## REFERENCES

- [1] C. Yang, R. Harkreader and G. Gu, "Empirical evaluation and new design for fighting evolving twitter spammers," *IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON INFORMATION FORENSICS AND SECURITY, VOL. 8, NO. 8, AUGUST 2013*, vol. 8, p. 14, 2013.
- [2] C. Chen, J. Zhang, Y. Xiang and W. Zhou, "Spammers Are Becoming 'Smarter' on Twitter," *https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/7436683*, vol. 18, no. 2, pp. 66 - 70, 2016.
- [3] H. Shen and X. Liu, "Detecting Spammers on Twitter Based on Content and Social Interaction," 2015 International Conference on Network and Information Systems for Computers, vol. V, p. 5, 2015.
- [4] N. eshraqi, M. Jalali and M. H. Moattar, "Detecting Spam Tweets In Twitter Using a Data Stream Clustering Algorithm," *Second International Congress on Technology, Communication and Knowledge (ICTCK 2015) November, 11-12, 201,* p. 5, 2015.
- [5] S. J. Soman, "A survey on behaviors exhibited by spammers in popular social media networks," 2016 International Conference on Circuit, Power and Computing Technologies (ICCPCT), 2016.
- [6] M. Mateen, M. A. Iqbal, M. Aleem and M. A. Islam, "A hybrid approach for spam detection for Twitter," *14th International Bhurban Conference on Applied Sciences and Technology (IBCAST)*, pp. 466-471, 2017.
- [7] K. Lee, J. Caverlee and S. Webb, "Uncovering Social Spammers: Social Honeypots +Machine Learning," *ACM SIGIR Conference (SIGIR)*, p. 8, 2010.
- [8] G. Stringhini, S. Barbara, C. Kruegel and a. G. Vigna, "Detecting Spammers On Social Networks," *Annual Computer Security Applications Conference (ACSAC'10)*, 2010.
- [9] "Twitter Policies," Twitter, [Online]. Available: https://help.twitter.com/en/using-twitter/twitter-follow-limit.
- [10] A. H. Wang, "Don't follow me: Spam detection in twitter. in Security and Cryptography (SECRYPT)," *Proceedings of the 2010 International Conference on. 2010. IEEE*, 2010.
- [11] C. Yang, R. Harkreader, J. Zhang, S. Shin and G. Gu, "Analyzing Spammers' Social Networks for Fun and Profit," *ACM New York, NY, USA* ©2012, pp. 71-80, 2012.

- [12] "Local Clustering Coefficient.," [Online]. Available: http://wikipedia.org/wiki/Clustering\_coefficient#Local\_clustering\_coefficienty.
- [13] "Betweenness Centrality," [Online]. Available: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centrality.
- [14] F. Benevenuto, G. Magno, T. Rodrigues and V. Almeida, "Detecting Spammers on Twitter," *Electronic messaging, Anti-Abuse and Spam Confference (CEAS),* 2010.
- [15] E. Lozano, J. Cedeño, G. Castillo, F. Layedra, H. Lasso and C. Vaca, "Requiem for online harassers: Identifying racism from political tweets," *2017 Fourth International Conference on eDemocracy & eGovernment (ICEDEG)*, 2017.
- [16] B. Alghamdi, J. Watson and Y. Xu, "Toward Detecting Malicious Links in Online Social Networks through User Behavior," 2016 IEEE/WIC/ACM International Conference on Web Intelligence Workshops (WIW), 2016.
- [17] I.-A. Bara, C. J. Fung and T. Dinh, "Enhancing Twitter spam accounts discovery using cross-account pattern mining," 2015 IFIP/IEEE International Symposium on Integrated Network Management (IM), 2015.
- [18] A. M. Ghate and L. G. Malik, "Survey on designing framework for analyzing twitter spammers using forensic method," *2015 International Conference on Pervasive Computing (ICPC)*, 2015.
- [19] F. Fathaliani and M. Bouguessa, "A model-based approach for identifying spammers in social networks," 2015 IEEE International Conference on Data Science and Advanced Analytics (DSAA), 2015.
- [20] C. Chen, J. Zhang, X. Chen, Y. Xiang and W. Zhou, "6 million spam tweets: A large ground truth for timely Twitter spam detection," 2015 IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC), 2015.
- [21] J. Oliver, P. Pajares, C. Ke, C. Chen and Y. Xiang, "An In-Depth Analysis of Abuse on Twitter," 2014.
- [22] M.-W. C. K. L. K. T. Jacob Devlin, "BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding," 2019.
- [23] Chi Sun, Xipeng Qiu\*, Yige Xu, Xuanjing Huang, "How to Fine-Tune BERT for Text Classification?"

