Charles Chiang

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Research Interests

Human-Computer Interaction (HCI), Human-AI Collaboration, Human-AI Teams, Computer-Mediated Communication (CMC)

Education

University of Notre Dame, Ph.D., Computer Science and Engineering

Aug 2022 – May 2027 (expected)

Advisor: Dr. Diego Gómez-Zará, RINGZ Lab

Northwestern University, B.S., Computer Science

Sept 2019 – June 2022

Undergraduate Research: Dr. Noshir Contractor, SONIC Lab

Research Experience

LLM-as-a-Judge for LLM Evaluation

May 2024 – Present

- Creating a system to help developers generate criteria to evaluate LLM outputs through the use of LLM-as-a-Judge
- Ran a formative study on LLM experts' criteria generation process
- Presented preliminary study results and prototype system at IBM Research (Yorktown Heights, NY)

Virtual Human-AI Teaming

May 2024 - Present

- Part of an effort to create a model of Human-AI Team (HAT) interactions using digital twins for large-scale experimentation (DARPA EMHAT)
- Creating a dynamic LLM-powered world engine to facilitate interactions between digital twins and AI bots in diverse task-oriented environments
- Developing an interface to support deeper walkthrough analysis of generated scenarios

AI-Generated Feedback

May 2024 – Present

- Investigating the effectiveness of AI-generated feedback for teams (Slack Workforce Lab)
- Working with an undergraduate student, developing coding skills

FacilitatorBot: A Chatbot Designed to Introduce Strangers

Aug 2023 - Present

- Created a prototype Discord bot to facilitate introductory conversations between strangers
- Mentored an undergraduate student in research and coding skills to create and present a poster [reference]

The Evolution of Emojis for Sharing Emotions

Aug 2022 - Present

- Investigating the future of emoji and emotion communication systems
- Proposed a system to augment emojis with photos for increased context to positively influence users' self-presentation and well-being (CHI 2023 workshop paper [3])
- Performed a systematic literature review on the landscape of emoji and emotion communication systems (in submission [1])

Publications

[1] The Evolution of Emojis for Sharing Emotions: A Systematic Review

Sept 2024

Charles Chiang, Diego Gómez-Zará

In submission, arXiv:2409.17322

[2] Augmenting Team Diversity and Performance by Enabling Agency and Fairness Criteria in Recommendation Algorithms

Sept 2024

Diego Gómez-Zará, Victoria Kam, Charles Chiang, Leslie DeChurch, Noshir Contractor

[3] Photo-Emojis for Human Connections

April 2023

Charles Chiang, Diego Gómez-Zará

CHI 2023 Workshop "Integrating Individual and Social Contexts into Self-Reflection Technologies"

Honors and Awards

Remick Fellowship, University of Notre Dame	Aug 2022 - Present
Best Poster, Faculty Choice - FacilitatorBot: A Chatbot Designed to Introduce Strangers, University of Notre Dame	March 2024
Graduate School Professional Development Awards (GSPDA) , University of Notre Dame	April 2023
Conference Presentation Grant, University of Notre Dame	April 2023

Service	
Graduate Student Board, University of Notre Dame	Aug 2024 - Present
Guest Lecturer, Upward Bound	July 2024
Guided a group of high school students through a computer science project of their choosing	

Work Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant , University of Notre Dame CSE 34151 Theory of Computing, CSE 40424 Human-Computer Interaction	Aug 2022 - May 2023
Undergraduate Research Assistant, Northwestern University SONIC Lab, under Dr. Noshir Contractor	Dec 2020 - June 2022