EAGER: Defending Against Visual Cyberbullying Attacks in Emerging Mobile Social Networks

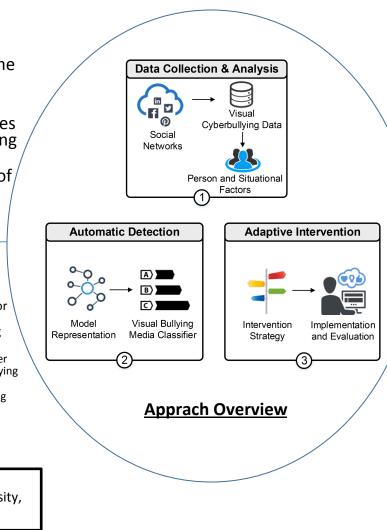
Challenge:

- Cyberbullying has become widely recognized as a serious social problem
- All state-of-the-art studies in automatic cyberbullying detection largely overlooking the misuse of visual media in cyberbullying

Solution:

- This project is designing and developing a systematic solution for automatic detection of and intervention in visual cyberbullying attacks
 - Design a cross-feature classifier for automatic visual cyberbullying detection
 - Build an adaptive cyberbullying intervention system to continuously monitor cyberbullying

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Scientific Impact:

- The new techniques developed in this project will substantially enhance the state-of-the-art defenses against cyberbullying
- The fundamental results generated by this project could be expanded to cope with other threats targeting adolescents beyond cyberbullying

Broader Impact:

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- The system designed by this project could be used to curb cyberbullying among young people and reducing the myriad harmful effects
- The proposed methods can be potentially adopted and implemented in popular mobile social network platforms to prevent visual cyberbullying
- All findings, experiments and demonstrations resulting from this project will be made publicly available to parents, educators and researchers