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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

I am broadly interested in **optimization** and **machine learning**. My current research focuses on developing theoretical foundations for **trustworthy machine learning** and practical algorithms for **neural network robustness verification**.

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois Urbana Champaign (UIUC)	Champaign, IL
Doctor of Philosophy – Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)	Aug. 2021 – Present
Advisor: Richard Yi Zhang.	
National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU)	Hsinchu, Taiwan
Bachelor of Science in Electronics Engineering	Sep. 2016 – Jun. 2020

#### RESEARCH & WORK EXPERIENCE

UIUC Coordinated Science Lab	Champaign, IL
Research Assistant (half-time). Supervisor: Prof. Richard Yi Zhang.	Aug. 2021 – Present
NYCU Artificial Intelligence and Multimedia Lab	Hsinchu, Taiwan
Research Assistant (full-time). Supervisor: Prof. Wen-Huang Cheng.	Jul. 2020 – Feb. 2021
USC Signal Transformation, Analysis and Compression Group	Los Angeles, CA
Summer Research. Supervisor: Prof. Antonio Ortega & Prof. Carrson C. Fung	Jul. 2019 – Aug. 2019

# PUBLICATIONS (Paper and source code are available on <a href="https://hong-ming.github.io/#mypublications">https://hong-ming.github.io/#mypublications</a>)

- [1] Gavin Zhang, **Hong-Ming Chiu** and Richard Y. Zhang. "Fast and Minimax Optimal Estimation of Low-Rank Matrices via Non-Convex Gradient Descent." arXiv preprint.
- [2] **Hong-Ming Chiu** and Richard Y. Zhang. "Tight Certification of Adversarially Trained Neural Networks via Nonconvex Low-Rank Semidefinite Relaxations." 2023 International Conference on Machine Learning.
- [3] Gavin Zhang, **Hong-Ming Chiu** and Richard Y. Zhang. "Accelerating SGD for Highly Ill-Conditioned Huge-Scale Online Matrix Completion." 2022 Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems.
- [4] **Hong-Ming Chiu**, Carrson C. Fung and Antonio Ortega, "Graph Learning and Augmentation Based Interpolation of Signal Strength for Location-Aware Communications," 2020 European Signal Processing Conference.
- [5] **Hong-Ming Chiu**, Kuan-Chih Lin and Tian Sheuan Chang, "Run Time Adaptive Network Slimming for Mobile Environments," 2019 IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems.

# SELECTED TALKS

2023 **Neural Network Certification via Nonconvex Low-Rank Semidefinite Relaxations:** Minisymposium on Algorithms and Applications of Large-Scale SDPs, SIAM Conference on Optimization. Seattle, WA. June 3.

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2024 ICLR Paper Reviewer. Vienna, Austria. May 11.
- 2024 **AISTATS** Paper Reviewer. Valencia, Spain. May 4.
- 2023 NeurIPS Paper Reviewer. New Orleans, LA. December 10.
- 2023 ICML Paper Reviewer. Honolulu, HI. July 23.
- 2023 AISTATS Paper Reviewer. Valencia, Spain. April 25.
- 2022 NeurIPS Paper Reviewer. New Orleans, LA. November 28.
- 2020 ACM Multimedia Paper Reviewer. Seattle, WA. October 12.