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EDUCATION

Sep.2015 – July.2020	UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, TWIN CITIES	Minneapolis, MN, USA
	Ph.D. in Computer Science	
	Research on Data Mining and Machine Learning	Advisor: Prof. Vipin Kumar
	Thesis: “Integrating Physics into Machine Learning for Monitoring Scientific Systems”	
Aug.2012 – July.2015	UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO, SUNY	Buffalo, NY, USA
	M.S. in Computer Science	
Sep.2008 – July.2012	UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF CHINA (USTC)	Hefei, Anhui, China
	Bachelor in Computer Science	

EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor <i>Department of Computer Science, University of Pittsburgh</i>	September 2025–present
Assistant Professor <i>Department of Computer Science, University of Pittsburgh</i>	August 2020–August 2025
Data Science Research Intern <i>System Technology Lab, Adobe Research</i>	Summer 2018, 2019
Graduate Research Assistant <i>University of Minnesota, Twin Cities</i>	2015–2020

HONORS & AWARDS

ICDM Blue Sky Track Best Paper	2025
AWRA William R. Boggess Award	2024
ESA's Ecological Forecasting Outstanding Publication Award	2023
SDM Best Applied Data Science Paper Award	2023
Best Dissertation Award, University of Minnesota	2022
SIGSPATIAL Best Paper Finalist	2022
Top 3 Performance in the SIGSPATIAL Cup competition	2022
SDM Best Applied Data Science Paper Award	2022
ICDM Best Conference Paper Award	2021
SDM Best Applied Data Science Paper Award	2021
KDD DeepSpatial Workshop Best Paper Award	2021
IEEE Rising Stars Conference - People Choice Award in YP Poster Competition	2021
Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2019
UMII MnDRIVE Graduate Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2017

College of Science and Engineering Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2015
Ranked amongst top 40 in Baidu Scholarship over around 10,000 nominations	2017
ASONAM Best Conference Paper Award	2016
IEEE BIBE Conference Best Student Paper Award	2014
Outstanding Graduate, USTC	2012
Excellent Student Scholarship, USTC (top 15% of students annually)	2009/2010/2011/2012

RESEARCH GRANTS

[16] NSF Award 2530609, “Collaborative Research: CAIG: Emulating Water Isotopes in Fully-coupled Global Climate Models using Knowledge-guided Machine Learning”, personal share \$383,203. 11/01/2025-10/31/2028. (Role: PI. Lead PI: Feng Zhu, NCAR. Other PIs: Yiqun Xie, University of Maryland).

[15] NASA AIST23_2-0041, “A Digital Twin Integrating Knowledge and AI for Understanding Carbon and Biodiversity Corridors in Central Africa”, \$1,399,788, personal share \$300,000. 11/01/2025-10/31/2027 (anticipated). (Role: Co-PI. PI: Yiqun Xie, University of Maryland. Other Co-PIs: Lei Ma, George Hurtt, Catherine Nakalembe, University of Maryland; Patrick Jantz, Northern Arizona University).

[14] NSF Award 2425845, “Collaborative Research: CAIG: Toward Next-Generation Global Forest Carbon Monitoring via Integrated Sensing, Modeling and AI to Advance Carbon Cycle Science”, personal share \$252,540, 10/01/2024-09/30/2027. Date Awarded: 08/29/2024. (Role: PI, Lead PI: Yiqun Xie, UMD)

[13] NASA Early Career Investigator Program 80NSSC24K1061, “Towards Generalizable, Fair, and Knowledge Guided Machine Learning for Monitoring Earth Systems”, \$299,867, 08/01/2024-07/31/2027. Date Awarded: 02/21/2024. (Role: Sole PI)

[12] NSF Award IIS-2316305, “Collaborative Research: III: Small: Physics Guided Graph Networks for Modeling Water Dynamics in Freshwater Ecosystems”, \$599,993 (personal share \$349,993), 10/01/2023-09/30/2026. Date awarded: 08/23/2023 (Role: Lead PI, Other PIs: Sheng Li, University of Virginia)

