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Education

M.S. in Music Technology, Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

• Relevant courses: Audio Content Analysis, Machine Learning, Interactive Music

B.S. in Electrical Engineering, National Cheng Kung University (NCKU), Taiwan

UW-Madison Exchange Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA

• Relevant course: Software Engineering

Work Experience

Research Engineer at Bytedance

2022 - Present

Responsible for multitask learning framework for jointly learning multiple MIR tasks

Research Intern at Bytedance

2020 Summer

- Building new machine learning system for music structure analysis, detection and segmentation.
- Research on beat/downbeat detection by using transformer

Audio Algorithm Intern at Netflix

2020 Fall

- Researched on automatic speech/music detection, and speech/music separation.
- Building new large-scale datasets for TV shows' audio

Research Assistant at Georgia Institute of Technology

2019 - present

• Researched on incorporating musical score with deep learning methods for the objective assessment of music performance.

Research Intern at Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories (MERL)

2020 Summer

• Research on using adversarial training and musical score information for weakly-supervised music source separation.

Research Assistant at Academia Sinica, the National Academy of Taiwan

2017 - 2019

- Researched on deep learning algorithm with Pytorch and Tensorflow for automatic music classification/auto-tagging, music transcription and music generation.
- Presented at three conferences, several seminar talks, and one invited talk at the 6th Taiwanese Music and Audio Computing workshop.

Research Assistant in the Industrial Collaboration program with KKBOX Inc

2017 - 2019

- Collaborated with KKBOX's, the largest online music streaming company in Taiwan, on two projects: music recommendation and AI music creation.
- Analyzed large-scale audio and lyrics dataset with Python framework. (Numpy, Scikit-learn, etc).
- Researched on machine learning models to improve automatic music classification.

Software Engineer Intern at Amy.app, a New Zealand based online AI tutoring company

2019 Summer

- Researched on machine learning methods with Python and Pytorch to automatically solve junior and senior high school math questions.
- Developed typescript algorithm for multi-language feedback generation.

Languages

Machine Learning Language: Python

Tools: PyTorch, Pytorch-lightning, TFLearn, Numpy, Scikit-learn, Matplotlib, Librosa

Web & Applications Language: HTML, Javascript, CSS, Typescript, PHP, SQL, Java, Object-C

Tools: Ionic, Unity

Musical Tools Sonic Visualiser, Max/MSP, FFmpeg

Others Git, Linux. Latex

Spoken Chinese (mother tongue), English (fluent), Taiwanese (listen), Spanish (read & listen)

Academic Experience

Peer-reviewed Publications

- [1] **Hung, Y. N.**, Wang, J. C., Song, X., Lu, W. T., & Won, M., "Modeling Beats and Downbeats with a Time-Frequency Transformer", IEEE Int. Conf. Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2022.
- [2] Wang, J. C., **Hung, Y. N.**, & Smith, J. B. L., "To catch a chorus, verse, intro, or anything else: Analyzing a song with structural functions", IEEE Int. Conf. Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2022.
- [3] **Hung, Y. N.**, Wichern, G., & Roux, J. L., "Transcription Is All You Need: Learning to Separate Musical Mixtures with Score as Supervision.", IEEE Int. Conf. Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2021.
- [4] **Hung, Y. N.**, & Lerch, A., Multitask learning for instrument activation aware music source separation. International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR), 2020 (38% acceptance rate)
- [5] Huang, J., **Hung, Y. N.**, Pati, A., Gururani, S. K., & Lerch, A., Score-informed Networks for Music Performance Assessment. International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR), 2020
- [6] **Hung, Y. N.**, Chiang, I., Chen, Y. A., & Yang, Y. H., Musical Composition Style Transfer via Disentangled Timbre Representations. International Joint Conferences on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2019 (17% acceptance rate)
- [7] **Hung, Y. N.**, Chen, Y. A., & Yang, Y. H., Multitask learning for frame-level instrument recognition. IEEE Int. Conf. Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP), 2019.
- [8] **Hung, Y. N.**, & Yang, Y. H., Frame-level Instrument Recognition by Timbre and Pitch. International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference (ISMIR), 2018

Other Publications

- [9] **Hung, Y. N.**, Watcharasupat, K. N., Wu, C. W., Orife, I., Li, K., Seshadri, P., & Lee, J., AVASpeech-SMAD: A Strongly Labelled Speech and Music Activity Detection Dataset with Label Co-Occurrence. International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference Late Breaking Demo, 2021
- [10] **Hung, Y. N.**, Chen, Y. A., & Yang, Y. H., Learning Disentangled Representations for Timber and Pitch in Music Audio, arXiv preprint arXiv: 1811.03271, Nov. 2018.
- [11] Yu, L. C., Yang, Y. H., **Hung, Y. N.**, & Chen, Y. A., Hit Song Prediction for Pop Music by Siamese CNN with Ranking Loss, arXiv preprint arXiv: 1710.10814, Oct. 2017.

Reviewed Journals

- IEEE International Conference on Multimedia & Expo. 2022
- IEEE Transactions on Audio, Speech and Language Processing, 2020-2021

Awards

Government Scholarship to Study Abroad, Ministry of Education, Taiwan	2020-2021
WIMIR Travel Grant, International Society for Music Information Retrieval Conference	2018
Study Abroad Scholarship, Electrical Engineering Department, National Cheng Kung University	Fall 2015
Academic Excellence Award (Top 10% students in the department), National Cheng Kung University	2013 - 2014

Projects

Music Source Separation (https://github.com/biboamy/Source Separation Inst)

2019 - present

Project in Music Technology Research Lab supervised by Prof. Alexander Lerch at Gatech

• Leverage my previous knowledge of instrument activation detection to build a deep learning model integrating source separation and instrument activation detection.

Animal Harmonizer (https://biboamy.github.io/MIRProject/demoSite/paper.pdf)

2019 Fall

Project in Audio Content Analysis course supervised by Prof. Alexander Lerch at Gatech

- Proposed a system to generate harmonization for a given melody line
- Research on pitch tracking, audio synthesis and music generation algorithm

Musical instrument recognition (https://github.com/biboamy/IAD)

2017 - 2019

Advised by Dr. Yi-Hsuan Yang, Academia Sinica. Collaborated with KKBOX Inc.

- Designed new model architectures to recognize instruments types and timing in music pieces.
- Proposed two deep learning models with multitask structure and harmonic-aware structure respectively, which improve the result (F-score) by 4%.
- Derived a large-scale synthesized dataset to address the small dataset issue.

Music Generation (https://github.com/biboamy/instrument-disentangle)

2017 - 2019

Advised by Dr. Yi-Hsuan Yang, Academia Sinica. Collaborated with KKBOX Inc.

- Designed deep learning architectures to generate music in different styles.
- Proposed two encoder-decoder models with adversarial training to disentangle musical features in high dimensional latent space.
- Analyzed latent space features by evaluating on auto-tagging, style transfer and cover song detection tasks.