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Research Interests

- **Generative Models** [1]: Developing machine learning solutions based on data generation.
- **Large Language Models** [2]: Efficient training paradigms for LLMs.
- **Domain Generalization** [3]: Model-agnostic frameworks for domain generalization.
- **Fairness in Healthcare** [6]: Fair machine learning algorithms for healthcare tasks.

Education

Texas A&M University

Ph.D. in Computer Science (Advisors: Dr. Na Zou and Dr. Xia Hu)

College Station, TX

Aug. 2021 – Expected May 2025

National Cheng Kung University

Master of Science in Structures and Materials

Tainan, Taiwan

Sep. 2013 – Jun. 2015

Publications

- [1] **C.Y. Chang**, Y.N. Chuang, Z. Jiang, K.H. Lai, A. Jiang, and N. Zou, “CODA: Temporal Domain Generalization via Concept Drift Simulator,” arXiv’23 ([ICLR’24 \(submitted\)](#))
- [2] H. Jin, X. Han, J. Yang, Z. Jiang, **C.Y. Chang**, and X. Hu, “GrowLength: Accelerating LLMs Pretraining by Progressively Growing Training Length,” arXiv’23 ([ICLR’24 \(submitted\)](#))
- [3] **C.Y. Chang**, Y.N. Chuang, G. Wang, M. Du, and N. Zou, “DISPEL: Domain Generalization via Domain-Specific Liberating,” arXiv’23 ([ICLR’24 \(submitted\)](#))
- [4] Y.N. Chuang, G. Wang, **C.Y. Chang**, et al., and X. Hu, “DiscoverPath: A Knowledge Refinement and Retrieval System for Interdisciplinarity on Biomedical Research,” ACM International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management ([CIKM’23 Demo](#))
- [5] **C.Y. Chang**, Y.N. Chuang, K.H. Lai, X. Han, X. Hu, N. Zou, “Towards Assumption-free Bias Mitigation,” arXiv ([AAAI’23 SRRAI \(submitted\)](#))
- [6] **C.Y. Chang**, J. Yuan, S. Ding, Q. Tan, K. Zhang, X. Jiang, X. Hu, and N. Zou, “Towards Fair Patient-Trial Matching via Patient-Criterion Level Fairness Constraint,” AMIA 2023 Annual Symposium ([AMIA’23](#))
- [7] S. Ding, Q. Tan, **C.Y. Chang**, et al., and X. Hu, “Multi-Task Learning for Post-transplant Cause of Death Analysis: A Case Study on Liver Transplant,” AMIA 2023 Annual Symposium ([AMIA’23](#))
- [8] Y.N. Chuang, K.H. Lai, R. Tang, M. Du, **C.Y. Chang**, N. Zou, X. Hu, “Mitigating Relational Bias on Knowledge Graphs,” arXiv ([Preprint](#))
- [9] Y. Wang, X. Han, **C.Y. Chang**, D. Zha, U. Braga-Neto, and X. Hu, “Auto-PINN: Understanding and Optimizing Physics-Informed Neural Architecture,” arXiv’22 ([Preprint](#))
- [10] **C.Y. Chang***, C.W. Lu*, and C.J. Wang, “A Multi-step-ahead Markov Conditional Forward Model with Cube Perturbations for Extreme Weather Forecasting,” The 36th Annual AAAI Conference ([AAAI’21](#))
- [11] **C.Y. Chang**, and et al., “Query Expansion with Semantic-based Ellipsis Reduction for Conversational IR,” The Twenty-Ninth Text REtrieval Conference ([TREC’20](#))

Experience

Texas A&M University

Graduate Research Assistant

College Station, TX

Aug. 2021 – Present

- Developed model-agnostic algorithms that focus on generalization issues in machine learning models.
- Developed fairness machine learning frameworks for healthcare tasks by task-specific regularizations.
- Proposed the efficient pre-training paradigm for large language models during pre-processing.

WeHelp Bootcamp

Teaching Assistant

Online

Feb. 2021 – Jun. 2021

- Gave the instructions for deploying MySQL and API servers on AWS.
- Advised students to implement their own API server with Flask and Node.js.

Academia Sinica

Research Assistant

Taipei, Taiwan

Oct. 2019 – Dec. 2020

- Developed a ranking algorithm for financial news recommender systems to reduce 41% of traders' daily reading time.
- Researched and published papers in time-series forecasting and large language model applications.
- Won the 2nd place award in an information retrieval competition via a T5-based coreference and reranking framework.

EZTABLE

Backend Engineer

Taipei, Taiwan

Jan. 2019 – Sep. 2019

- Designed/developed APIs for the website and mobile app deployed on cloud services, including AWS and GCP.
- Utilized CI/CD tools (Jenkins and Drone) for automatic testing and exporting reports.
- Improved cloud infrastructures that reduced 19.2% server loading and 23.8% cost.

Projects

Recommender System Algorithms | E.SUN Bank

Nov. 2019 – Dec. 2020

- Developed recommender system algorithms with the machine learning method.
- Fine-tuned BERT pre-trained models for leveraging given limited labeled data.
- Built and trained an RNN-based model to tackle a time-series problem.
- Designed data pre-processing and post-processing pipelines to enhance the efficiency of experiments.
- Led and organized the project members and communicated with E.SUN Bank partners.

TripChat [\[Link\]](#) | Side Project

Sep. 2018 – Nov. 2018

- Developed front-end part with JavaScript library React.
- Implemented RESTful APIs with Node.js and a real-time co-editing map with Socket.IO.
- Implemented Cache for low updated frequency data with Redis.
- Built the environment as a Docker Image and deployed on AWS EC2.

Awards and Honors

CIKM 2023 Best Demo Paper Honorable Mention [4]

Oct. 2023

AMIA 2023 Best Student Paper Finalist [7]

Oct. 2023

NSF Travel Award for Quality and Productivity Research Conference (QPRC) 2023

Jun. 2023

2nd and 4th Place Award, TREC CAsT, Text REtrieval Conference [11] [\[Link\]](#)

Oct. 2020

National Chen Kung University Scholarship Award (Top 10%)

2014, 2015

Invited Talks

KDD 2023 Machine Learning in Finance Tutorial – *Algorithmic Fairness in Finance* [\[Link\]](#)

Aug. 2023

QPRC 2023 Short Course – *Fair Machine Learning in Healthcare* [\[Link\]](#)

Jun. 2023