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**EDUCATION**

**Ph.D in Applied Computing** **May 2009**

University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR), Little Rock, AR  
Areas of Concentration: Information quality, Risk assessment, and Business Process Automation  
Dissertation Topic: Hybrid Matching and Risk Assessment of Misspelled Names  
Advisor: Dr. Coskun Bayrak

**M.S. in Engineering** **May 2005**

Lane Department of Computer Science & Electrical Eng., West Virginia University (WVU), Morgantown, WV  
Areas of Concentration: Software Architecture, Software Metrics, Error Propagation  
Advisor: Dr. Bojan Cukic

**B.S. in Computer Science** **June 2002**

Firat University, Elazig, TURKEY

**CURRENT POSITION AND AFFILIATION**

**Assistant Professor** **August 2009 – Present**

Computer Science Department, College of Sciences, Sam Houston State University

- COSC 1436 (Programming Fundamentals I) F'09, S'10, F'10, S'11, F'11, F'12
- COSC 4319 (Software Engineering) F'10
- COSC and DFSC 4340 (Special Topics) F'12
- COSC 5325 (Operating System Security) S'12
- COSC and DFSC 5340 (Special Topics) S'13
- COSC 6319 (Software Engineering) S'10
- DFSC 1317 (Intro to Digital Forensics / Information Assurance) F'10, F'11
- DFSC 3320 (Digital Forensics Tools) S'11, S'12, S'13
- DFSC 6335 (Disaster Recovery) Summer'10, Summer'11
- DFSC 5335 (Risk Assessment & Financial System Security) S'13

**PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

**Teaching Assistant** **August 2006 – May 2009**

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, Arkansas

*Courses:* Principles of Information Quality, Information Quality Tools, Object Oriented Programming, and Software Engineering

**Research Investigator** **October 2005 – August 2006**

Acxiom Laboratory for Applied Research (ALAR), Little Rock, Arkansas

*Preparation of Customer Data for BCDI Processing*

-Identified approaches and developed prototypes to drive more automation and efficiency into the creation of BCDI workflows that control data processing in the Acxiom data warehouse and grid.

**Research Assistant** **August 2004 – January 2006**

Applied Computing Department, UALR, Little Rock, Arkansas

*Designing a Batch CDI Flow Generator*

-Managed eight graduate level students to implement an automatic flow generator to Acxiom Corporation's Customer Data Integration System and applied information retrieval techniques to provide customer expectations from misspelled information.

#### **Research Assistant**

**June 2004 – August 2004**

Applied Computing Department, UALR, Little Rock, Arkansas

*3D Modeling and Simulation of Urodynamics*

-Developed 3D modeling and visualization of Urinary System and showing the Stress Incontinence during coughing

#### **Research Assistant**

**August 2002 – August 2003**

Lane Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering, WVU, Morgantown, WV

*Software Architecture Metrics*

-Led software developer on a NASA sponsored software architectural metrics project. The work involved focusing on error and change propagation to define and validate a set of architectural metrics for assessing quality of software architectures.

### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Awarded a Certificate of Honor from the Balakgazi High School due to graduated as the top of the Students with Honor Grade
- Graduated as the best student (top GPA) from Computer Science Department, Elazig, Turkey

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

- Journal Editor, Advances in Information Sciences and Service Sciences, An International Journal of Research and Innovation
- Journal Editor, International Journal of Information Processing and Management
- Journal Editor, International Journal of Intelligent Information Processing
- Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of Data and Information Quality
- Manuscript Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Automation Science and Engineering
- Manuscript Reviewer, The International Journal of Business Innovation and Research
- Program Committee Member, 4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Data Mining and Intelligent Information Technology Applications (ICMIA 2012), October 23-25, 2012, Taipei, Taiwan
- Program Committee Member, 17h North-East Asia Symposium on Nano, Information Technology and Reliability (NASNIT 2012), October 23-25, 2012, Taipei, Taiwan
- Program Committee Member, 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on New Trends in Information Science, Service Science and Data Mining (ISSDM 2012), October 23-25, 2012, Taipei, Taiwan
- Program Committee Member, 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Advance Information Management and Service, (ICIMP 2012), September 18-20, 2012, Kyoto, Japan
- Program Committee Member, 6<sup>th</sup> International Advanced Technologies Symposium, (IATS 2011), May 16-18, 2011, Elazig, Turkey

