## Program of ASONAM 2022 - FAB 2022 - FOSINT-SI 2022, HI-BI-BI 2022

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ASONAM 2022 will be held at Istanbul Medipol University - North Campus and South Campus

All sessions will run in North Campus C-Block 3rd floor C-315-316-317-328

Lunch breaks will be in South Campus staff cafeteria section on B1 floor

zoom links for online participants have been sent by email to all authors

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1a	Maria Predari, Robert Kooij and Henning Meyerhenke, Faster Greedy Optimization of Resistance-based Graph		
1	Robustness	Full	Optimization
Track	Zhen Su, Jürgen Kurths and Henning Meyerhenke, Network Sparsification via Degree- and Subgraph-based Edge Sampling	Full	Optimization
Research	Ekta Gujral and Evangelos Papalexakis, APTERA: Automatic PARAFAC2 Tensor Analysis	Short	Optimization
Rese	Robert Chen Bao, Matthew Hancock, Chris Kuhlman and S. S. Ravi, Using Dominating Sets to Block Contagions in Social Networks	Short	Optimization
- 1b	Pegah Hozhabrierdi and Sucheta Soundarajan, ComMit: Blind Community-based Early Mitigation Strategy against Viral Spread	Full	Information diffusion
Track	Lanyu Shang, Yang Zhang, Zhenrui Yue, Yeonjung Choi, Huimin Zeng and Dong Wang, A Knowledge-driven Domain Adaptive Approach to Early Misinformation Detection in an Emergent Health Domain on Social Media	Full	Misinformation
Research	João Marcos Machado Couto, Julio C. S. Reis, Ítalo Cunha, Leandro Araújo and Fabrício Benevenuto, Characterizing Low Credibility Websites in Brazil through Computer Networking Attributes	Short	misinformation
Rese	Mohit Mayank, Shakshi Sharma and Rajesh Sharma, DEAP-FAKED: Knowledge Graph based Approach for Fake News Detection	Short	misinformation
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- 2a	Hankyu Jang, Sulyun Lee, D. M. Hasibul Hasan, Philip M. Polgreen, Sriram V. Pemmaraju and Bijaya Adhikari, Dynamic Healthcare Embeddings for Improving Patient Care	Full	Embeddings
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esearch <sup>-</sup>	Abdulkadir Celikkanat, Apostolos N. Papadopoulos and Fragkiskos Malliaros, NodeSig: Binary Node Embeddings via Random Walk Diffusion	Full	Deep learning and embeddings
Rese	Faezeh Faez, Ali Akhoondian Amiri, Mahdieh Soleymani and Hamid R. Rabiee, DMNP: A Deep Learning Approach for Missing Node Prediction in Partially Observed Graphs	Short	missing node prediction

Research Track - 2b	Renan Saldanha Linhares, José Martins da Rosa Junior, Carlos Henrique Gomes Ferreira, Gabriel Peres Nobre, Fabricio Murai and Jussara Almeida, Uncovering Coordinated Communities on Twitter During the 2020 U.S. Election	Full	Community detection
	Xiang Li, Dong Li, Ruoming Jin, Rajiv Ramnath and Gagan Agrawal, Deep Graph Clustering with Random-walk based Scalable Learning	Full	Community detection
	Sarah Al-Shareef, Rahaf Alharbi, Rawan Alharbi, Raghad Almfarriji, Maram Alsharif, Rasha Alharthi and Lamia Althaqafi, Investigating Community Detection in Arabic Scholarly Network Using Ontology-based Semantic Expansion	Full	Community detection
Rese	Narimene Dakiche, Karima Benatchba, Fatima Benbouzid-Si Tayeb, Slimani Yahya and Mehdi Anis Brahmi, A Hybrid Artificial Bee Colony Algorithm with Simulated Annealing for Enhanced Community Detection in Social Networks	Short	community detection
- 3a	Christoph Gote, Vincenzo Perri and Ingo Scholtes, Predicting Influential Higher-Order Patterns in Temporal Network Data	Full	Affinity
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arch	Andreas Kosmatopoulos, Kostas Loumponias, Ourania Theodosiadou, Theodora Tsikrika, Stefanos Vrochidis and Ioannis Kompatsiaris, Identification of Key Actor Nodes: A Centrality Measure Ranking Aggregation Approach	Short	Centrality and roles?
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arch Track	Negar Mokhberian, Frederic R. Hopp, Bahareh Harandizadeh, Fred Morstatter and Kristina Lerman, Noise Audits Improve Moral Foundation Classification	Full	Moral foundation
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esearch	Li-Chia Wang, Hao-Shang Ma and Jen-Wei Huang, Novel Attention Mechanisms with item for Sequential Recommendation	Short	Recommendation
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esearch <sup>-</sup>	Ahmad Zareie and Rizos Sakellariou, Minimizing the Importance Inequality of Nodes in a Social Network Graph	Full	Node Inequality
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Ž	Kumari Neha, Vibhu Agrawal, Arun Balaji Buduru and Ponnurangam Kumaraguru, The Pursuit of Being Heard: An Unsupervised Approach to Narrative Detection in Online Protest	Short	Application/NLP

