* 35(2): 136-151. (TSSCI, full text in chinese, with english abstract)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.6288/TJPH201635104086

Wen, T. H.*, Chin, W. C. B., & Lai, P. C. (2016). Link structure analysis of urban street networks for delineating traffic impact areas. In M. Nemiche, M. Essaaidi (eds.), Advances in Complex Societal, Environmental and Engineered Systems, Nonlinear Systems and Complexity 18. Part 2: 203-220. Springer: Switzerland. ISBN: 978-3-319-46164-9.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-46164-9_10

• Chin, W. C. B., & Wen, T. H.* (2015). Geographically modified PageRank algorithms: Identifying the spatial concentration of human movement in a geospatial network. *PLoS ONE* 10(10): e0139509. (IF:2.766, Q1 in Multidisciplinary Sciences)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0139509

• Wen, T. H.*, & Chin, W. C. B. (2015). Incorporation of spatial interactions in location networks to identify critical geo-referenced routes for assessing disease control measures on a large-scale campus. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* 12(4): 4170-4184. (IF:2.145, Q2 in Environmental Sciences)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph120404170

Geocomputation & Space-Time Analysis

• Chin, W. C. B., Wen, T. H.*, Sabel, C. E., & Wang, I. H. (2017). A geo-computational algorithm for exploring the structure of diffusion progression in time and space. *Scientific Reports* 7: 12565. (IF:4.122, Q1 in Multidisciplinary Sciences)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-017-12852-z

• Wen, T. H.*, Tsai, C. T., & Chin, W. C. B. (2016). Evaluating the role of disease importation in the spatiotemporal transmission of indigenous dengue outbreak. *Applied Geography* 76: 137-146. (IF:3.117, Q1 in Geography)

DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apgeog.2016.09.020

• Lee, J.*, Lay, J. G., Chin, W. C. B., Chi, Y. L., & Hsueh, Y. H. (2014). An experiment to model spatial diffusion process with nearest neighbor analysis and regression estimation. *International Journal of Applied Geospatial Research* 5(1): 1-15.

DOI: https://doi.org/10.4018/ijagr.2014010101

Submitted / In Preparation

Geocomputation, Human Movement & Network Analysis

• Huang, C. Y.*, **Chin, W. C. B.**, Fu, Y. H., Tsai, Y. S. Beyond bond links in complex networks: Local bridges, global bridges and silk links. *Physica A: Statistical Mechanics and its Applications*. (Accepted *April 5 2019*)

• Chin, W. C. B., Wen, T. H.* The effects of point clustering properties on spatial scaling patterns. (In preparation)

Conference Presentation

- 2018 Delineating communities of cities in space and times, in **18th Chinese Cartography Academic Conference**, Taipei, Taiwan. 20 October 2018.
- 2017 Lifestyle of a city: An urban life footprint analysis using Twitter data in Tokyo, in TGSW 2017 1st CiC Student Workshop, Tsukuba, Japan. 27 September 2017. Young Scientist Award
- 2017 Exploring space-time diffusion process of Dengue Fever in Kaohsiung City, Taiwan, in **7th Asian Seminar in Regional Science**, Taipei, Taiwan. 9 September 2017.
- 2017 Applying space-time information to explore disease processes: The dynamic patterns of Dengue Fever in Kaohsiung City, 1998-2015, in **Annual Meeting of the SRA Taiwan 2017**, Taichung, Taiwan. 25-26 May 2017. Excellent Student Poster Award
- 2016 Profiling topological characteristics of street network to identify urban traffic congestion, in 15th Conference for Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Association (GSDI), Taipei, Taiwan. 1 December 2016.
- 2016 Understanding urban traffic congestion by analyzing the link structure and the vehicle flows of urban street network, in **8th Conference on Development Studies**, Taipei, Taiwan. 16 October 2016.
- 2016 Link structure analysis of urban road networks for identifying traffic impact areas, in **NetSci 2016**, Seoul, South Korea. 2 June 2016.
- 2015 A web-based framework for monitoring spatial-temporal clustering of epidemics in Taiwan, in **FOSS4G 2015**, Seoul, South Korea. 17 September 2015.
- 2013 Geographically modified PageRank algorithm: Measuring the importance of nodes in a geospatial network, in **AAG Annual Meeting 2013**, Los Angeles, USA. 9 April 2013.
- 2012 Integration of PageRank and spatial interaction modeling to analyze topological dynamics of networked cities, in Annual Meeting of The Geography Society of China located in Taipei, Taipei, Taiwan. 21 April 2012.

Professional Experience

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2015-	An urban environmental sensing infrastructure with crowdsourcing and spatial big data for early			
2018	warning of critical conditions: A space-time multi-layered urban mobility model for assessing			
	transmission risk of infectious disease. (Proposal writer and project executor)			
	3 years project funded by MOST Taiwan.			
2015	A production model for developing geographic network analysis module. (Proposal writer and			
	project executor)			
	1 year project funded by MOST Taiwan.			
2015-	Incorporating the seasonal incidence into detecting spatial-temporal thresholds of food-borne dis-			
2017	ease outbreaks for the epidemic early warning system.			
	(Proposal writer and project executor (2015-16); data analysis (2017))			
	3 years project funded by <i>Taiwan CDC</i> .			
2016-	A framework for high spatial and temporal resolution geodemographic segmentation.			
2019	(Proposal writer and programmer)			
	3 year project funded by MOST Taiwan.			
2014-	Integration of geographic information with social network analysis to establish a geospatial model			
2016	for predicting tuberculosis (TB) contacts with latent infection and developing active disease.			
	(Proposal writer)			
	3 years project funded by MOST Taiwan.			

Personal Open Source Project

Geographical PageRank (GPR)

Description a python package for measuring concentration distribution in a spatial network.

https://bitbucket.org/wcchin/gpras Repository Pypi https://pypi.python.org/pypi/GPRas

Flow-based PageRank (FBPR)

Description a python package that calibrate the attractiveness and PR score to meet the flow.

https://bitbucket.org/wcchin/fbpr Repository

TrAcking Progression In Time And Space (TaPiTaS)

Description A data exploration and visualization algorithm for understanding diffusion process.

https://bitbucket.org/wcchin/TaPiTaS Repository https://pypi.org/project/tapitas/

Taiwan Geographic Open Data (TGOD)

a python package that wrap some open data real-time API (Taiwan) and convert the data Description

into dataframe format.

Repository https://github.com/wcchin/tgod

Vector MAP ProducER (vmapper)

Description a simple python library for creating SVG map in python.

https://github.com/wcchin/vmapper Repository

ColouringMap (colouringmap)

Description a convenient mapping tool for generating categories and colours for making choropleth map

from geopandas geodataframe.

Repository https://github.com/wcchin/colouringmap

References

Wen, Tzai-Hung

Professor, Department Chairperson

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