[11] NSF Award IIS-2239175, “CAREER: Combine Machine Learning and Physics-based Modeling Approaches for Accelerating Scientific Discovery”, \$599,987, 07/01/2023-06/30/2028. Date awarded: 06/13/2023. (Role: Sole PI)

[10] NE CASC with US Geological Survey Funding, “Beyond Temperature-only Coldwater Climate Refugia: Integration of Process-guided Deep Learning Models for Flow and Temperature into Assessments for Coldwater Streams”, \$413,952 (personal share \$76,522), 07/15/2023-07/14/2025. Date awarded: 04/24/2023. (Role: Co-PI. PI: Jennifer Fair, USGS. Other Co-PIs: Amrita Gupta, Microsoft; Scott Jackson, UMass Amherst; Benjamin Letcher, USGS; Jeffrey Walker, USGS)

[9] NEC Lab Gift Funding, “Machine Learning in Supply Chain and Carbon Emission”, \$45,000. Date Awarded: 01/26/2023. (Role: Sole PI)

[8] Pitt Momentum Grant, “Preserving Fairness of Deep Learning Under Environmental Changes”, \$24,675, 06/30/2023-06/30/2024. Date awarded: 02/10/2023. (Role: PI. Co-PI: Hassan Karimi)

[7] NASA AIST-21-0068, “Coupled Statistics-Physics Guided Learning to Harness Heterogeneous Earth Data at Large Scales”, \$599,956 (personal share: \$188,697), 07/01/2022-12/31/2023. Date awarded: 05/11/2022. (Role: Co-PI. PI: Yiqun Xie, University of Maryland. Other Co-PI: Sergii Skakun, University of Maryland)

[6] U.S. Geological Survey Grant G22AC00266, “Machine Learning for Flow Estimation Using Camera Images and Physical Knowledge”, \$79,495, 06/01/2022-05/31/2024. Date awarded: 06/01/2022. (Role: Sole PI)

[5] NSF Award OAC-2203581, “CDS&E: Physics Guided Super-Resolution for Turbulent Transport”, \$499,624 (personal share: \$320,585), 08/01/2022-07/31/2025. Date awarded: 05/23/2022. (Role: PI. Co-PI: Peyman Givi)

[4] NSF Award IIS-2147195, “FAI: Advancing Deep Learning Towards Spatial Fairness”, \$755,098 (personal share: \$330,324), 06/01/2022-05/31/2025. Date awarded: 05/25/2022. (Role: PI. Co-PIs: Yiqun Xie, Sergii Skakun, University of Maryland)

[3] U.S. Geological Survey Grant G21AC10564, “Advancing Process-Guided Deep Learning for Modeling Stream Networks with Reservoirs”, \$180,000, 01/01/2022- 12/31/2024. Date awarded: 09/20/2021. (Role: Sole PI)

[2] U.S. Geological Survey Grant G21AC10207, “Process-Guided Machine Learning for Modeling Stream and Reservoir Networks”, \$116,000, 03/22/2021-03/21/2023. Date awarded: 03/24/2021. (Role: Sole PI)

[1] Pitt Momentum Grant, “Physics-guided Machine Learning for Scientific Knowledge Discovery”, \$15,725, 06/30/2021-06/30/2022. Date awarded: 02/11/2021. (Role: Sole PI)

PUBLICATIONS

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JOURNAL PAPERS

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[46] M. Ramezanzpour, A. M. Robertson, Y. Tobe, X. Jia, and J. R. Cebal. AI-based modality-agnostic classification system for vascular calcifications. **Scientific Reports**, 15, no. 1 (2025): 35500, 2025.

[45] Z. Li, Y. Xie, X. Jia, G. Mai, Z. Wang, and W. Chen. Machine-learning-enabled spatial pattern mining: evaluating the impact of imperfect inputs. **International Journal of Geographical Information Science**, 39(10), pp.2362-2400, 2025.

[44] A. Karpatne, A. Deshwal, X. Jia, W. Ding, M. Steinbach, A. Zhang, and V. Kumar. AI-enabled scientific revolution in the age of generative AI: second NSF workshop report. **npj Artificial Intelligence**, 1(1), pp.18, 2025.

