# Kuo-Han **Hung**

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## **Education**

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

Taipei, Taiwan

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING

Sept. 2020 - Dec. 2024 (expected)

- Overall GPA: 4.24/4.3; Major GPA: 4.27/4.3; Ranking: 5/187 (top 2.6%)
- Awards: Bachelor Thesis Dean's Award, 3 times Dean's List Awards, 2 times Presidential Awards
- Relevant Courses: Foundations of Al, Machine Learning\*, Applied Deep Learning\*, Computer Vision\*, Reinforcement Learning\*, Security and Privacy of ML\*, Calculus, Linear Algebra, Probability (\*graduate-level)

#### **University of California, Berkeley**

California, USA

SUMMER SESSION PROGRAM IN THE DEPT. OF EECS

June 2022 - Aug. 2022

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

# Research Experience\_

**Robot Learning Lab** 

Taipei, Taiwan

Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Prof. Shao-Hua Sun

Oct. 2024 - Present

- 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**

New York, USA

RESEARCH INTERN, ADVISOR: DR. PIN-YU CHEN

June 2024 - Sept. 2024

- Researched on prompt injection detection for LLM agent using attention. [under review]
  - 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**

Taipei, Taiwan

Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Prof. Winston H. Hsu

Feb. 2022 - June 2024

- Researched on vision-instruction correlation rewards for long-horizon manipulation. [ICMLW' 24]
  - 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**

Taipei, Taiwan

Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Prof. Yun-Nung Chen

Feb. 2022 - June 2024

- Benchmarked multi-source retrieval and reasoning in visual question 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) \_

- [1] **K. H. Hung\***, P. C. Lo\*, J. F. Yeh\*, H. Y. Hsu, Y. T. Chen, and W. H. Hsu, "VICtoR: Learning Hierarchical Vision-Instruction Correlation Rewards for Long-horizon Manipulation." The 41st International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) ARLET Workshop, 2024.
- [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.
- [3] **K. H. Hung**, C. Y. Ko, A. Rawat, I. H. Chung, W. H. Hsu, and P. Y. Chen, "Attention Tracker: Detecting Prompt Injection Attacks in LLMs." Preprint.
- [4] **K. H. Hung**, C. Zhang, and D. Yankov, "Customizable Routing with Learning from Past Recommendations." The 32nd International Conference on Advances in Geographic Information Systems (**SIGSPATIAL**), 2024.
- [5] H. C. Fang\*, **K. H. Hung\***, C. W. Huang, and Y. N. Chen, "*Open-Domain Conversational Question Answering with Historical Answers*." The 2nd Asian Chapter of the Association for Computational Linguistics (**AACL**), 2022.

# **Work Experience**

#### **Microsoft, Bing Team**

Remote (team in California, USA)

APPLIED SCIENTIST INTERN

July 2023 - June 2024

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

Cinnamon AI Taipei, Taiwan

**DEEP LEARNING INTERN** 

June 2022 - Aug. 2022

• 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 Remote (team in USA)

FULL-STACK DEVELOPER & FOUNDING MEMBER

Jan. 2022 - June 2022

- 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 and Awards**

Dean's Award (for top two theses in EECS department), NTU Bachelor's Thesis Award	June 2024
Presidential Award/Dean's List (for top 2%/5% students), NTU	Fall'22, '23; Spring'21, '22, '23
Lin Hsiung Chen Memorial Scholarship (top scholarship in Taiwan)	Nov. 2023
Second prize, NTU CSIE Undergraduate Thesis Exhibition	June 2023
Creativity and Entrepreneurship Excellence Award, NTU D-school	June 2023
Charity Trust Jason International Fund Scholarship, issued by Acer Taiwan	Sept. 2022
Honorable Award, NTU CSIE Undergraduate Thesis Exhibition	June 2022
Special Award (top 5/300+ teams), LINE Fresh Hackathon	Dec. 2021

## Leadership and Activities.

## Creativity and Entrepreneurship Program, NTU D-School

Taipei, Taiwan

TEAM LEADER

Sept. 2022 - June 2023

- Developed and presented detailed business plans for a startup specializing in Al-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**

Taipei, Taiwan

CO-FOUNDER & ACADEMIC INSTRUCTOR

Aug. 2022 - June 2023

- 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

Sept. 2024 - Dec. 2024

- Designed eight homework across major fields in computer science to help students reinforce weak concepts.
- Led a weekly TA sessions to address student questions on lectures and assignments.

#### TEACHER ASSISTANT, CSIE5043 MACHINE LEARNING (GRADUATE-LEVEL)

Jan. 2023 - June 2023

- 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.