Shuning Zhang



My research focuses on **usable security and privacy challenges within human-AI interaction**. I address these challenges by first investigating user perceptions, concerns, and expectations regarding these issues. This includes quantitatively understanding the influence of multifaceted factors, such as misinformation and privacy risks. Subsequently, I design and develop collaborative techniques to mitigate these identified problems.

Education

Tsinghua University

Sep. 2023 – Present

PhD. Student

Institute for Network Sciences and Cyberspace

Tsinghua University Bachelor

Sep. 2019 – June. 2023 Computer Science and Technology

• Scholarship: National Scholarship (3/210), HAODUSHU Scholarship (1/210), ZHONGSHIMO Scholarship (3/210)

Internship Experience

Remote research assistant (Due to COVID19)

Proposed adaptive neural networks on physiological signals for emotion classification

Remote research assistant (Due to COVID19)

Designed REACTGENIE, a typescript framework for developers to facilitate multimodal apps' building (CHI24)

Remote research assistant (Due to COVID19)

Implemented template based NER model and benchmarked the model's transferability (ACL23)

University of Washington Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022 Stanford University Jun. 2021 - Aug. 2021

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2022

UCLA

Selected Publications

Exploring Collaboration Patterns and Strategies in Human-AI Co-creation Through the Lens of Agency: A Scoping Review of Top-tier HCI Literature

(CSCW25) Shuning Zhang, Hui Wang, Xin Yi

Actual Achieved Gain and Optimal Perceived Gain: Modeling Human Take-over Decisions Towards Automated Vehicles' Suggestions (CHI25) Shuning Zhang, Xin Yi, Shixuan Li, Chuye Hong, Gujun Chen, Jiarui Liu, Xueyang Wang, Yongquan 'Owen' Hu, Yuntao Wang, Hewu Li

PrivCAPTCHA: Interactive CAPTCHA to Facilitate Effective Comprehension of APP Privacy Policy (CHI25) **Shuning Zhang**, Xin Yi, Shixuan Li, Haobin Xing, Hewu Li

Synlab: A Spatio-Temporal Aggregation Framework for Collaborative Visual Misinformation Detection in Videos (IJCAI25 Adjunct) Shuning Zhang, Linzhi Wang, Ruokai Zhao, Yiqun Xu, Yuanyuan Wu, Yabo Wang, Simin Li, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

Explainable AIGC Misinformation Video Identification Via Vision-based Language Models With Human-initiated Insights (IJCAI25 Adjunct) Shuning Zhang, Yiqun Xu, Ruokai Zhao, Yuanyuan Wu, Yabo Wang, Linzhi Wang, Simin Li, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

IntervEEG-LLM: Exploring EEG-Based Multimodal Data for Customized Mental Health Interventions (WWW25 Companion) Shuning Zhang, Yongquan 'Owen' Hu, Xin Yi, Suranga Nanayakkara, Xiaoming Chen

Evaluating the Privacy Valuation of Personal Data on Smartphones

(IMWUT24) Lihua Fan*, **Shuning Zhang***, Yan Kong, Xin Yi, Yang Wang, Xuhai 'Orson' Xu, Chun Yu, Hewu Li, Yuanchun Shi

Squeez'In: Private Authentication on Smartphones based on Squeezing Gestures

(CHI23) Xin Yi, Shuning Zhang, Ziqi Pan, Louisa Shi, Fengyan Han, Yan Kong, Hewu Li, Yuanchun Shi

Exploring Large-Scale Language Models to Evaluate EEG-Based Multimodal Data for Mental Health

(Ubicomp24 Companion) Yongquan Hu, Shuning Zhang, Ting Dang, Hong Jia, Flora D. Salim, Wen Hu, Aaron J. Quigley

Towards Benchmarking and Assessing Visual Naturalness of Physical World Adversarial Attacks

(CVPR23) Simin Li, Shuning Zhang, Gujun Chen, Dong Wang, Pu Feng, Jiakai Wang, Aishan Liu, Xin Yi, Xianglong Liu

Exploring Voice Characteristics-based Deceptive Patterns

(In Submission) Shuning Zhang, Han Chen, Yabo Wang, Yiqun Xu, Jiaqi Bai, Yuanyuan Wu, Shixuan Li, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

ProChatter: In-Situ Resolution of Ambiguity in Querying Conversational Als via Human-Al Co-Editing

(In Submission) Shuning Zhang, Shixuan Li, Jiarui Liu, Junrui Zhu, Maggie Shao, Dakuo Wang, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

Collab: Fostering Critical Video Misinformation Identification on Social Media via Synergistic Annotation

(In Submission) Shuning Zhang, Linzhi Wang, Shixuan Li, Yuanyuan Wu, Luoxi Chen, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

"Ghost of the Past": Resolving Privacy Leakage from Conversational Memory Through Proactive and Hierarchical Redaction (In Submission) Shuning Zhang, Lymanshan Ye, Jingyu Tang, Haobin Xing, Bo Shui, Shixuan Li, Kexin Nie, Pengfei Liu, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

Adanonymizer: User-centric Privacy-Utility Trade-off Control via a 2D Palette for Web-based LLM Interactions (In Submission) Shuning Zhang, Haobin Xing, Shixuan Li, Lvumanshan Ye, Yongquan 'Owen' Hu, Kexin Nie, Xin Yi, Hewu Li

Technical Skills, Language Skills, and Interests

Programming Languages: Python, Javascript, Java, C Script Language: Chinese (Native), English (GRE 332+5, Toefl 109) Interests: Marathon, Chinese Folk Dance