CHENCHEN YE

Homepage: yecchen.github.io Email: ccye@cs.ucla.edu

EDUCATION

PhD student in Computer Science

Sep 2023 - Present

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)

Advisor: Dr. Wei Wang, Leonard Kleinrock Professor, UCLA

Bachelor of Computer Science, 1st Class Honors (Highest Distinction) Aug 2018 - Jun 2022

National University of Singapore (NUS)

Advisor: Dr. Tat-Seng Chua, KITHCT Chair Professor, NUS

RESEARCH INTERESTS

I have broad interests in ML and NLP, particularly in developing **LLM agents** capable of solving complex problems, and enhancing **LLM reasoning** abilities. I also explore heterogeneous knowledge integration, leveraging knowledge graphs, text, code, and visual data to enhance model capabilities and interpretability.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Research Intern, Frontier Reasoning

Jun 2025 - Present

Scale AI, Mentor: Sean Hendryx, Jeff Da

San Francisco, CA

• Project: SWE-Level Unit Tests Generation Agent

Research Intern, GraphRAG

Jun 2024 - Sep 2024

Micrsoft Research, Mentor: Jonathan Larson, Darren Edge, Ha Trinh

Seattle, WA

 Project: Hierarchical Multi-Agent GraphRAG: Advancing Complex Query Answering through Dynamic Decomposition and Collaborative Planning

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher

Sep 2023 - Present

Scalable Analytics Institute (ScAi), UCLA, Advisor: Wei Wang

Los Angeles, CA

Research Assistant NExT++ Research Center, NUS, Advisor: Tat-Seng Chua, Yunshan Ma Aug 2022 - Aug 2023 Singapore

• Project: Reasoning on Graphs for Knowledge-enhanced Information Retrieval

Undergraduate Student Researcher

May 2021 - Jun 2022

NExT++ Research Center, NUS, Advisor: Tat-Seng Chua, Lizi Liao

Singapore

• Project: Textual and Multimodal Conversational Search and Response Generation

PUBLICATIONS

Preprints: (* denotes equal contribution.)

- MIRAI: Evaluating LLM Agents for Event Forecasting
 <u>Chenchen Ye</u>*, Ziniu Hu*, Yihe Deng*, Zijie Huang, Mingyu Ma, Yanqiao Zhu, Wei Wang
 Preprint 2025 [paper, homepage, code, data, demo]
- CliBench: Multifaceted Evaluation of Large Language Models in Clinical Decisions on Diagnoses, Procedures, Lab Tests Orders and Prescriptions
 Mingyu Derek Ma, <u>Chenchen Ye</u>, Yu Yan, Xiaoxuan Wang, Peipei Ping, Timothy S Chang, Wei Wang. *Preprint* 2025 [paper, homepage]

• AgentGrow: LLMs as Scalable, Customizable General-Purpose Simulators For Language Agent Training

Yiming Wang, Yuedong Cui, Da Yin, Di Wu, <u>Chenchen Ye</u>, Zongyu Lin, Xueqing Wu, Kai-Wei Chang. *Preprint 2025, SoCal NLP Symposium 2024* [to be arXived]

Conference Publications:

- 1. **GraphVis: Boosting LLMs with Visual Knowledge Graph Integration** Yihe Deng, <u>Chenchen Ye</u>, Zijie Huang, Mingyu Derek Ma, Yiwen Kou, Wei Wang *Neurips* 2024 [paper]
- 2. TCELongBench: Analyzing Temporal Complex Events with Large Language Models? A Benchmark towards Temporal, Long Context Understanding Zhihan Zhang, Yixin Cao, Chenchen Ye, Yunshan Ma, Lizi Liao, Tat-Seng Chua ACL 2024 [paper, code&data]
- 3. **SeCoGD:** Context-aware Event Forecasting via Graph Disentanglement Yunshan Ma*, Chenchen Ye*, Zijian Wu, Xiang Wang, Yixin Cao, Tat-Seng Chua *SIGKDD* 2023 [paper, code&data, poster, slides]
- 4. **RERG:** Reflecting on Experiences for Response Generation Chenchen Ye, Lizi Liao, Suyu Liu, Tat-Seng Chua *ACMMM* 2022 [paper, poster, slides]
- 5. Co-Gen: Structured and Natural Responses Co-generation for Conversational Search Chenchen Ye, Lizi Liao, Fuli Feng, Wei Ji, Tat-Seng Chua SIGIR 2022 (Oral) [paper, code, slides]

Workshop Publications:

1. Narrative Analysis of True Crime Podcasts With Knowledge Graph-Augmented Large Language Models

James Chapman, Xinyi Leng, Jason Liang, Jack Mauro, Xu Wang, Andrea Bertozzi, Junyuan Lin, Bohan Chen, <u>Chenchen Ye</u>, Temple Daniel and P. Jeffrey Brantingham *CIKM* 2024, *The 8th Workshop on Graph Techniques for Adversarial Activity Analytics* [paper]

AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher Prize, NUS [certificate] [r	news]	Jun 2022
Deans' List Awards, NUS [certificate]	AY2019-2020/	AY2021-2022
Science & Technology Undergraduate Scholarship, NUS, Singapor	re	2018-2022
Senior Middle 2 Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Singapore		2018-2022

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, UCLA

• COM SCI 245 Big Data Analytics Fall 2024

COM SCI 32 Introduction to Computer Science II

Winter 2024, Spring 2025

Teaching Assistant, NUS

CS2030 Programming Methodology II
 CS2040 Data Structure and Algorithm
 Semester 1 AY2019/20

SERVICES

Invited Reviewer: ICML 2025, Neurips 2025/2024, ICLR 2024, ACL(+ARR) 2025/2024, KDD 2024, CIKM 2024, ACMMM 2024/2023