

# Vitae of Professor Ian Davidson

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## (A) RESEARCH INTERESTS

- ◇ **Artificial Intelligence.** Constraint programming and machine learning
- ◇ **Machine Learning.** Active learning, transfer learning, human in the loop learning, learning with constraints
- ◇ **Data Mining.** Unsupervised methods such as clustering, graph and tensor analysis with applications to neuroscience, intelligent tutoring systems and social networks.

## (B) CAREER AND TRAINING

- ◇ 2013-: **Full Professor with Tenure**, Department of Computer Science, University of California, Davis. (2008-2013 Associate Professor with Tenure), (2007-2008 Assistant Professor).
- ◇ 2002 to 2007: **Assistant Professor**, Department of Computer Science, State University of New York, NY.
- ◇ 2000 to 2002: **Technical Lead**, MineSet Machine Learning Group, Silicon Graphics (SGI), Mountain View, CA.
- ◇ 1994-2000, Monash University, Australia, Ph.D. in Computer Science, *Information Theoretic Learning - Markov Chain Monte Carlo Sampling and the Minimum Message Length Principle*

## (C) RE- SEARCH IMPACTS AND AWARD 2010-2015

- ◇ US\$3.5+ Million funding including NSF, DoD and DoE for my lab.
- ◇ DoD- Commercialization of research: i) Human Cultural Behavioral Modeling for War Games, ii) Active Transfer Learning for Intelligent Tutoring.
- ◇ Yahoo! Faculty Award, Google Research Faculty Awards
- ◇ National Science Foundation CAREER Award
- ◇ Best Paper Awards: Winner - SIAM DM 2005, IEEE ICDM 2006, Runner Up SIAM DM 2013, Top 10 - ACM KDD 2011, 2011, 2013
- ◇ Editorial Board - ACM Transactions of Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining 2010-.
- ◇ Editorial Board - Springer - Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery 2009-.
- ◇ Editorial Board - IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering, 2013-.

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LAST  
FOUR  
YEARS

### Refereed Journals

Over my career I have published 15 journal papers in premier venues such as AIJ, DMKD, TKDE, TKDD etc.

1. Walker P., Mehalick M, Glueck A., Tschiffely A., **Davidson I.**, A DECISION FRAMEWORK FOR UNDERSTANDING BLAST-INDUCED MILD TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY IN A MILITARY MEDICAL DATABASE, *The Journal of Defense Modeling and Simulation*, 2017
2. Walker P., Mehalick M, Glueck A., Tschiffely A., **Davidson I.**, APPLICATIONS OF TRANSDUCTIVE SPECTRAL GRAPH METHODS IN A MILITARY MEDICAL CONCUSSION DATABASE, *IEEE/ACM transactions on computational biology and bioinformatics* 2016.
3. Qian B., Wang X., Cao N., Jiang Y., **Davidson I.**, LEARNING MULTIPLE RELATIVE ATTRIBUTES WITH HUMANS IN THE LOOP. *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing* 23(12): 5573-5585 (2015)
4. Gilpin S., **Davidson I.**, A FLEXIBLE ILP FORMULATION FOR HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING *Artificial Intelligence Journal*, (2015)
5. Qian B., Wang X., Ye J., **Davidson I.**, A RECONSTRUCTION ERROR BASED FRAMEWORK FOR MULTI-LABEL AND MULTI-VIEW LEARNING. *IEEE Trans. Knowl. Data Eng.* 27(3): 594-607 (2015)
6. Wang X., Qian B., **Davidson I.**, ON CONSTRAINED SPECTRAL CLUSTERING AND ITS APPLICATIONS, Available at CoRR abs/1201.5338, *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 29 pages, (2015).
7. Hossain S., Ramakrishnan N., **Davidson I.**, Layne T. Watson: How to “alternatize” a clustering algorithm. *Data Min. Knowl. Discov.* 27(2): 193-224 (2013)
8. Chattopadhyay R., Wang Z, Fan W., **Davidson I.**, Panchanathan S., Ye J., BATCH MODE ACTIVE SAMPLING BASED ON MARGINAL PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION MATCHING. *TKDD* 7(3): 13 (2013)
9. Rita Chattopadhyay, Qian Sun, Wei Fan, **Ian Davidson**, Sethuraman Panchanathan, Jieping Ye: MULTISOURCE DOMAIN ADAPTATION AND ITS APPLICATION TO EARLY DETECTION OF FATIGUE. *ACM Transactions on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining* 6(4): 18 (2012)
10. Hossain M., Tadepalli S., Watson L., **Davidson I.**, Ramakrishnan N., FURTHER RESULTS ON UNIFYING DEPENDENT CLUSTERING AND DISPARATE CLUSTERING, *ACM Transactions on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 24 pages. (2013),
11. Hossain M., Tadepalli S., Watson L., **Davidson I.**, Ramakrishnan N., HOW TO ALTERNATIZE A CLUSTERING ALGORITHM, , *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 31 pages. (2013).

