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EDUCATION

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC)

Chapel Hill, NC

PhD student in Computer Science (CS)

Jan. 2021 - Present

 \circ Researched multimodal deep learning under the supervision of Mohit Bansal in the MURGe lab.

National Taiwan University

Taipei, Taiwan

Master of Science in Graduate Institute of Communication Engineering (GICE)

Sep. 2017 - 2019. June

o Thesis: Difference-Seeking Generative Adversarial Network – Unseen Data Generation. Advisor: Soo-Chang Pei

National Taiwan University

Taipei, Taiwan

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering (CHE)

Sep. 2012 - Jan. 2017

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Yan-Bo Lin, **Yi-Lin Sung**Jie Lei, Mohit Bansal, Gedas Bertasius "Vision Transformers are Parameter-Efficient Audio-Visual Learners", arXiv:2212.07983, 2022.
- Yi-Lin Sung, Jaemin Cho, Mohit Bansal, "LST: Ladder Side-Tuning for Parameter and Memory Efficient Transfer Learning", Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022. [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung, Jaemin Cho, Mohit Bansal, "VL-Adapter: Parameter-Efficient Transfer Learning for Vision-and-Language Tasks", Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Conference (CVPR), 2022 [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung*, Varun Nair*, Colin Raffel, "Training Neural Networks with Fixed Sparse Masks". Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021. [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung, Sung-Hsien Hsieh, Soo-Chang Pei, Chun-Shien Lu, "Difference-Seeking Generative Adversarial Network Unseen Data Generation". International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2020. [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung*, Jun-Liang Lin*, Cheng-Yao Hong*, Tyng-Luh Liu, "The Maximum A Posteriori Estimation of DARTS". *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, 2021. [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung, Cheng-Yao Hong, Yen-Chi Hsu, Tyng-Luh Liu, "Video Summarization with Anchors and Multi-Head Attention". *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, 2020. [paper]
- Yi-Lin Sung, "Tetris Battle A New Environment for Single-mode and Double-Mode Game". Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS) Workshop on Deep Reinforcement Learning, 2019. [paper]

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UNC Multimodal Understanding, Reasoning, and Generation for Language Lab

Chapel Hill, NC

Graduate Research Assistant. Advisor: Dr. Mohit Bansal

Aug 2021 - Present

• Research the topic of multi-modal learning.

UNC Biomedical Image Analysis Group (UNC-biag)

Chapel Hill, NC

Intern. Advisor: Dr. Marc Niethammer

May 2021 - Aug. 2021

- $\circ\,$ Maintained and revitalized the dated pediatric airway analysis tool.
- Added an open-source segmentation tool (easyreg) to the project to enable the automatically airway segmentation.
- Built a two-stage landmark detector to process the extremely large 3D inputs, and it outperformed the baseline by 36%.

Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica

Taipei, Taiwan

Part-time (Sep. 2018 – Dec. 2019) and full-time research assistant. Advisor: Dr. Tyng-Luh Liu

Sep. 2018 - Mar. 2020

- Researched and submitted the work about improving Differentiable Architecture Search (DARTS) with learnable prior.
- Researched and submitted the work about video summarization with anchors and attention.
- o Utilized oversampling and sample-reweighting techniques to handle the imbalance issues in the LVIS challenge.

Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica

Taipei, Taiwan

Research intern. Advisor: Dr. Tyng-Luh Liu

July. 2018 - Aug. 2018

• Researched the topic of video summarization and implemented the whole pipeline for training a summarizer.

Industry Experience

Microsoft

Research intern working with Linjie Li, Zhe Gan and Kevin Lin

May 2022 - Present

• Research the topic of efficient vision-and-language architecture.

Cinnamon AI Taiwan

Taipei, Taiwan

AI researcher Mar. 2020 – Jan. 2021

- Accelerated the company's main models by 25% without sacrificing the accuracies by using model quantization and distillation.
 Built a classifier with attention that achieves 98% accuracy, which surpasses the expectation by 13%, in a client project.
- Led and taught NLP classes in the Bootcamp to nurture AI talents in Taiwan.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Deep Learning @ UNC Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill, NC

Teaching Assistant. Instructor: Dr. Colin Raffel

Jan. 2021 - May 2021

• Prepared the answers for homework and tests and graded them.

Natural Language Processing @ Cinnamon AI Bootcamp Instructor

Taipei, Taiwan June 2020 – Aug. 2020

• Gave lectures about the latest NLP pre-trained models and using PyTorch for NLP.

Machine Learning and Having It Deep and Structured @ National Taiwan University

GICE, NTU

Teaching Assistant. Instructor: Dr. Hung-Yi Lee

Jan. 2018 - Jun. 2018

• Responsible for the first homework: Validating the Theories of Neural Network through Experiments.

PROJECTS HIGHLIGHTS

PyTorch Lightning Semi-Supervised Learning

 $A\ project\ to\ implement\ state-of-the-art\ algorithms\ with\ standardized\ framework$

o Reproduced Mixmatch with comprehensive unit tests and PyTorch Lightning.

Tetris Battle – A New Environment for Single-Mode and Double-Mode Game

An self-driven project on reinforcement learning (RL)

- o Proposed an environment which helps develop RL algorithms, especially when the computational resources are limited.
- Trained a RL agent with Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO) to play the game.

Honors

• NeurIPS Scholar Award	2022
• Appier AI top conference scholarship	2020

• Fifth place in the Large Vocabulary Instance Segmentation (LVIS) Challenge at ICCV2019

2019

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

• Conference Reviewer or Program Committee

- o CVPR (2023)
- NeurIPS (2022)
- \circ EMNLP (2022)
- \circ **AAAI** (2022)

• Talks

- o Training Neural Networks with Fixed Sparse Masks, NeurIPS Taipei Meetup (2021)
- $\circ\,$ A Hierarchical Approach for Document Analysis, NTU (2020)
- o Difference-Seeking Generative Adversarial Network Unseen Data Generation, Appier (2020)

TECHNIQUES

- Open Source Contributions: PyTorch, PyTorch Lightning, DALLE-pytorch