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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Behavioral analytics

- Information veracity
- Behavioral security
- Analysis methods in behavioral research

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, University at Albany, SUNY (2018 – present)

Department of Information Security & Digital Forensics School of Business

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Business Administration (2018)

Eller College of Management, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona

Major: Management Information Systems

Minor: Statistics

Dissertation Committee: Jay F. Nunamaker (chair), Judee Burgoon, Bill Mayew

Dissertation Title: Using narrative disclosures to detect financial fraud

Master of Business Administration (2012)

College of Business Administration, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Michigan

Concentration: Management Information Systems

Bachelor of Science (2010)

College of Science and Technology, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, Michigan

Major: Information Technology

Minor: Entrepreneurship

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Xunyu Chen, Xinran Wang, **Lee A. Spitzley**, Jay F. Nunamaker, Jr. (2023). Trust and Deception with High Stakes: Evidence from the Friend or Foe Dataset. *Decision Support Systems*. 173:113997
- 2. **Lee A. Spitzley**, Xinran Wang, Xunyu Chen, Judee K. Burgoon, Norah E. Dunbar, Saying Ge. (2022). Linguistic measures of personality in group discussions. *Frontiers in Psychology*. 13:887616.
- 3. Steven J. Pentland, Christie Fuller, **Lee A. Spitzley**, and Doug Twitchell. (2022). Does accuracy matter? Methodological considerations when using automated speech-to-text for social science research. *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*.

- 4. **Lee A. Spitzley,** Xinran (Rebecca) Wang, Xunyu Chen, Steven J. Pentland, Jay F. Nunamaker, Judee K. Burgoon, Norah E. Dunbar. (2022). Non-invasive measures of trust in group interactions. *IEEE Transactions on Affective Computing*.
 - University at Albany School of Business 2022-2023 Elite Publication Award
- 5. Nathan W. Twyman, Steven J. Pentland, **Lee A. Spitzley.** (2020). Design principles for signal detection in modern job application systems: Identifying fabricated qualifications. *Journal of Management Information Systems*. 37(3). 849-874.
- 6. Judee K. Burgoon, William J. Mayew, Justin S. Giboney, Aaron Elkins, Kevin Moffitt, Bradley Dorn, Michael Byrd, Lee A. Spitzley. (2016). Which spoken language markers identify deception in high-stakes settings? Evidence from earnings conference calls. *Journal of Language and Social Psychology*. 35(2). 123-157.

WORKING PAPERS

- 1. **Lee A. Spitzley**. Analyst language in quarterly earnings calls: Comparing interactions with fraudulent and non-fraudulent managers. *In preparation for journal submission*.
- 2. Lee A. Spitzley. Information content in manager-analyst dyads. *Targeted: Decision Support Systems*.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- 1. Early detection of earnings management using earnings call behavior. With Xinran Wang and Zisu Wang. *Data analysis in progress. Target: Management Science.*
- 2. Precision, power, and price: Levels of analysis in narrative financial disclosures. *Writing in progress. Targeted: Review of Accounting Studies*.

REFEREED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- * Presenting Author
- 1. Pentland, S. J., **Spitzley, L. A.,** Fuller, C.*, Twitchell, D. (2019). Data quality relevance in linguistic analysis: The impact of transcription errors on multiple methods of linguistic analysis. Americas Conference on Information Systems. August 15-17, 2019. Cancún, Mexico.
- 2. **Spitzley, L. A.***, Pentland, S. J., Dorn, B., Walls, B. and Burgoon, J.K. (2018). Using multimodal data to infer group dynamics in an adversarial group game. In IEEE International Carnahan Conference on Security Technology, Montreal, QC, 2018.
- 3. Twyman, N. W.*, Pentland, S. J., **Spitzley, L. A**. (2018). Deception detection in online, automated job interviews. International Conference on HCI in Business, Government, and Organizations. 206-216. July 15, 2018. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- 4. Burgoon, J. K.*, Mayew, W. J., Giboney, J. S., Elkins, A., Moffitt, K., **Spitzley, L**. **A.**, Byrd, M., et al. (2014). Applying linguistic and vocalic analysis to company conference calls to detect fraud-related statements. Proceedings of the 47th Hawai'i International Conference on System Sciences.
- 5. **Spitzley, L. A.***, Kumar, A. (2013) Exploring the phenomenon of offshore vendors locating satellite offices on the premises of the client in IT and IT-enabled services outsourcing. Presented at the Global IT Management Association 2013 World Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, June 16-18, 2013
- 6. **Spitzley, L. A.***, Kumar, A. (2012) Enterprise resource planning systems in public organizations: An analysis of benefits, challenges, and critical success factors. Presented at the Global IT Management Association 2012 World Conference, Bangalore, India, June 17-19, 2012

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Deception and its Detection. Judee K. Burgoon, Norah E. Dunbar, **Lee A. Spitzley**. (2022). In M. Dehghani & R. L. Boyd (Eds.), *The Atlas of Language in Psychology* (pp. 285-303). Guilford Press.