12. Chattopadhyay R., Ye J., Panchanathan S., Fan W., **Davidson I.**, MULTI-SOURCE DOMAIN ADAPTATION AND ITS APPLICATION TO EARLY DETECTION OF FATIGUE, *ACM Transactions of Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 31 pages. (2013).
13. **Davidson I.**, Gilpin S. and Walker P. MINING BEHAVIORAL EVENT DATA, , *Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*, 21 pages. In Press. (2012)

### Refereed Conferences

The premier conferences in my area are ACM KDD and AAAI/IJCAI. I have 19 publications and 12 publications in these venues respectively. Other top tier venues include IEEE ICDM, SIAM DM and CIKM and I have a further 25 publications in these venues. Below are the conference publications in the last four years.

14. Chia-Tung Kuo, S.S. Ravi, C. Vrain, Thi-Bich-Hanh Dao, **Ian Davidson**, A FRAMEWORK FOR CLUSTER MODIFICATION USING CONSTRAINT PROGRAMMING. AAAI 2017
15. Aubrey Gress, **Ian Davidson**: PROBABILISTIC FORMULATIONS OF REGRESSION WITH MIXED GUIDANCE. IEEE ICDM 2016
16. Thi-Bich-Hanh Dao, Christel Vrain, Khanh-Chuong Duong, **Ian Davidson**, A FRAMEWORK FOR ACTIONABLE CLUSTERING USING CONSTRAINT PROGRAMMING. ECAI 2016: 453-461
17. Chia-Tung Kuo, **Ian Davidson**, A FRAMEWORK FOR OUTLIER DESCRIPTION USING CONSTRAINT PROGRAMMING. AAAI 2016: 1237-1243
18. Xiang Li, Milad Makkie, Binbin Lin, Mojtaba Sedigh Fazli, **Ian Davidson**, Jieping Ye, Tianming Liu, Shannon Quinn: SCALABLE FAST RANK-1 DICTIONARY LEARNING FOR FMRI BIG DATA ANALYSIS. KDD 2016: 511-519
19. Shuo Zhou, Nguyen Xuan Vinh, James Bailey, Yunzhe Jia, **Ian Davidson**, ACCELERATING ONLINE CP DECOMPOSITIONS FOR HIGHER ORDER TENSORS. KDD 2016: 1375-1384
20. Buyue Qian, Xiang Wang, **Ian Davidson**: PROPAGATING RANKING FUNCTIONS ON A GRAPH: ALGORITHMS AND APPLICATIONS. AAAI 2015: 1833-1839
21. Peter B. Walker, Sean Gilpin, Sidney G. Fooshee, **Ian Davidson**: CONSTRAINED TENSOR DECOMPOSITION VIA GUIDANCE: INCREASED INTER AND INTRA-GROUP RELIABILITY IN FMRI ANALYSES. HCI (15) 2015: 361-369
22. Aubrey Gress, **Ian Davidson**: ACCURATE ESTIMATION OF GENERALIZATION PERFORMANCE FOR ACTIVE LEARNING. ICDM 2015: 131-140