- [24] Priya Dwivedi, "Real vs Fake Tweet Detection using a BERT Transformer Model in few lines of code", <u>https://becominghuman.ai/real-vs-fake-tweet-detection-using-a-bert-transformer-model-in-few-lines-of-code-ccc33ecb1a2</u>
- [25] Google-Research, "BERT", https://github.com/google-research/bert
- [26] Wikipedia, "Levenshtein Distance", https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Levenshtein\_distance
- [27] Automatically Follow Back. http://autofollowback.com
- [28] Calculate Twitter Reputation. http://www.thekirankumar.com/blog/tag/calculate-twitter-reputation/.
- [29] Capture HPC. https://projects.honeynet.org/capture-hpc
- [30] Google Safe Browsing API. http://code.google.com/apis/safebrowsing/
- [31] KOOBFACE: Inside a Crimeware Network. http://www.infowarmonitor.net/reports/iwm-koobface.pdf
- [32] Lady Gaga Falls Prey to Rogue Twitter Attack. http://mashable.com/2011/04/28/ladygaga-twitter-attack/
- [33] Purchase Twitter Friends. http://www.purchasetwitterfriends.com/
- [34] The Twitter Rules. http://help.twitter.com/entries/18311-the-twitter-rules
- [35] Twitter accounts spreading malicious code. http://www.netsecurity.org/malware\_news.php?id=1554
- [36] Twitter-based Botnet Command Channel. http://asert.arbornetworks.com/2009/08/twitter-based-botnet-command-channel/
- [37] Twitter Streaming API. https://dev.twitter.com/docs/streaming-api
- [38] Twitter vulnerability allows cyber criminals to spread spam. <u>http://www.one.com/en/web-hosting-news/website/twitter-vulnerability-allows-/cyber-criminals-to-spread-spam-links\\$800076628.htm</u>

- [39] Twitter's Following Limits. http://support.twitter.com/groups/32-something-s-notworking/topics/117-following-problems/articles/66885-i-can-t-follow-people-followlimits
- [40] H. Yu, M. Kaminsky, P. Gibbons, and A. Flaxman. SybilGuard: Defending Against Sybil Attacks via Social Networks. In Proceedings of ACM SIGCOMM Conference, 2006
- [41] T. Wang, Y. Chen, Z. Zhang, P. Sun, B. Deng, and X. Li. Unbiased Sampling in Directed Social Graph. In ACM Special Interest Group on Data Communication, (SIGCOMM'10), 2010
- [42] F. Benevenuto, T. Rodrigues, V. Almeida, J. Almeida, C. Zhang, and K. Ross. Identifying Video Spammers in Online Social Networks. In Int'l Workshop on Adversarial Information Retrieval on the Web (AirWeb'08), 2008
- [43] C. Castillo, M. Mendoza, and B. Poblete. Information Credibility on Twitter. In International World Wide Web Conference, (WWW'11), 2011
- [44] D. Pelleg and A. Moore. X-Means: Extending K-means with Efficient Estimation. In International Conference on Machine Learning, 2000
- [45] G. Salton and C. Buckley. Term-weighting approaches in automatic text retrieval. In Information Processing & Management, 1998
- [46] H. Kwak, C. Lee, H. Park, and S. Moon. What is Twitter, a Social Network or a News Media? In Int'l World Wide Web (WWW '10), 2010
- [47] J. Kleinberg. Authoritative sources in a hyperlinked environment. In Journal of the ACM, Vol.46, No. 5, pp. 604-632, 1999
- [48] F. Benevenuto, G. Magno, T. Rodrigues, and V. Almeida. Detecting Spammers on Twitter. In Collaboration, Electronic messaging, Anti-Abuse and Spam Conference (CEAS), 2010
- [49] Alexa top 500 global sites. http://www.alexa.com/topsites
- [50] Compete site comparison. http://siteanalytics.com/facebook.com+myspace.com+twitter.com/

- [51] Harris Interactive Public Relations Research. A study of social networks scams. 2008
- [52] S. Webb, J. Caverlee, , and C.Pu. Social honeypots: Making friends with a spammer near you. In Conference on Email and Anti-Spam (CEAS 2008), 2008
- [53] Honeypots. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Honeypot\\_computing
- [54] The recaptcha project. http://recaptcha.net/
- [55] J. Baltazar, J. Costoya, and R. Flores. Koobface: The largest web 2.0 botnet explained. 2009
- [56] L. Bilge, T. Strufe, D. Balzarotti, and E. Kirda. All your contacts are belong to us: Automated identity theft attacks on social networks. In World Wide Web Conference, 2009
- [57] G. Brown, T. Howe, M. Ihbe, A. Prakash, and K. Borders. Social networks and contextaware spam. In ACM Conference on Supportive Cooperative Work, 2008
- [58] T.N. Jagatic, N.A. Johnson, M. Jakobsson, and T.N. Jagatif. Social phishing. Comm. ACM, 50(10):94–100, 2007
- [59] Harris Interactive Public Relations Research. A study of social networks scams. 2008
- [60] D. Aha, D. Kibler, "Instance-based Learning Algorithms", Machine Learning, Vol 6, pp 37-66