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Teaching Experience (Computer Science Classes Taught)

CS 153	Discrete Mathematics	CS 252	Introduction to Computational Theory
CS 353	Database Modeling Concepts	CS 451	Database Concepts
CS 452	Database Design Concepts	CS 453	Fundamentals of Information Retrieval
CS 501R	Logic Programming	CS 653	Information Retrieval
CS 554	Distributed Databases	CS 501R	Deductive Databases

Research Interests

Question-Answering Systems
Web Query Processing

Information Retrieval
Recommender Systems

Graduate Students

- Current Graduate Students
 - Angel Wheelwright, 2nd year M.S., “Using FCOS and an Encoder-Decoder Model to Detect and Recognize Visual Mathematical Equations,” Active.
 - Claire Cate, 1st year M.S., Active
- Former Graduate Students

- Sophie Gao, “Answering Math Questions Using KL-Divergence and the Approximate XML Tree Matching Approach,” June 2023.
- Joseph Bills, “Enhancing the Opportunities for Adults with Autism to Find Jobs Using a Job-Matching Algorithm,” June 2022.
- Eric Brewer, “Age-Suitability Prediction for Literature Using Deep Neural Networks,” July 2020.
- Alisha Banskota, “Recommending Games to Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) for Skill Enhancement Using *Minecraft*,” October 2019.
- Maria Soledad Pera (Ph.D.), “Using Online Data Sources to Make Recommendations on Reading Materials for K-12 and Advanced Readers,” April 2014.
- Rani Qumsiyeh, “Easy to Find: Creating Query-Based Multi-document Summaries to Enhance Web Search,” April 2011.
- Maria Soledad Pera (M.S.), “Improving Library Searches Using Word-Correlation Factors and Folksonomies,” April 2009.
- Ian Garcia, “Eliminating Redundant and Less-Informative RSS News Articles Based on Word Similarity and a Fuzzy Equivalent Relation” January 2007.
- Amit Ahuja, “A Dynamic Attribute-Based Load-Shedding and Data Recovery Scheme for Data Stream Management Systems,” July 2006.
- Rajiv Yerra, “Detecting Similar HTML Documents Using a Sentence-Based Copy Detection Approach” (thesis completed and graduated), July 2005.
- Lihua Zhang, “Retrieving Information from Tables in Chinese HTML Documents Using a Chinese Query Engine” (thesis submitted and graduated), December 2002.
- Seung-Jin Lim (Ph.D.), “Semantic Hierarchies of HTML Documents and Their Applications” (dissertation submitted and graduated), November 2001.
- Quan Wang, “A Binary-Categorization Approach for Classifying Multiple-Record Web Documents Using a Probabilistic Retrieval Model,” (thesis submitted and graduated), November 2001.
- Jiaxin Jerry Gao, “Study and Implementation of Selective Splitting Algorithms and Cache Maintenance Algorithms in Associative Client Cache” (thesis submitted and graduated), November 2001.
- Kelvin Lau, “A Client-based Web Cache Management System with Prefetching Schedules” (thesis submitted and graduated), October 2000.
- Linus Kwong, “Automatic Categorization of Multiple-Record Web Documents Based on Application Ontologies and Information Retrieval Models” (thesis submitted and graduated), July 1999.
- Yuan Jiang, “Record-Boundary Discovery in Web Documents” (thesis submitted and graduated), December 1998.

- Cesar Bustamante, “A Formal Approach to Hybrid Fragmentation of Distributed Deductive Database Systems” (thesis proposal approved - December 1997).
- Tim Johnson, “Efficient Query Evaluation Strategies for *LDL/NR*” (thesis submitted and graduated), October 1997.
- Aparna Seetharaman, “Formal Approaches for Horizontal Fragmentation of Disjunctive Deductive Databases” (thesis submitted and graduated), August 1996.
- Nael Qaraeen, “*SQL*/NR*: A Recursive Query Language for Nested Relations” (thesis submitted and graduated), July 1995.
- Seung-Jin Lim, (M.S.) “Set-term Unification in a Logic Database Language” (thesis submitted and graduated), December 1994.
- Qing Chang, “A Logic Database Language for Nested Relations in Partition Normal Form” (thesis submitted and graduated), December 1993.

Current Undergraduate Students

- Mackenzie Cottle, CS Junior
- Venus Chan, CS Junior

Special Awards

- The paper, “A Hybrid Approach for Summarizing User Reviews Based on KL-Divergence and Deep Learning,” co-authored by me, Nathaniel Benham and Sophie Gao, was selected for the *Best Student Paper Award* by the program committee chairs of the 34th IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (ICTAI).
- The paper, “Targeting Therapeutic Games to Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder,” co-authored by me and Joseph Bills, was selected for the *Outstanding Paper Award* by the International International Conference on Internet Technologies & Society (ITS 2019).
- The paper, “Personalized Recipe Recommendations for Toddlers Based on Nutrient Intake and Food Preferences,” co-authored by me and Meilan Jin, was selected by the 9th International ACM Conference on Management of Digital EcoSystems (MEDES’17) for the *Best Paper Award*.
- Our ICDE’01 paper, “An Automated Change-Detection Algorithm for HTML Documents Based on Semantic Hierarchies,” co-authored by me and my graduate student, Seung-Jin Lim, was selected for the *Best Student Paper Award* at ICDE’01 International conference, April 2001.
- Seung-Jin Lim’s master’s thesis was selected as the *outstanding master’s thesis* for the College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences for 1994-95.