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Salim Afra, Tansel Ozyer, Jon Rokne, Reda Alhajj, NetDriller-V3: A Powerful Social Network Analysis Tool

Devin Coughlin, Maylee Gagnon, Victoria Grasso, Guanyi Mou, Kyumin Lee, Renata Konrad, Patricia Raxter and Meredith Gore. Extracting and Visualizing Wildlife Trafficking Events from Wildlife Trafficking Reports

Andrew Hine and Alice Matthews. Trust and data ownership Can online content indicate an individual's 'real-life' personality?

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Title: Can crowdsourcing rescue the social marketplace of ideas?

Speaker: Professor Taha Yasseri, University College Dublin, Ireland

Abstract: Facebook and Twitter recently announced community-based review platforms to address misinformation. In this talk, I provide an overview of the potential affordances of such community-based approaches to content moderation based on past research and preliminary analysis of Twitter's Birdwatch data. While our analysis generally supports a community-based approach to content moderation, it also warns against potential pitfalls, particularly when the implementation of the new infrastructure focuses on crowd-based "validation" rather than "collaboration." We call for multidisciplinary research utilizing methods from complex systems studies, behavioural sociology, and computational social science to advance the research on crowd-based content moderation.

Bio: Taha Yasseri is an Associate Professor at the School of Sociology and a Geary Fellow at the Geary Institute for Public Policy at University College Dublin, Ireland. Formerly, he was a Senior Research Fellow in Computational Social Science at the University of Oxford, a Turing Fellow at the Alan Turing Institute for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence, and a Research Fellow in Humanities and Social Sciences at Wolfson College. Taha Yasseri has a PhD in Complex Systems Physics from the University of Göttingen, Germany. He has interests in the analysis of large-scale transactional data and conducting behavioural experiments to understand human dynamics, machines' social behaviour, government-society interactions, online political behaviour, mass collaboration and collective intelligence, information and opinion dynamics, hate speech and content moderation, collective behaviour, and online dating.

Title: Social Media Data for Studying Human Behavior: Where do we go from here?

Speaker: Professor Juergen Pfeffer, Technical University of Munich, Germany

Abstract: Social media has come a long way - and it hasn't been a good one, unfortunately. Platforms that were celebrated for their mobilizing power during the Arab Spring are now the focus of criticism because this same mobilizing power drives negative dynamics such as polarization, hate speech, and the spread of fake news and conspiracy theories. From a research perspective, we have embraced these destructive tendencies as worthy scientific challenges – always under the assumption that the data that we are analyzing is a good representation of human behavior. However, access to platform data has been limited over the years and, where available, was complicated by flaws and a lack of transparency. With Musk's take-over of Twitter, we have most likely reached a tipping point for social media research. At the same time platforms and their billionaire owners have reached a new low in reputation among the general public. In this presentation, I will talk about challenges for individual researchers and for society at large in the current state of social media platforms. But I will also talk about ideas for solutions and possible paths forward. Researchers will need to adapt and spend more time thinking about data quality, bias, and new methodological approaches. And policymakers will need to become more creative when it comes to regulating and auditing social media platforms so that tools that are used by the entire society can actually serve society and the public interest.

Prof. Pfeffer's research focuses on the analysis of large and dynamic socio-technical systems as well as the methodological, algorithmic and theoretical challenges that arise from these analyses. Pfeffer's research falls at the intersection of social and computer sciences. Current projects deal with the modeling and detection of negative dynamics in social media, such as online firestorms and hate against politically active women. After ten years of professional experience in NGOs, consulting firms and non-university research institutions, Jürgen Pfeffer acquired a doctorate in business informatics at the University of Technology in 2010. He subsequently worked as a postdoctoral fellow at Carnegie Mellon University (USA) until he was appointed there as Assistant Research Professor in 2012. Since March 1, 2016, Prof. Jürgen Pfeffer has been serving as Professor of Computational Social Science & Big Data at the Bavarian School of Public Policy at TUM.

