Mike (Deyuan) He

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🏛 Education

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 2022 – Est. 2027

Ph.D. in Computer Science
M.A. in Computer Science (conferred in May. 2024)
Advisor: Prof. Aarti Gupta
Fields of study: Compilers; Formal Verification; Distributed Systems; Equality Saturation

University *of* Washington, Seattle, WA 2018 – 2022

B.S. in Computer Science, GPA: 3.89/4.0 (Cum Laude)
Advisors: Prof. Zachary Tatlock & Dr. Steven Lyubomirsky
Selected Honor: CRA Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher Award, Honorable Mention (2022)

📖 Publications & Pre-prints

- **Mike He**, Ankush Desai, Sharad Malik, Douglas Terry, and Aarti Gupta. PInfer: Mining specifications automatically for distributed systems [***in preparation***]
- **Mike He**, Haichen Dong, Sharad Malik, and Aarti Gupta. Improving term extraction with acyclic constraints. In *E-Graph Research, Applications, Practices, and Human-factors Symposium* (*EGRAPHS'23*) [Paper]
- Marisa Kirisame*, Steven Lyubomirsky*, Altan Haan*, Jennifer Brennan, **Mike He**, Jared Roesch, Tianqi Chen, and Zachary Tatlock. Dynamic tensor rematerialization. In *International Conference on Learning Representations* (*ICLR'21*) [ArXiv]
- Bo-Yuan Huang*, Steven Lyubomirsky*, Thierry Tambe*, Yi Li, **Mike He**, Gus Smith, Gu-Yeon Wei, Aarti Gupta, Sharad Malik, and Zachary Tatlock. From dsls to accelerator-rich platform implementations: Addressing the mapping gap. In *Workshop on Languages, Tools, and Techniques for Accelerator Design* (*LATTE'21*) [Paper]
- Bo-Yuan Huang*, Steven Lyubomirsky*, Yi Li, **Mike He**, Thierry Tambe, Gus Henry Smith, Akash Gaonkar, Vishal Canumalla, Gu-Yeon Wei, Aarti Gupta, Sharad Malik, and Zachary Tatlock. Application-level validation of accelerator designs using a formal software/hardware interface. *ACM Trans. Des. Autom. Electron. Syst.* [Paper]

⚙ Skills

- **Languages:** C/C++, Python, Rust, OCaml, Coq, Dafny, etc. (Open to other languages)
- **Compiler & Applied PL:** Equality Saturation, Static Analysis, Computer-aided Reasoning, SMT
- **PL Theory:** Formal Verification, Type Theory, Mathematical Logic
- **Systems:** Distributed Systems, Machine Learning Systems, Data Center Systems
- **Fun Fact:** I am more seasoned in playing the violin than coding 🎵; I have:
  1. an Lv.9 certificate* (similar to ABRSM Grade 8) issued by Central Conservative of Music;
  2. > **20-year** violin solo experience;
  3. Multiple 1st Prizes (various local competitions in Beijing) and a Silver medal (Beijing regional)†;
  4. 6-year experience with symphony orchestras; 3-year experience as *the Principal 2nd Violinist*;
  5. 3-year experience with a piano quartet/quintet and multiple string quartets (with 1 CD produced);
  6. ~ 4 public concerts with a philharmonic orchestra⋆ at the The Giant Egg, Beijing, China.

*: *The highest level for non-professionals*
†: *Awarded during middle and high school years.*
⋆: *The Beijing National Day School Philharmonic Orchestra*

✊ Service

- Sub-reviewer: OOPSLA'24
- Artifact Evaluation Committee: POPL'25, PLDI'24, POPL'24, MLSys'23, MICRO'21
- Mentor in the Ph.D. application mentoring program (Princeton, 2023)

</> Internships

Amazon Web Services, Santa Clara, CA   May. 2024 – Aug. 2024

Applied Scientist Intern   (**C#**/**Java**/**P**/Distributed Systems/Formal Methods)

- Developed the *PInfer* framework that **discovers likely invariants for distributed systems** from event traces
- Implemented a formal model and specifications of the **Raft** consensus algorithm in **P framework**
- Modeled and proved the correctness of Ring leader election, Paxos, and an AWS internal service in *PVerifier*

Taichi Graphics, Remote and Beijing, China   June. 2022 – Sep. 2022

Compiler R&D Intern   (**C++**/**Python**)

- Refactored the intermediate representation (IR) of Taichi Language
- Implemented standalone **Tensor type** for better compilation speed
- Adapted **compiler passes** (e.g. Load/Store forwarding, Dead code elimination, reaching definition, etc.) to optimize for tensor type expressions
- Implemented **LLVM**-based code generation for tensor type for Superword-level vectorization

Intel Labs, Hillsboro, OR   Mar. 2022 – June. 2022

Formal Verification Research Intern   (Formal Methods/**Python**/**Dafny**)

Developed the **Py**_rope_ framework for **correct-by-construction** hardware modeling.
- Facilitated **correct-by-construction** hardware modeling purely in Python
- Encoded the correctness proof of (multi-)montgomery reduction algorithm in Python and **verified successfully by compiling to Dafny**
- Unified "sources of truth" for correctness proofs and programming model implementations

UWPLSE, Seattle, WA   Oct. 2019 – Sep. 2021

Research Assistant   (PL/Compiler)

Responsible for conducting research with Prof. Zachary Tatlock, specifically,
- Implemented evaluations in the Dynamic Tensor Rematerialization project
- Designed a flexible matching algorithm for domain-specific language compilers.
- Led research projects with other undergraduate students
- Attended and presented at reading groups

💡 Teaching

- COS 516: Automated Reasoning about Software (TA, Princeton University, Fall 23 & 24)
- CSE 505: Principles of Programming Languages (TA, University of Washington, Spring 21)