23. Chia-Tung Kuo, Xiang Wang, Peter B. Walker, Owen T. Carmichael, Jieping Ye, **Ian Davidson**: UNIFIED AND CONTRASTING CUTS IN MULTIPLE GRAPHS: APPLICATION TO MEDICAL IMAGING SEGMENTATION. KDD 2015: 617-626
24. Sen Yang, Qian Sun, Shuiwang Ji, Peter Wonka, **Ian Davidson**, Jieping Ye: STRUCTURAL GRAPHICAL LASSO FOR LEARNING MOUSE BRAIN CONNECTIVITY. KDD 2015: 1385-1394
25. Peter B. Walker, **Ian Davidson**: LEARNING AUTOMATED AGENTS FROM HISTORICAL GAME DATA VIA TENSOR DECOMPOSITION. SBP 2015: 213-221
26. Peter B. Walker, Sidney G. Fooshee, **Ian Davidson**: COMPLEX INTERACTIONS IN SOCIAL AND EVENT NETWORK ANALYSIS. SBP 2015: 440-445
27. Chia-Tung Kuo, James Bailey, **Ian Davidson**: A FRAMEWORK FOR SIMPLIFYING TRIP DATA INTO NETWORKS VIA COUPLED MATRIX FACTORIZATION. SDM 2015: 739-747
28. Aubrey Gress, **Ian Davidson**: A FLEXIBLE FRAMEWORK FOR PROJECTING HETEROGENEOUS DATA. CIKM 2014: 1169-1178
29. Chia-Tung Kuo, Peter B. Walker, Owen T. Carmichael, **Ian Davidson**: SPECTRAL CLUSTERING FOR MEDICAL IMAGING. ICDM 2014: 887-892
30. Fei Wang, Ping Zhang, Buyue Qian, Xiang Wang, **Ian Davidson**: CLINICAL RISK PREDICTION WITH MULTILINEAR SPARSE LOGISTIC REGRESSION. KDD 2014: 145-154
31. Xiang Wang, Jun Wang, Buyue Qian, Fei Wang, **Ian Davidson**: SELF-TAUGHT SPECTRAL CLUSTERING VIA CONSTRAINT AUGMENTATION. SDM 2014: 416-424
32. Chia-Tung Kuo, **Ian Davidson**: DIRECTED INTERPRETABLE DISCOVERY IN TENSORS WITH SPARSE PROJECTION. SDM 2014: 848-856
33. Sean Gilpin, Siegfried Nijssen, Ian N. Davidson: FORMALIZING HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING AS INTEGER LINEAR PROGRAMMING. AAAI 2013
34. Weifeng Zhi, Xiang Wang, Buyue Qian, Patrick Butler, Naren Ramakrishnan, **Ian Davidson**: CLUSTERING WITH COMPLEX CONSTRAINTS - ALGORITHMS AND APPLICATIONS. AAAI 2013
35. Sean Gilpin, Buyue Qian, **Ian Davidson**: EFFICIENT HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING OF LARGE HIGH DIMENSIONAL DATASETS. CIKM 2013: 1371-1380

