Kuo-Han Hung

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Education

National Taiwan University (NTU)

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING

- GPA: 4.24/4.3 overall, 4.25/4.3 in major; Ranking: 5/187 (top 2.6%).
- Awards: Bachelor Thesis Dean's Award, 3 times Dean's List Awards, 2 times Presidential Awards.

University of California, Berkeley

SUMMER SESSION PROGRAM IN THE DEPT. OF EECS

• Course: CS161 Computer Security (GPA: 4.0/4.0).

Research Experience

Robot Learning Lab

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER, ADVISOR: PROF. SHAO-HUA SUN

- Researching on task-relevant representation learning for robotics. (ongoing)
 - Developing a language-based visual encoder that generates embeddings based on the task's focus.

IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center

RESEARCH INTERN, ADVISOR: DR. PIN-YU CHEN

- Researched on prompt injection detection for LLM agent using attention. [NAACL'25]
 - Explored prompt injection attacks using explainable AI by analyzing changes in attention patterns.
 - Developed an attention-based detector with a 31% AUROC improvement over training-free methods.

Communication and Multimedia Lab

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCHER, ADVISOR: PROF. WINSTON H. HSU & PROF. YI-TING CHEN

- Researched on vision-instruction correlation rewards for long-horizon manipulation. [ICLR'25]
 - Developed a hierarchical reward model using large language models and vision language models.
 - Outperformed the previous best method in long-horizon manipulation with a 43% higher success rate.
- Researched on adaptable error detection for few-shot imitation policy. [NeurIPS'24]
 - Designed novel learning objectives that enabled the extraction of policy features to detect errors.
 - Achieved top performance in 17 out of 21 testing cases compared to strong baselines.

Machine Intelligence and Understanding Lab

Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Prof. Yun-Nung Chen

- Benchmarked multi-source retrieval and reasoning in visual guestion answering. [under review]
- Researched on open-domain conversational questions, answering using historical answers. [AACL'22]
 - Employed knowledge distillation to enhance the efficacy of retrieving passages using historical replies.
 - Achieved state-of-the-art performance in open-domain conversational retrieval with 77.9 (R@5).

Selected Publications (*co-authorship) _

- K. H. Hung*, P. C. Lo*, J. F. Yeh*, H. Y. Hsu, Y. T. Chen, and W. H. Hsu, "VICtoR: Learning Hierarchical Vision-Instruction [1]Correlation Rewards for Long-horizon Manipulation." The 13th International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2025. [PDF]
- [2] J. F. Yeh, K. H. Hung*, P. C. Lo*, C. M. Chung, T. H. Wu, H. T. Su, Y. T. Chen, and W. H. Hsu, "AED: Adaptable Error Detection for Few-shot Imitation Policy." The 38th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2024. [PDF]
- K. H. Hung, C. Y. Ko, A. Rawat, I. H. Chung, W. H. Hsu, and P. Y. Chen, "Attention Tracker: Detecting Prompt Injection Attacks [3] in LLMs." Annual Conference of the Nations of the Americas Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (NAACL), 2025. [PDF]
- K. H. Hung, C. Zhang, and D. Yankov, "Customizable Routing with Learning from Past Recommendations." The 32nd [4] International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (SIGSPATIAL), 2024. [PDF]
- H. C. Fang*, K. H. Hung*, C. W. Huang, and Y. N. Chen, "Open-Domain Conversational Question Answering with Historical [5] Answers." The 2nd Asian Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (AACL), 2022. [PDF]

Taipei, Taiwan Sept. 2020 - Dec. 2024 (expected)

> California, USA June 2022 - Aug. 2022

> > Taipei, Taiwan Oct. 2024 – Present

New York, USA June 2024 - Sept. 2024

Taipei, Taiwan

Feb. 2022 - June 2024

Taipei, Taiwan

Feb. 2022 - June 2024

Work Experience

Microsoft, Bing Team

Applied Scientist Intern

- Integrated Bing Maps with Microsoft Copilot to create an enriched experience for conversational map queries.
- Developed a novel pathfinding algorithm that learns from history, achieving a 10x speedup. [SIGSPATIAL'24]
- Invented and evaluated a context-aware map search system using LLMs. [SIGSPATIAL'24]

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Deep Learning Intern

• Developed and implemented the first image driven recipe retrieval model with adaptable ingredients, along with a cross modal retrieval system featuring a vision-ingredients seq2seq architecture.

Courtero

Founding Member & Full-stack Developer

- Developed map and rating systems for the Courtero app using React Native and Firebase.
- Partnered with students from Harvard and UIUC, gaining acceptance into the Harvard Innovation Labs.

Honors & Awards

ept. 2024
lov. 2023
ept. 2022
une 2024
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une 2023
une 2023
une 2022
ec. 2021

Leadership and Activities

Creativity and Entrepreneurship Program, NTU D-School

Team Leader

- Developed and presented detailed business plans for a startup specializing in AI-driven recruitment solutions, incorporating market analysis, financial projections, and go-to-market strategies.
- Awarded the Excellence Award (top 3 out of 10+ teams) in the 2023 class of D-School.

NTU Google Developer Student Club

Co-Founder & Academic Instructor

- Expanded the club from 3 to over 70 members by planning, structuring operations, and designing coursework.
- Initiated and led a 20-person study group to develop AI kidney disease management, achieving first place in Taiwan in the Google Solution Challenge.

Selected Projects_

VULNERABILITIES IN VLM-POWERED POLICIES [Slide]

• Developed a text and image-based adversarial attack method to manipulate embodied AI behavior, achieving a 40% increase in targeted attack success on VLM-powered policy networks.

ZERO-SHOT TEXT BEHAVIOR RETRIEVAL [Report]

• Proposed a zero-shot behavior retrieval system using text-guided object detection and CLIP to retrieve task-relevant data from offline datasets, enabling policy training without expert data.

Teaching Experience

TEACHER ASSISTANT, CSIE1000 INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER SCIENCE

• Developed assignments and led weekly TA sessions to reinforce students' understanding across major CS fields.

TEACHER ASSISTANT, CSIE5043 MACHINE LEARNING (GRADUATE LEVEL)

- Designed and implemented advanced machine learning assignments on VC dimension and SVM.
- Organized a final project competition focused on music recommendation systems using tabular data.

Taipei, Taiwan

Sept. 2022 – June 2023

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July 2023 - June 2024

Remote (team in California, USA)

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