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- IEEE Member
- ICGST Academic Member

### **SERVICES FOR THE UNIVERSITY**

- Distance Education Committee Member

**October 2011 – Present**

### **SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT**

- CS Faculty Search Committee Member

**September 2012 - Present**

- CS Graduate Curriculum Committee Member
- CS Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Member
- CS Scholarship Committee Member

**February 2012 – Present**  
**September 2009 – Present**  
**September 2009 – Present**

## **ADVISING ACTIVITIES (Sam Houston State University)**

### **M.S. Project Chair**

- Sridvya Penmetsa (Computer Science), “Differentiating The Accuracy Problems in a Dataset:”, To graduate Spring 2013
- Sairam Hari (Computer Science), “A Hybrid Approach for Detection of Near Duplicates in Web Pages”, Graduated Fall 2012
- Garrett Calpouzos (Digital Forensics), “Steganography with open source audio codec for use in VoIP”, Graduated Summer 2012
- Alejandro Villegas (Information Assurance), “CVOIP-FRU: Comprehensive VoIP Forensics Report Utility”, Graduated Spring 2012
- Kishore Shimikeri (Computer Science), “Parts Based Image Recognition Model- Finding Waldo”. Graduated Spring 2011
- Sandeep Naidu (Computer Science), “Generating a Panoramic View with Using SIFT and RanSac”. Graduated Fall 2010
- Revathi Kanna (Computer Science), “Content based Information Retrieval using CMD”. Graduated Fall 2010
- Henry Neumann (Computer Science), “Real-Time Quality of Service Monitoring for Information Quality Products”. Graduated Spring 2010

## **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

### **Awarded:**

PI: Cihan Varol,

**June 2012 - September 2012**

“Three Dimensional Modeling and Simulation of Stress Incontinence”

Sam Houston State University Competitive Intramural Faculty Research Grant (FRG)

Amount \$5,000

PI: Cihan Varol, Co-PI (Gary Smith)

**June 2010 – May 2011**

“Detecting Illusive Records within Law Enforcement Database”

Sam Houston State University Competitive Intramural Enhancement Research Grant (ERG)

Amount \$13,363

### **In Preparation:**

PI: Cihan Varol

“REU Site: Undergraduate Research Experience in Information Assurance”

NSF: Research Experiences for Undergraduates

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Book Chapter:**

[1] **VAROL, C.**, BAYRAK, C., WAGNER R., GOFF, D., “Application of Near Miss Strategy and Edit Distance to Handle Dirty Data”, *Data Engineering: Mining, Information and Intelligence*, pp 91-101, Springer, ISBN: 978-1-4419-0175-0, 2010

### **Journal Papers:**

[1] **VAROL, C.**, BAYRAK, C., "Hybrid Matching Algorithm for Personal Names" *ACM Journal of Data and Information Quality (ACM JDIQ)*, Volume 3, Issue 4, Article No: 8, September 2012, doi>10.1145/2348828.2348830

- [2] VAROL, C., NEUMANN, H., "Real-Time Data Quality Monitoring System for Data Cleansing", *International Journal of Business Intelligence Research*, Volume 3, Issue 1, January 2012, pp. 83-93, ISSN: 1947-3591
- [3] NUTHAKKI, M. K., METE, M., VAROL, C., SUH, S. C., "UXSOM: UML Generated XML to Software Metrics" *ACM SIGSOFT Software Engineering Notes*, Vol. 36 Issue 3, May 2011, pp. 1-6, ISSN: 0163-5948
- [4] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Estimation of Quality of Service in Spelling Correction using Kullback-Leibler divergence" *Elsevier: Expert Systems with Application*, Volume 38, Issue 5, May 2011, Pages 6307-6312 (**Impact Factor: 3.162**)
- [5] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Risk Assessment of Error-Prone Personal Information in Data Quality Tools" *Journal of Computers, Academy Publisher*, Volume 6, No 2, February 2011, ISSN 1796-203X
- [6] VAROL, C., STAFFORD B., KOVVURI, K., CHITTI, R. "Author Disambiguation using an Hybrid Approach of Queries and String Matching Techniques" *IJIP: International Journal of Intelligent Information Processing*, Vol. 1, No. 1, pp. 3-11, 2010
- [7] COLLINS, M., REYNOLDS, C., LE, C., VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Automated data verification in a format-free environment" *ACM SIGSOFT Software Engineering Notes*, Vol. 31, Issue 2, March 2006, pp. 1-4, ISSN:0163-5948