36. Henry L. Phillips, Peter B. Walker, Carrie H. Kennedy, Owen T. Carmichael, Ian N. Davidson: GUIDED LEARNING ALGORITHMS: AN APPLICATION OF CONSTRAINED SPECTRAL PARTITIONING TO FUNCTIONAL MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING (FMRI). HCI (24) 2013: 709-716
37. Shayok Chakraborty, Jiayu Zhou, Vineeth Nallure Balasubramanian, Sethuraman Panchanathan, **Ian Davidson**, Jieping Ye: ACTIVE MATRIX COMPLETION. ICDM 2013: 81-90
38. Buyue Qian, Xiang Wang, Jun Wang, Hongfei Li, Nan Cao, Weifeng Zhi, **Ian Davidson**: FAST PAIRWISE QUERY SELECTION FOR LARGE-SCALE ACTIVE LEARNING TO RANK. ICDM 2013: 607-616
39. Rita Chattopadhyay, Wei Fan, **Ian Davidson**, Sethuraman Panchanathan, Jieping Ye: JOINT TRANSFER AND BATCH-MODE ACTIVE LEARNING. ICML (3) 2013: 253-261
40. Buyue Qian, Xiang Wang, Fei Wang, Hongfei Li, Jieping Ye, **Ian Davidson**: ACTIVE LEARNING FROM RELATIVE QUERIES. IJCAI 2013
41. Sean Gilpin, Tina Eliassi-Rad, Ian N. Davidson: GUIDED LEARNING FOR ROLE DISCOVERY (GLRD): FRAMEWORK, ALGORITHMS, AND APPLICATIONS. KDD 2013: 113-121
42. Ian N. Davidson, Sean Gilpin, Owen T. Carmichael, Peter B. Walker: NETWORK DISCOVERY VIA CONSTRAINED TENSOR ANALYSIS OF FMRI DATA. KDD 2013: 194-202
43. **Qian, B., Davidson I.**, ACTIVE LEARNING TO RANK USING PAIRWISE SUPERVISION, SIAM DM, 2013 .
44. **Wang, X., Qian, B., Davidson I.**, MULTI-OBJECTIVE MULTI-VIEW SPECTRAL CLUSTERING VIA PARETO OPTIMIZATION,, SIAM DM, 2013 .
45. Wang, X., Qian, B., **Davidson I.**, IMPROVING DOCUMENT CLUSTERING USING AUTOMATED MACHINE TRANSLATION, ACM CIKM, 2012
46. Wang, X., Qian, B., **Davidson I.**, A UNIFIED VIEW OF LABEL PROPAGATION AND SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION, IEEE ICDM, 2012
47. **Davidson I.**, TWO APPROACHES TO UNDERSTANDING WHEN CONSTRAINTS HELP CLUSTERING, KDD, 2012.
48. Chattopadhyay R., Ye J., Panchanathan S., Fan W., **Davidson I.**, BATCH MODE ACTIVE SAMPLING BASED ON MARGINAL PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION MATCHING, KDD, 2012.

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RELEVANT  
AI/DM/ML  
ACTIVE  
GRANTS

- ◇ Yahoo! Research Award: Transfer Learning to Rank with a Human in the Loop (2015-)  
Role: Single PI. A key problem of Yahoo! is annotating documents with relevance to a topic. We learn multiple ranking functions simultaneously to achieve this aim. Total Gift Amount: \$50,000
- ◇ NSF: IIS Discovering Functional Networks in Medical Imaging (2015-)  
Role: PI. The use of spectral graph and tensor decomposition methods to analyze networks in brain data. Total Amount \$499,999, my lab \$300,000
- ◇ ONR: Phase 1 & 2 : Active Transfer Learning for Intelligent Tutoring Systems (2017-2019)  
Role: PI of Educational Institution. The application of active and transfer learning to intelligent tutoring systems. Total Amount \$1,200,000 (my sub-award of \$590,000)
- ◇ ONR: Human in the Loop Learning Methods for Electronic Medical Record Analysis (2017-2019)  
Role: PI. Total Amount \$300,000
- ◇ ONR: Small World Properties in Brain Imaging Data  
Role: PI. Total Amount \$200,000
- ◇ Google Research Award: Building Hierarchies Efficiently  
Role: Single PI. A key problem of Google is building a hierarchy from unstructured documents, images, product descriptions etc. Total Gift Amount: \$100,000

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RELEVANT  
AI/DM/ML  
RECENT  
EXPIRED  
GRANTS

- ◇ Transfer Learning (2010-2016), Office of Naval Research  
Role: PI. We examine information processing for transfer learning. Total Amount: \$591,000 including \$130,000 sub-award to ASU
- ◇ NSF CAREER: Knowledge Enhanced Clustering (2008-13)  
Role: Single PI. Investigates adding domain knowledge to unsupervised learning. Total Amount: \$600,000
- ◇ Human Cultural Behavioral Modelling (2009-2014), Office of Naval Research  
Role: Single PI. A key problem of this research is to find network patterns to distinguish types of behavior. Total Amount: \$868,000