# Tzu-Heng (Brian) Huang

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#### **Education**

2021 - 2026 (Expected)

Ph.D. in Computer Science. University of Wisconsin-Madison. Advised by Prof. Frederic Sala. Minoring in Economics.

2016 - 2020

**B.S. in Computer Science. National Chengchi University (Taiwan).** Advised by Prof. Man-Kwan Shan and Dr. Ling-Jyh Chen.

#### **Research Interests**

My research focuses on *data-centric AI for multimodal foundation models*, to enable models to learn more with less supervision. Several works I have developed, including (1) model-aware data selection for efficient pretraining (e.g., CLIP), (2) data curation for multimodal models through objective detection (*1st place on the Datacomp leaderboard*), (3) 500x cheaper labeling system over LLM annotators (*NeurIPS'24 Spotlight*), and (4) a new accelerated training framework through model merging.

## **Research Experience**

May. 2024 - Dec. 2024

**AIML Research Intern.** Apple.

advised by Dr. Javier Movellan and Manjot Bilkhu.

— Automated Model-aware Data Selection for Efficient Pretraining.

Aug. 2021 – Present

Graduate Research Student. UW-Madison.

advised by Prof. Frederic Sala.

- Data-centric AI for Foundation Models: Auto-labeling and Data Curation.
- Parameter Marketplace: Through Model Merging and Auction Agents.

May. 2023 - Apr. 2024

Founder & CEO. Awan.AI LLC.

collaborated with and funded by TechTCM.

— LLM for Traditional Chinese Medicine and Tongue Syndrome Diagnosis.

Jun. 2019 - Sep. 2019

Research Intern. Argonne National Laboratory. advised by Dr. Charlie Catlett and Dr. Rajesh Sankaran.

— Ensemble-based Time Series Calibration for Low-cost Sensors.

Sep. 2018 – Aug. 2021

**Research Assistant.** National Chengchi University.

advised by Prof. Man-Kwan Shan.— Spatio-temporal Modeling in Large-scale Sensor Networks.

Feb. 2018 - Jul. 2020

Research Intern. Academia Sinica.

advised by Dr. Ling-Jyh Chen.

— Large-scale Air Quality Sensor Network Development.

## **Research Publications**

- T.-H. Huang, C. Cao, V. Bhargava, and F. Sala, "The ALCHEmist: Automated Labeling 500x CHEaper than LLM Data Annotators," in *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)* [Spotlight], 2024.

  Our URL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.11004.
- W. Tan, N. Roberts, T.-H. Huang, et al., "MoRe Fine-Tuning with 10x Fewer Parameters," in ICML Workshop: Efficient Systems for Foundation Models (ES-FoMo) and ICML Workshop: Foundation Models in the Wild., 2024. OURL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.17383.
- T.-H. Huang, C. Cao, S. Schoenberg, H. Vishwakarma, N. Roberts, and F. Sala, "ScriptoriumWS: A Code Generation Assistant for Weak Supervision," in *ICLR Workshop: Deep Learning For Code (DL4C)*, 2023.

  Ourl: https://dl4c.github.io/assets/pdf/papers/30.pdf.

- T.-H. Huang, C. Shin, S. J. Tay, D. Adila, and F. Sala, "Multimodal Data Curation via Object Detection and Filter Ensembles," in ICCV Workshop: Towards the Next Generation of Computer Vision Datasets (TNGCV) [1st place on the Datacomp leaderboard in the small-scale filtering track], 2023. URL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.12225.
- N. Roberts, X. Li, D. Adila, et al., "Geometry-Aware Adaptation for Pretrained Models," in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023. O URL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2307.12226.
- N. Roberts, X. Li, T.-H. Huang, et al., "AutoWS-Bench-101: Benchmarking Automated Weak Supervision with 100 Labels," in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022. OURL: https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.14362.
- T.-H. Huang, C.-H. Tsai, and M.-K. Shan, "Key Sensor Discovery for Quality Audit of Air Sensor Networks," in ACM International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services (MobiSys), 2020. URL: https://dl.acm.org/doi/abs/10.1145/3386901.3396606.

#### Miscellaneous

#### **Awards and Achievements**

- **ICCV Datacomp Competition**, won the first place in the small-scale filtering track.
  - Scholar Award, granted by NeurIPS'23.
- First-year Departmental Scholarship, granted by UW-Madison.
- 2020 Research Intern Scholarship, granted by National Chengchi University.
  - Undergrad Research Scholarship, granted by Ministry of Science and Technology.

#### **Invited Talks**

Sep. 2019 | Internship Sharing. invited by National Chengchi University.

Jul. 2019 LASS Conference: International Session. invited by Academia Sinica.

Mar. 2019 **Techbang Magazine: PiM25 Project.** invited by Techbang Magazine.

**Raspberry Pi Jam: PiM25 Project**. invited by Raspberry Pi Foundation (Taiwan).

Jan. 2019 Raspberry Pi Meetup: PiM25 Project. invited by Raspberry Pi Foundation (Taiwan).

#### **Academic Services**

2023 – Present Paper Reviewer. NeurIPS'23 & 24, ICLR'24 & 25, CoLLAs'24, ICML'24, DMLR.

**Co-organizer**. AutoML Cup in AutoML Conference.

2022 – 2023 President of Student Association of Taiwan, UW-Madison.

2021 – 2022 Vice President of Student Association of Taiwan, UW-Madison.

## **Skills**

**Programming Languages** 

Python, R, C++/C, SQL, LTFX, and Shell Programming.

**Technologies** 

(Distributed) PyTorch, Tensorflow, Keras, ShinyApp, PostgreSQL, and Vim.