#### Conference Publications:

- [1] MENDOZA, A., VAROL, C., "Tracking Malware using Internet Activity Data", *International Conference on Computer Science and Applications (ICSSA 12)*, October 24-26, 2012, pp. 102-105. San Francisco, California, USA
- [2] VAROL, C., "Dynamic Job Scheduling in Multilayer Grid Networks", *International Conference on Systems Engineering and Engineering Management (ICSEEM 12)*, October 24-26, 2012, pp. 1449-1452. San Francisco, California, USA
- [3] VAROL, C., "Pattern Matching Techniques: A Survey Study Conducted on Social Security Numbers and Date of Births", *ICGST Conference on Computer Science and Engineering (CSE 11)*, December 19-21, 2011, Istanbul, Turkey
- [4] PAVLOCK, B., DAVENPORT, C., McDANIEL, A., CASEY, J., VAROL, C., "Address Verification and Standardization Based on Edit Distance and Soundex", *6<sup>TH</sup> International Advanced Technologies Symposium (IATS'11)*, May 16-18, 2011, Elazig, Turkey
- [5] VAROL, C., TALBURT, J., "Pattern and Phonetic Based Street Name Misspelling Correction", *8th International Conference on Information Technology: New Generations (ITNG 2011)*, pp. 553-558. April 11-13, 2011, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA
- [6] PUSHKAREV, V., NEUMANN, H., VAROL, C., TALBURT, J., "An Overview of Open Source Data Quality Tools", *The 2010 International Conference on Information and Knowledge Engineering (IKE 2010)*, July 12-15, 2010, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA
- [7] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Business Process Automation Based on Dependencies", *The Second International Conference on Information, Process, and Knowledge Management (eKNOW 2010)*, February 10-15, 2010, St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles
- [8] VAROL, C., VAROL, A., "Protection of the Private Information on Governmental Network". *International Conference eGovernment Sharing Experiences*, December 09-11, 2009, Antalya, Turkey
- [9] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Personal Name-based Pattern and Phonetic Matching Techniques: A Survey" *ALAR Conference on Applied Research in Information Technology*, February 13, 2009, Conway, Arkansas, USA
- [10] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Measuring Reliability Component for Quality of Service (QoS) in Business Process Automation", *The 14<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Distributed Multimedia Systems*, September 4-6 2008, Boston, Massachusetts, USA
- [11] VAROL, C., ROBINETTE, C., KULAGA, J., BAYRAK, C., WAGNER R., GOFF, D., "Application of Near Miss Strategy and Edit Distance to Handle Dirty Data", *ALAR Conference on Applied Research in Information Technology*, March 3, 2006, Conway, Arkansas, USA
- [12] VAROL, C., BAYRAK, C., "Applied Software Engineering Education", *ITHET 2005*, July 6-9, 2005, Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic