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INVITED TALKS

- Keynote speaker, AI for Time Series Analysis — Theory, Algorithms, and Applications (AI4TS) workshop at SDM 2025, May 2025. <https://ai4ts.github.io/sdm2025.html>
- Invited speaker, Statistics and Data Science Seminar, Northwestern University, February 2025. <https://planitpurple.northwestern.edu/event/626465>
- Dean's Spotlight Series, School of Computing and Information, University of Pittsburgh, April 2024. <https://www.sci.pitt.edu/news/deans-spotlight-24-jia>
- Invited speaker, MOST-AM Consortium 2023 Spring Meeting, Ansys, Inc., December 2023.
- Invited speaker, CEE Graduate Seminar, Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Pittsburgh, September 2023.
- Invited speaker, University of Maryland GEOG Seminar, April 2023. <https://geog.umd.edu/event/geog-seminar-46-xiaowei-jia-knowledge-guided-machine-learning-challenges-and-opportunities>
- Keynote speaker, 2022 International Conference on Neural Computing for Advanced Applications, July 2022. <https://dl2link.com/ncaa2022/program/keynoteSpeakers#page-anchor>
- Invited speaker, ChE-650 Seminar, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL), Dec 2021. <https://memento.epfl.ch/event/machine-learning-in-chemistry-and-beyond-che-650-8/>
- Invited speaker, ExxonMobil, July 2021.
- Invited speaker, Midwest Big Data Summer School, Iowa State University, May 2021.
- Invited speaker, IJCAI 2020 Workshop on Bringing Semantic Knowledge into Vision and Text Understanding, January 2021. <https://cobweb.cs.uga.edu/~shengli/Tusion2020.html>
- Invited speaker, AAAI Fall 2020 Symposium on Physics-Guided AI to Accelerate Scientific Discovery, November 2020.
- Invited speaker, Graduate Seminar, Mechanical and Materials Science, University of Pittsburgh, September 2020.
- Invited speaker, OpenNEX Seminar, NASA's Ames Research Center, July 2018. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p6_KwUS9rL8

CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

- 2025 AAAI Bridge Program on Knowledge-Guided Machine Learning. February 2025. Role: Organizer. <https://sites.google.com/vt.edu/kgml-bridge-aaai-25/>

- 2024 Workshop on Knowledge Guided Machine Learning, August 2024. Role: Organizer. <https://sites.google.com/umn.edu/kgml2024/>
- AAAI Fall Symposium 2022 on Knowledge-Guided Machine Learning, November 2022. Role: Organization committee member. Lead organizer: Anuj Karpatne, Virginia Tech. <https://sites.google.com/vt.edu/kgml-aaai-22/committee>
- The 2nd Annual Workshop on Knowledge Guided Machine Learning, August 2021. Role: Organization committee member. Lead organizer: Vipin Kumar, University of Minnesota. <https://sites.google.com/umn.edu/kgmlworkshop/workshop#h.9xvhuxkwlflo>
- Google exploreCSR Workshop on Computing Research, May 2021. Role: Organization committee member. Lead organizer: Beiyu Lin, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. <https://workshoputrgv.github.io/google.explorecsr.html>
- ACM BCB, September 2014. Role: Organization committee member and web master. Lead organizer: Aidong Zhang, University of Virginia. <https://cse.buffalo.edu/ACM-BCB2014/organization.html>

INVITED PANELS

- MOST-AM Consortium 2023 Spring Meeting, Ansys, Inc., 2023.
- International Workshop on Resource-Efficient Learning for Knowledge Discovery (RelKD 2023@KDD), 2023.
- AAAI Fall 2020 Symposium on Physics-guided AI to Accelerate Scientific Discovery, 2020.

PRESS

- ACM TechNews, “ML Methods Could Improve Environmental Predictions”, June 2021. <https://technews.acm.org/archives.cfm?fo=2021-06-jun/jun-25-2021.html>
- EurekAlert, “ML Methods Could Improve Environmental Predictions”, June 2021. <https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/637676>

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate Course “CS 1656/2056: Introduction to Data Science”, University of Pittsburgh.