- 2. **Spitzley**, **L. A.** (2021). Incremental information in narrative financial disclosures: Differences between fraudulent and non-fraudulent firms. In: *Detecting Trust and Deception in Group Interaction*. Springer.
- 3. Steven J. Pentland, **Lee A. Spitzley**, Xunyu Chen, Rebecca Wang, Judee Burgoon, Jay Nunamaker. (2021). Behavioral indicators of dominance in an adversarial group negotiation game. In: *Detecting trust and deception in group interaction. Springer*.

POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- * Presenting Author
- 1. **Lee Spitzley**, Steve Pentland, Jay Nunamaker, Judee Burgoon, Xunyu Chen*, Rebecca Wang. (2020). Analyzing Face-to-Face Multicultural Group Communication with Computational Linguistics and Vocalics: Procedures, Results and Implications for Future Research Indicators. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS). Maui, HI. *CAST: Credibility and Screening Technologies Symposium*. January 7-8, 2020.
- 2. **Lee Spitzley*,** Judee Burgoon, Steve Pentland, Rebecca Wang, Tina Ge, Xunyu Chen. (2019). Analyzing Face-to-Face Multicultural Group Communication with Computational Linguistics: Procedures, Results and Implications for Future Research Indicators. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Maui, HI. *CAST: Credibility Assessment and Screening Technologies Symposium.* January 8-9, 2019.
- 3. **Lee Spitzley***, Steve Pentland, Jay Nunamaker, Xunyu Chen. (2019). Speech transcription for large groups. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Maui, HI. *CAST: Credibility Assessment and Screening Technologies Symposium.* January 8-9, 2019.
- 4. **Lee Spitzley***. (2018). Manager-analyst interactions in fraudulent earnings calls. Annual Symposium on Information Assurance. Albany, NY. June 5-6, 2018.
- 5. **Lee Spitzley***. (2018). Do financial analysts sense fraud? Evidence of suspicion in earnings calls. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Big Island, HI. *CAST: Credibility Assessment and Screening Technologies Symposium*. January 3-4, 2018.
- 6. **Lee Spitzley**, Bradley Dorn*, Jay Nunamaker, Steven Pentland, Bradley Walls, Matt Giles, Becky Ford, VS Subrahmanian. (2018). Unanticipated Issues and Lessons Learned Studying Socio-Cultural Attitudinal Networks. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Big Island, HI. *CAST: Credibility Assessment and Screening Technologies Symposium*. January 3-4, 2018.
- 7. Steve Pentland*, **Lee Spitzley**, Nathan Twyman. (2018). Deception and exaggeration in online, automated job interviews. Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (HICSS), Big Island, HI. *CAST: Credibility Assessment and Screening Technologies Symposium*. January 3-4, 2018.
- 8. **Lee Spitzley***. (2017). Data collection and logistics in the Mafia game. Annual stakeholder meeting for SCAN: Socio-Cultural Attitudinal Networks. October 4, 2017. College Park, MD.
- 9. **Lee Spitzley***. (2016) Incremental information disclosure in financial reporting: Differences between fraudulent and non-fraudulent companies. Graduate and Professional Student Council Student Showcase. February 24, 2016. Tucson, AZ.
- 10. **Lee Spitzley***. (2014) Predicting fraud from quarterly conference calls: A small sample study of scripted language. Americas Conference on Information Systems. August 7-9, 2014. Savannah, GA.

INVITED TALKS

- Lee Spitzley. Analyst language in quarterly earnings calls: Comparing interactions with fraudulent and non-fraudulent managers. MIS Speaker Series at the University of Arizona. Presented on November 4th, 2016 in Tucson, AZ
- 2. **Lee Spitzley**. Analyst language in quarterly earnings calls: Comparing interactions with fraudulent and non-fraudulent managers. INFORMS 2016 Annual Meeting. Nashville, TN.

GRANTS

- 1. May 2020, \$5,855. Improving job interview performance with real-time behavioral analytics. University at Albany Faculty Research Award Program Category A (FRAP-A). *Competitive at the university level.*
- 2. April 2017, \$750. University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant.
- 3. May 2016, \$1749. University of Arizona Center for Leadership Ethics Research Grant. Project title: "Analyst Language as an Indicator of Financial Fraud"
- 4. December 2015, \$545. University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant.
- 5. May 2015, \$40,000. Center for Identification Technology Research (CITeR) grant, Co-PI. Project title: "The effect of perceived surveillance on voluntary disclosure."
- 6. January 2015, \$500. University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Research and Project Grant. Project title: "Information disclosure in fraudulent companies: A study of language similarity between earnings calls and financial statements". Award number RSRCH-414FY15.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- 1. May 2023. University at Albany School of Business Elite Publication Award for "Non-invasive measures of trust in group interactions".
- 2. August 2016. AMCIS Doctoral Consortium Participant. San Diego, CA.
- 3. March 2016. Department of Homeland Security Career Development Grant. \$1,375.

RESEARCH POSITIONS

Center for the Management of Information

Research Associate (August 2012 – present)

• Contribute to grant-funded research related to deception detection, sensor technologies, and human-computer interaction.

National Center for Border Security and Immigration (BORDERS)

Research Associate (August 2012 – August 2018)

• Developed and conducted research at the US-Mexico border. Awarded \$455,000 in funding from the Department of Homeland Security to study unauthorized border crossings in 2016-2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University at Albany, SUNY – Digital Forensics Undergraduate

BFOR 200: Cybersecurity for Business

• Fall 2019 - present

BFOR 203: Networking & Cryptography

• Fall 2018, Fall 2019

BFOR 206: Programming for Security Analytics

• Spring 2019 - present

University at Albany, SUNY - Digital Forensics Undergraduate/Graduate Combined

BFOR 416/516: Advanced Data Analysis

• Spring 2019 - present

University of Arizona – MISonline Master's Program

MIS 545: Data Mining for Business Intelligence

University of Arizona – Upper Division Undergraduate

MIS 304: Using and Managing Information Systems

MIS 307: Business Data Communications

MIS 373: Basic Operations Management

University of Arizona – Teaching Assistant

Web Mining, MS in MIS program

Project Execution and Presentation, MS in MIS program

Business Data Communications, Upper division undergraduate

Central Michigan University – Graduate Assistant

Finance & Law Department

Real Estate Finance Program

Health Administration Division of the College of Health Professions

SERVICE

University

• Senator, University at Albany. Member of the Committee on Academic Freedom, Freedom of Expression, and Community Responsibility (CAFFECOR)

Session Chair

• Intelligent Applications in Social Media Analytics, INFORMS 2016

Reviewer

- Journal of Management Information Systems (2014)
- International Conference on Information Systems (2015, 2017, 2019)
- Americas Conference on Information Systems (2014, 2016, 2019)
- Conference on Information Systems and Technology (2017)
- European Conference on Information Systems (2017)
- Hawaii International Conference on System Sciences (2015)
- DESRIST (2018)

Volunteer

- International Conference on Information Systems (ICIS), Fort Worth, Texas. December 2015
- University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grants judge. April 2017.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Statistical Software

• R, Stata

Data Analytics

• Python (NLTK, scikit-learn, genism), Weka, MALLET, SPSS Modeler, Gephi

Visualization

• Shiny (web graphics for R), ggplot2, ggmap, matplotlib, Tableau

Other

• Ubuntu Linux, Git, LaTeX, QuickBooks, SAP, bash

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consumers Energy (May 2011 – August 2011)

Jackson, Michigan

IT Audit and Controls

• Audited the company's financial systems for compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley regulations and verified that appropriate policies and procedures were established and being followed.

State of Michigan (March 2010 –May 2011)

Lansing, Michigan

Department of Technology, Management, and Budget

• Supported the telecommunications staff with network & telephony administration, trained co-workers in new procedures, and developed software to automate time-consuming billing processes.

ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERSHIP

- Member, Association for Information Systems
- Member, INFORMS
- President, SAP University Alliance Student User Group, Central Michigan University (2011-2012)
- Executive Board Member, College of Business Administration Graduate Student Association, Central Michigan University (2011-2012)