Title: Networks and Narratives: Characterizing Multiplatform Influence Campaigns to Strengthen Socio-cognitive Security

Speaker: Professor Nitin Agarwal, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, USA

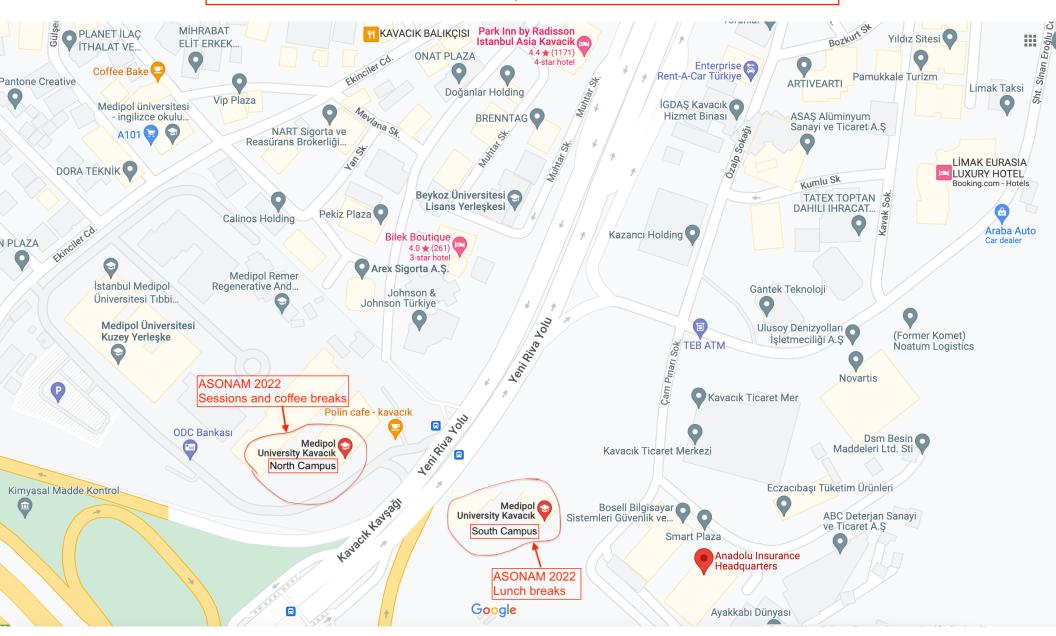
Abstract: Digital communication tools, especially social media, are integral part of lives. A large population gets their information and news from these platforms. Openness and lack of standards have made these media platforms a hotbed for malicious activities such as, spreading propaganda, misinformation, conspiracy theories, extremism, and terrorism to propagate hysteria, sow discord, create chaos, cause instability, and erode public trust in democratic and scientific institutions.

I will discuss our research efforts studying the mechanics of misinformation campaigns, critical link between blogs and various social media platforms, and media orchestration strategies. Tactics, techniques, and procedures used by malicious groups to propagate misinformation will be highlighted. I will present insights from our various studies pertaining to misinformation campaigns in the Baltic region, NATO's military exercises, Canadian elections, Indo-Pacific, and COVID-19.

The research has been transitioned into publicly available software programs, viz., Blogtracker and YouTubeTracker that will be showcased during the talk. Furthermore, the research has been operationalized for policy makers such as Arkansas Attorney General's office to combat COVID-19 scams, NATO public affairs and strategic communications officers to manage anti-NATO campaigns, among others.

Biography: Nitin Agarwal is the Jerry L. Maulden-Entergy Chair and Distinguished Professor of Information Science at University of Arkansas - Little Rock and a faculty fellow of the International Computer Science Institute (ICSI) at University of California, Berkeley, Dr. Agarwal is the founding director of the Collaboratorium of Social Media and Online Behavioral Studies (COSMOS) research center. His research interests include social computing, (deviant) behavior modeling, group dynamics, influence, trust, collective action, social-cyber forensics, mis/disinformation, influence operations, coordinated and cross-platform cyber campaigns, adversarial information operations, health informatics, data mining, and privacy. Cyber is vital for any multi-domain operation but the challenges we face today transcend the traditional cybersecurity in the form of (mis/dis)information and influence operations targeting individual (at micro level) and groups or societies (at macro level). Dr. Agarwal is leading the development of research-based solutions for characterizing multimedia and multiplatform influence campaigns, measure their influence, assess human and adversarial AI coordination, and strengthen socio-cognitive security apparatus by designing inoculation strategies. Dr. Agarwal's socio-computational models and social cyber forensics methodologies, rooted in social science theories, help advance the understanding of campaigns, mobilization through online networks, collective action, deindividuation, influence campaigns, misinformation, disinformation, and propaganda campaigns that are conducted in the cyber world with real-world implications. Dr. Agarwal has received 32 grants totaling over \$40 million from the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force, DARPA, and NSF to support these multi-year and multi-domain efforts and multi-national partnerships with various academic, government, and industry entities. Over 300 publications have resulted so far from this effort including 15 best paper awards in highly prestigious scientific and policy forums. Dr. Agarwal has led transition of the research into usable tools winning top innovation recognitions from NATO, WHO, and others demonstrating the need for technology and innovation to bridge science, society, and policy. Visit https://profiles.ualr.edu/na10/ for more details.

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