# Sin-Han Yang

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## Education

#### **National Taiwan University (NTU)**

Taipei, Taiwan

B.S. in Computer Science and Information Engineering

Sep. 2019 - Jun. 2024

• Double Major in Physics

#### **University of Birmingham**

Birmingham, UK

**Exchange Student in Computer Science** 

Sep. 2022 - Jan. 2023

## Research Interests

Understand deep learning as well as improve its robustness and generalization, both from theoretical and empirical perspectives.

# Papers\_

#### **Conference Paper**

[C1] Sin-Han Yang, Chung-Chi Chen, Hen-Hsen Huang and Hsin-Hsi Chen, Entity-Aware Dual Co-Attention Network for Fake News Detection, Findings of the Association for Computational Linguistics: EACL, 2023.

#### **Journal Paper**

[J1] Sin-Han Yang, Tuomas Oikarinen, Tsui-Wei Weng, Concept-Driven Continual Learning, Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR), 2024.

# Work Experience \_\_\_\_\_

#### **RIKEN Center for Advanced Intelligence Project**

Tokyo, Japan

Aug. 2024 - PRESENT

**Research Assistant** 

• Advisor: Dr. Emtiyaz Khan

- **Project 1**: Variational Learning implicitly induces label noise.
  - Derived the implicit label noise from Variational Learning, which is learned for each sample.
  - Empirically showed that Variational Learning outperforms label smoothing and is comparable with SAM.
- Project 2: Use Bayesian Learning and model merging principles to improve continual learning.
  - Theoretically showed that reducing gradient mismatch can ideally achieve batch training's accuracy.
  - Proposed a new memory selection method to efficiently reduce gradient mismatch.

# Research Experiences \_\_

#### **Computer Science and Engineering Department, UC San Diego**

Remote

**Visiting Student** 

• Advisor: Prof. Tsui-Wei (Lily) Weng

Jun. 2022 - Aug. 2024

- **Project 1**: LLM Jailbreak Defense with formal guarantee.
  - Applied Random Smoothing on target LLMs, and derived the corresponding robustness certification.
  - Defended major jailbreak algorithms, which reduces attack success rate by up to 78%.
- Project 2: Use model's interpretability to improve performance in continual learning [J1]
  - Controlled interpretable neurons to understand the continual learning process and migrate the forgetting.
  - Proposed methods that are comparable with previous works, but significantly boost the interpretability.

## **Nature Language Processing Laboratory, NTU**

**Undergraduate Researcher** 

Nov. 2021 - Feb. 2024

Taipei, Taiwan

• Advisor: Prof. Hsin-Hsi Chen

- Focused on fake news detection, design a new attention-based architecture for interpretability [C1]
- The new architecture outperforms baselines in standard benchmarks.
- Used model's interpretability to analyze the key words and sentences for final predictions.

#### **Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, Princeton University**

Remote

Jun. 2023 - Sep. 2023

**Visiting Student** 

• Advisor: Prof. Jason D. Lee

- Worked on the theoretical aspect of continual learning from representation learning. [Working Note]
- Showed that in task incremental learning, models can learn nonlinear representations with bounded errors.
- Challenged the class incremental learning, and point out few-shot continual learning as a future direction.

#### Research Center for Information Technology Innovation, Academia Sinica

Taipei, Taiwan

Jan. 2021 - Jan. 2022

**Research Assistant** 

• Advisor: Dr. Gen-Cher Lee

- Modified communication software's source code to extend functionality.
- Gained the ability to understand, modify and test big open source software.

# **Honors & Awards**

Appier Best R&D Award and CSIE 3rd Place NTU CSIE Bachelor Research Exhibition

Taipei, Taiwan

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College Student Research Scholarship National Science Council (NSC)

Taipei, Taiwan

• NSC scholarship for excellent students based on written research proposal

2023

**NTU Y.L.LIN Scholarship** 

Taipei, Taiwan

For exchange students
NTU Dean's List Award

Taipei, Taiwan

2018

Final Selection and Training Camp IPhO (International Physics Olympics) Taiwan team

2021

Taipei, Taiwan

Professional Activities

Reviewer

ICLR 2025

IEEE Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering

NeurIPS 2024 Safe Generative AI Workship

# Skills\_

Programming

Python, MATLAB, C/C++

Others

PyTorch, Git, ŁTĘX