- [13] VAROL, C., BAYRAK C., LUDWIG, R., "Application of Software Engineering Fundamentals: A Hands of Experience", *The 2005 International Conference on Software Engineering Research and Practice*, June 27-30, 2005, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA
- [14] VAROL, C., DAS, R., DURSUN, O. O., "Software Metrics from XML and XML Metadata Interchange (XMI)", *BILTEK 2005*, June 2-4, 2005, Eskisehir, Turkey
- [15] VAROL, C., BAYRAK C., "Student Centered Software Engineering Education", *Global Educational Technology Symposium*, May 4-5, 2005, Little Rock, Arkansas, USA
- [16] VAROL, A., VAROL, C., "Distance Education Based On a Combination System of Internet and Television", *2nd International Communication in the Millennium, A Dialogue Between Turkish and American Scholars, In Cooperation with University of Texas at Austin, USA, Anadolu University and Istanbul University*, pp.671-685, March 17-19, 2004, Istanbul, Turkey,
- [17] AMMAR, H., SHERESHEVSKY, M., ABDELMOEZ, W., GUNNALAN, R., VAROL, C., "WVU UI: Software Architecture Metrics", *The OSMA Software Assurance Symposium*, July 30, 2003, Lakeview, WV, USA
- [18] DAS, R., VAROL, C., "The Importance of the Institutional Networks of distance Education and recommendations for their problems", *International Open and Distance Education Symposium*, May 23-25, 2002, Eskisehir, Turkey
- [19] VAROL, A., VAROL, C.; GUR, K.; DOGAN, S.; BULUT, M.; DEMIR, F., "Student Oriented Education Application of the Faculty of Technical Education of Firat University", *Conference on the Education in Aspect of the Information Technologies and Exhibition, BTIE 2002*, pp. 242-246, May 20-22, 2002, Ankara, Turkey
- [20] VAROL, C., "Videoconference Applications", *Conference on the Education in Aspect of the Information Technologies and Exhibition, BTIE 2002*, pp. 274-278, May 20-22, 2002, Ankara, Turkey,
- [21] DAS, R., VAROL, C., "Problems and Defined Solutions for Institutional Networks", *AB-2002 Academic Information Technology Conference*, February 6-8, 2002, Konya, Turkey
- [22] VAROL, C.: VAROL, N., "The Internet Cafes and the approach of the younger generation to the use of internet", *Conference on the Education in Aspect of the Information Technologies and Exhibition, BTIE 2001*, pp. 14-19, May 03-05, 2001, Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey,
- [23] VAROL, C., "Lifelong Education", *Conference on the Education in Aspect of the Information Technologies and Exhibition, BTIE 2000*, pp. 127-130, May 15-17, 2000, Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey
- [24] VAROL, C., "The student point of view to the computer teacher education", *Conference on the Education in Aspect of the Information Technologies and Exhibition, BTIE 1999*, pp. 105-109, May 13-15, 1999, Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey

#### **Seminars and Presentations at Conferences:**

- [1] VAROL, C., "VoIP and Digital Forensics", *Digital Forensics and Biometric Systems*, May 23, 2012, Kahramanmaraş Court House, Kahramanmaraş, Turkey
- [2] VAROL, C., "VoIP and Digital Forensics", *Digital Forensics and Biometric Systems*, May 25, 2012, Mustafa Kemal University, Hatay, Turkey
- [3] VAROL, C., "Providing QoS in Business Process Automation", *Graduate Research Forum*, April 21, 2006, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
- [4] BAYRAK, C., VAROL, C., "A Framework to Automate the Generation of BCDI Process Flows" *Acxiom Laboratory for Applied Research Conference (ALAR'06)*, March 3, 2006, Conway, AR
- [5] VAROL, C., "Batch Customer Data Integration System", *Graduate Research Forum*, April 22, 2005, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
- [6] XIAO, Z., VAROL, C., WINGNING, Li, THOMPSON C., BAYRAK, C., "Workflow Automation," *Acxiom Laboratory for Applied Research Conference (ALAR'05)*, Feb. 18, 2005, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas
- [7] VAROL, C.: "e-life" April 24, 2002, Firat University, Turkey,
- [8] VAROL, C.: "Problems of the Internet Cafes", *Informatics World*, April 26, 2001, Firat University, Turkey.

**Attended Workshops and Seminars:**

- [1] CHSS Teaching Conference, SHSU, Huntsville, TX, August 23, 2012
- [2] NSF Workshop, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX, February 18, 2011
- [3] Writing in the Disciplines Seminar, SHSU, Huntsville, TX, May 24-28, 2010
- [4] eCollege Training Workshop, SHSU, Huntsville, TX, December 18, 2009
- [5] Grant Workshop, SHSU, Huntsville, TX, November 18, 2009
- [6] CHSS Teaching Conference, SHSU, Huntsville, TX, August 21, 2009