Citizenship and Service

- (a) **BYU**

- Department - Members of the following department committees:
 - *Department Promotion, Raise, & Leave Committee*, September 2021 - present.
 - *Department Internship Coordinator*, September 2006 - present.
 - *Student Research Conference (SRC) Department Coordinator*, September 2017 - present.
 - *Graduate Committee*, September 2011 - August 2018.
 - *Computer Merit-Badge Coordinator*, BYU Boy Scouts Pow-wow, September 2001 - August 2016.
 - College: Reviewer of *BYU ORCA Mentoring Grant Proposals*, September 2003 - August 2015.
 - *Undergraduate Scholarship Representative*, August 1999 - July 2002.
 - *Recruitment Committee*, August 1997 - July 1999.
 - *Promotion, Tenure, and Leave Committee*, August 1997 - August 1999.
 - *Computing/Capital Equipment & Undergraduate Curriculum Committees*, August 1996 - August 1997.
 - *Graduate Admissions Committee*, September 1995 - August 1996.
 - *Graduate Affairs & Admissions Committee*, September 1993 - August 1996.
 - *Promotion & Tenure Committee*, September 1992 - August 1993.
- University
 - Advisor of the *Hong Kong Student Association*, April 1992 - August 1995, September 2021 - Present.
 - Member of the *Pre-medical Committee*, February 1998 - April 2000.
 - Member of the *BYU Self-Study Task Force Committee on International LDS Graduate Students at BYU*, March 1995 - April 1995.

(b) **Professional**

- Editorships on professional journals
 - (a) Associate Editor of the *International Journal of Web Information Systems*, Emerald Publishing, 2017 - Present.
 - (b) Review an article, “Detecting News Scrap Using Sentence Level Approach for Duplicate Document Detection,” submitted to the *ETRI Journal*. September 25, 2009.
 - (c) Refereed an article “Web Change Detection with CDweb,” submitted to *Journal of Information Systems*, January 7, 2002.

- (d) Refereed an article “A Methodology to Vertical Partitioning for a Multi-Relation Database Environment,” submitted to *IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Database Engineering (KDE)*, October 25, 2001.
 - (e) Refereed an article “Fast Text and Image Retrieval in Combination: a Feasibility Demonstration,” submitted to *WISE 2001*, September 21, 2001.
 - (f) Refereed an article “Managing the Information Retrieved from Knowledge Portals,” submitted to the *ACM Tenth International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management (CIKM 2001)*, July 10, 2001.
 - (g) Refereed an article “Nesting-Based Relational-to-XML Schema Translation,” submitted to the *Fourth International Workshop on the Web and Databases (WebDB’2001)*, March 30, 2001.
 - (h) Refereed an article “Logical Structure Analysis for Structured Document Generation: A Syntactic Approach,” submitted to *IEEE Journal of Knowledge and Data Engineering (IEEE-KDE)*, November 30, 2000.
 - (i) Refereed five articles submitted to the *17th International Symposium on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA ’01)*, November 2000.
 - (j) Refereed six articles submitted to the *2000 ADBIS-DASFAA International Conference*, September 2000.
 - (k) Refereed an article “Flexible and Modular Semi-Structured Data Model,” submitted to the *1st International Conference on Web Information Systems Engineering (WISE 2000)*, April 21, 2000.
 - (l) Refereed two articles submitted to the *International Workshop on the World-Wide Web and Conceptual Modeling (WWWCM’99)*, Paris, France, November 15-18, 1999.
 - (m) Refereed an article “A Practical Approach to Dynamic Horizontal Fragmentation of Database Object Classes” submitted to *The Computer Journal*, November 8, 1999.
- Conference organization involvement
 - (a) Program Committee Member of the *ACM SIGIR*, *ACM TheWebConf*, and *ACM RecSys*, 2020 - Present.
 - (b) Program Committee Member of the *International Database Engineering & Applications Symposium (IDEAS)*, 2006 - Present.
 - (c) Program Committee Member of the *3rd International Workshop on Web Information and Data Management (WIDM’01)*, November 9, 2001.
 - (d) Program Committee Member of the *17th International Symposium on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA ’01)*, April 18-20, 2001.
 - (e) Program Committee Member of the *2000 International Symposium on Advances in Databases and Information Systems and Database Systems for Ad-*

vanced Applications (ADIS-DASFAA '00), September 5-8, 2000.

(f) Organizing Committee Member (Registration) of the 19th *International Conference on Conceptual Modeling (ER'2000)*, October 9-12, 2000.

- Professional organization service
 - Chair the Technical Session—Information Retrieval—at the 21st *IEEE International Conference on Tools with Artificial Intelligence (IEEE ICTAI 2009)*, November 4, 2009, Newark, New Jersey.
 - Served as the Session Chair of the *Queries and Security* session at the 9th *International Database Engineering and Applications Symposium (IDEAS'05)*, Montreal, Canada, July 27, 2005.
 - Served as the Session Chair of the *Heterogeneous & Network Databases* session at the 7th *International Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications (DASFAA 2001)*, April 10, 2001.
 - Served as the Session Chair of the *Information Retrieval* session at the *International Conference on Internet Applications*, December 15, 1999.
- Invited Lectures
 - “Detecting Similar Web Documents Using a Fuzzy Set Information Retrieval Approach,” *Computer Science Colloquia*, China Northeastern University, Shenyang, China, July 22, 2005.
 - “Semantic Hierarchies of HTML Documents and Their Applications,” *Computer Science Department Colloquia*, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, March 22, 2002.
 - “Databases,” MFET 591R, *Graduate Seminar*, Department of Manufacturing Engineering & Engineering Technology, Brigham Young University, November 27, 1995.
 - “An Improved Normal Form for Nested Relations,” *Computer Science Department Colloquia*, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan, August 19, 1993.

Professional Memberships

- Member of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)