

Shuo Han

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Education Background

University College London <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science	2026.03 – Present
Northwestern University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Master of Science in Statistics and Data Science	2022.09 – 2024.08
Boston University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and Statistics• Awards: Dean's List	2019.09 – 2022.08

Research Interests

AI for Software Engineering, with research centered on understanding and improving the reliability, security, and trustworthiness of large language model (LLM)-based systems.

Publication

- **Shuo Han**, Tao Tan, Yuantian Miao, Xiao Chen, Nan Sun., “Prompting Instability: An Empirical Study of LLM Robustness in Code Vulnerability Detection”, AJCAI, 2025
- Zelei Cheng, Xian Wu, Jihao Yu, **Shuo Han**, Xin-Qiang Cai, Xinyu Xing., “Soft-Label Integration for Robust Toxicity Classification”, NeurIPS, 2024

Research Experiences

Research in AI for Software Engineering

University of New South Wales **2024.05 – 2025.09**

- Design experiments to test the robustness and uncertainty of LLM responses for cybersecurity tasks.
- Develop an automated evaluation framework to assess LLMs' reliability in identifying and reasoning about security-related bugs.

Research in AI for Security

Northwestern University **2023.12 – 2024.05**

Project Background: Toxicity detection in human-LLM interactions often relies on single-annotator labels that can be biased, so we aim to use crowdsourced labels for more balanced and accurate assessments.

- Crafted toxic prompts using prompt engineering techniques and annotated them through third-party companies and LLMs. Integrate these crowdsourced annotations using a soft-labeling technique.
- Incorporated a bi-level optimization algorithm and GroupDRO loss based on topics to compute out-of-distribution loss, addressing distribution shifts caused by variations in annotators and topic difficulties.

Research in AI Security

Advanced Cryptography and System Security Key Laboratory **2023.05-2023.08**

- Explored applying model compression techniques to enhance the model structure, achieving lower computational costs and improved accuracy for Generative Adversarial Networks.
- Proposed a data collection method for the industrial internet that includes network traffic and industrial control features, enhancing the accuracy of botnet detection.
- Applied a Logistic Regression approach for botnet detection on the collected dataset, addressing both binary classification and multiclassification tasks.

Academic Services

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Northwestern University

Primary responsibilities: Host office hours, grade assignments, and lead project presentation sessions.

- STAT 332-0/IBIS 432, Spring 2023, Class size:30
- STAT 303-2, Winter 2023, Class size: 100

Volunteer

- The Seventeenth International Conference on Web Search and Data Mining, 2024

Skills

- Languages: Mandarin (native), English, Korean Beginner, Japanese Beginner
- Software: Adobe Illustrator, MS OFFICE
- Programming language: Python, Java, C, R, SQL, CSS, HTML, Java Script, OCaml
- Framework/Technology: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Linux, Git, HuggingFace, Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib