

Hideaki Takahashi

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Summary

- First-year Ph.D. student at Columbia University, working on Zero Knowledge Proof.
- Passionate about the convergence of **AI**, **systems**, and **security**.
- Proven research excellence with multiple first-authored papers in top-tier conferences (**AAMAS**, **CVPR**).
- Skilled open-source developer of widely adopted tools (**400+ GitHub stars**), including a security risk simulator for machine learning and a symbolic execution engine.
- Extensive research & development experience at leading institutions (Tsinghua University, NAIST, The University of Tokyo) and industry internships (including Apple Inc.).
- Committed to the community as a reviewer (IEEE TNSE, IEEE T-MI) and active contributor to popular open-source projects (PySyft, Nebula).

Education

Columbia University in the City of New York

PH.D (COMPUTER SCIENCE)

- Supervised by Prof. Junfeng Yang

New York, United States

Sep. 2024 -

The University of Tokyo

BACHELOR OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (INFORMATICS)

- Supervised by Prof. Alex Fukunaga., GPA: 3.85/4.0

Tokyo, Japan

Apr. 2019 - Mar. 2024

Papers

- [1] Hideaki Takahashi* and Alex Fukunaga. On the transit obfuscation problem. In *International Conference on Autonomous Agents and Multi-Agent Systems*, 2024. **Peer-reviewed @ AAMAS'24** (CORE Rank: A*, Acceptance Rate: 20.7%).
- [2] Tianyuan Zou, Zixuan Gu, Yu He, Hideaki Takahashi, Yang Liu, Guangnan Ye, and Ya-Qin Zhang. VFLAIR: A research library and benchmark for vertical federated learning. In *The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations*, 2024. **Peer-reviewed @ ICLR'24** (CORE Rank: A*, Acceptance Rate: 31.1%).
- [3] Hideaki Takahashi*, JingJing Liu, and Yang Liu. Breaching fedMD: Image recovery via paired-logits inversion attack. In *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2023. **Peer-reviewed @ CVPR'23** (CORE Rank: A*, Acceptance Rate: 25.8%).
- [4] Sally Junsong Wang, Jianan Yao, Kexin Pei, Hideaki Takahashi, and Junfeng Yang. Detecting buggy contracts via smart testing. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2409.04597*, 2024.
- [5] Hideaki Takahashi*. Aijack: Security and privacy risk simulator for machine learning. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2312.17667*, 2023.
- [6] Hideaki Takahashi*, JingJing Liu, and Yang Liu. Eliminating label leakage in tree-based vertical federated learning. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2307.10318*, 2023.
- [7] Hideaki Takahashi*, Kohei Ichikawa, and Keichi Takahashi. Difficulty of detecting overstated dataset size in federated learning. Technical Report 10, 2021. <http://id.nii.ac.jp/1001/00214220/>.

Software

AIJack (<https://github.com/Koukyosyumei/AIJack>)

OWNER

- Security risk simulator for machine learning (more than 350 stars on GitHub and used in 8 papers.)

MyZKP (<https://github.com/Koukyosyumei/MyZKP>)

OWNER

- Building Zero Knowledge Proof from Scratch in Rust

rhoevm (<https://github.com/Koukyosyumei/rhoevm>)

OWNER

- Symbolic EVM execution engine written in Rust to find vulnerabilities within Ethereum smart contracts

Gymbo (<https://github.com/Koukyosyumei/Gymbo>)

OWNER

- Gradient-based symbolic execution to debug neural networks and probabilistic algorithms.

Research Experience

Fukunaga Lab, The University of Tokyo

Tokyo, Japan

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Apr. 2023 - Mar. 2024

- Conducted research on the transit obfuscation problem, a new task of privacy-preserving AI planning, under the supervision of Prof. Alex Fukunaga.

Institute for AI Industry Research, Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

FEDERATED LEARNING & PRIVACY COMPUTING INTERNS

Jan. 2022 - Feb. 2023

- Conducted research on federated learning and privacy computing under the supervision of Prof. Yang Liu and Prof. Jingjing Liu.

Nara Institute of Science and Technology

Nara, Japan

VISITING STUDENT

Aug. 2021 - Sep. 2021

- Conducted research on the free-rider problem of federated learning under the supervision of Prof. Kohei Ichikawa and Prof. Keichi Takahashi.

Industry Experience

Apple Inc.

Yokohama, Japan

TECHNICAL INTERNSHIP: AIML/SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Feb. 2024 - Jul. 2024

- Worked on AIML/software engineering.

UTokyo Economic Consulting Inc.

Tokyo, Japan

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2024

- Worked on social implementations of econometrics and machine learning.

RECRUIT

Tokyo, Japan

DATA SCIENCE INTERN

Aug. 2020 - Sep. 2020

- Worked on a location-based restaurant recommendation iOS app.

M3, Inc.

Tokyo, Japan

DATA ANALYSIS INTERN

Feb. 2020 - Jun. 2020

- Worked on a data analysis project in the field of medical surveys.

FRONTEO, Inc.

Tokyo, Japan

RESEARCH INTERN

Sep. 2019 - Mar. 2020

- Worked on the detection of anomaly documents with NLP and network analysis.

Awards & Fundings

FUNDINGS

2024 - 2026 **Funai Overseas Scholarship**, Granted 2 years of tuition and stipend.

COMPETITIONS

- 2023 **45th / 616 teams (Silver Medal)**, Kaggle: Google - Fast or Slow? Predict AI Model Runtime
- 2021 **67th / 875 teams (Bronze Medal)**, Kaggle: Hungry Geese
- 2021 **52nd / 788 teams (Bronze Medal)**, Kaggle: Santa 2020 - The Candy Cane Contest
- 2020 **51st / 1138 teams (Silver Medal)**, Kaggle: Google Research Football with Manchester City F.C.
- 2020 **88th / 1390 teams (Bronze Medal)**, Kaggle: Cornell Birdcall Identification

Service

Reviewer IEEE Transactions on Network Science and Engineering (Impact Factor: 6.7),
IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging (Impact Factor: 10.0).

OSS Contributor PySyft (platform for secure and private Deep Learning), Nebula (distributed graph database)

Skills

Programming C, C++, Python, Rust, Assembly, LLVM, Haskell, Solidity, Circom, R

Languages English, Japanese

DevOps AWS, Docker, GCP