- Semester taught: Spring 2021 (enrolled: 53), Spring 2022 (enrolled: 57), Fall 2022 (enrolled: 58), Fall 2023 (enrolled: 50), Fall 2024 (enrolled: 42)
- Student evaluations: 3.36 (Spring 2021), 4.13 (Spring 2022), 3.53 (weighted average, Fall 2022), 3.00 (weighted average, Fall 2023), 4.04 (Fall 2024)

Graduate Course “CS 2756: Principles of Data Mining”, developed new course, University of Pittsburgh

- Semester taught: Spring 2022 (enrolled: 25), Spring 2024 (enrolled: 33), Fall 2024 (enrolled: 10)
- Student evaluations: 4.5 (Spring 2022), 4.75 (Spring 2024), 4.83 (Fall 2024)

Graduate Course “CS 3750: Advanced Topics in Machine Learning”, University of Pittsburgh.

- Semester taught: Fall 2020 (enrolled: 16), Spring 2025 (enrolled: 18)
- Student evaluations: 4.00 (Fall 2020), 4.71 (Spring 2025)

Guest Lecturer for the “Scientific Machine Learning Mini-Course” in 2020 at Carnegie Mellon University.

Guest Lecturer for the course “Computer Science Seminar 6175” in 2020 at the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

Guest Lecturer for the course “CMSC 691” in 2020 at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Guest Lecturer for the course “CSCI 8980: Advanced Topics in Computer Science – AI for Earth” in 2017 and 2019 at the University of Minnesota.

PHD STUDENTS SUPERVISED at the University of Pittsburgh

- Xiaoting Li (CS, 2022-present, committee: Alexandros Labrinidis, Panos Chrysanthis, Konstantinos Pelechrinis, Xiaowei Jia). Status: Ph.D. proposal passed April 2024, expected graduation December 2025.
- Yue Wan (CS, 2022-present)
- Can Zheng (CS, 2021-present)
- Nasrin Kalanat (CS, 2022-present)
- Shiyuan Luo (CS, 2023-present)
- Yingda Fan (CS, 2023-present)
- Qi Cheng (CS, 2023-present)
- Yiming Sun (CE, 2023-present)
- Chonghao Qiu (CS, 2025-present)
- Rongchao Dong (CS, 2024-present)
- Erhu He (CS, 05/2021-03/2026, committee: Xiaowei Jia, Diane Litman, Stephen Lee, Yiqun Xie). Current position: Machine Learning Engineer, Samsung Ads.
- Shengyu Chen (CS, 09/2020-05/2025, committee: Xiaowei Jia, Milos Hauskrecht, Longfei Shangguan, Peyman Givi, Vipin Kumar). Current position: Research Scientist, NEC Laboratories America, Inc.

POST-DOC SUPERVISED at the University of Pittsburgh

- Runlong Yu (09/2023-09/2025). Current position: Assistant Professor, University of Alabama.

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Senior Program Committee Member in AAAI (2024), IJCAI (2023, 2024), SDM (2023, 2024), PAKDD (2024).

Program Committee Member in SIGKDD (2022, 2023), AAAI (2019-2022), NeurIPS (2021, 2023, 2024), ICML (2022), ICLR (2020-2024), IJCAI (2016) and ECML/PKDD workshop on Machine Learning for Earth Observation Data (2019-2020).

Organization Committee Member in ICDM 2025, ACM-BCB 2014.

Editorial Panel for the special issue on Sustainability and Computing in the **Communications of the ACM** journal.

Guest Editor for the special issue “Advancing Machine Learning for Remote Sensing to Enhance Spatio-temporal Generalizability” in the **Remote Sensing** journal.

Reviewer for journals TKDE, TPAMI, JAMIA, Nature Scientific Reports, Remote Sensing of Environment (RSE), Remote Sensing, IEEE TNSRE, and IEEE JBHI.

COMPUTER SCIENCE SERVICE AT the University of Pittsburgh

Member, Graduate Admissions and Financial Aid (GAFA), 09/2020 – 04/2024.

Member, Graduate Programs and Exams Committee (GPEC), 09/2021 – 04/2022, 09/2024-04/2025.

Member, Tenure-Stream Recruiting Committee (REC-TS), 09/2022-04/2023.