

Education

- Aug 2017 - **University of North Carolina**, Chapel Hill, NC
May 2023 - Ph.D. in Computer Science
(expected) - Advisor: Shahriar Nirjon
- Research Area: **On-device ML, Edge Computing, Embedded Systems, IoT**
- Sept 2014 - **Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China
July 2017 - M.S in Electronic and Communications Engineering
- Advisor: Yongfeng Huang
- Sept 2010 - **Central South University**, Changsha, China
July 2014 - B.S in Communications Engineering
- **Course Ranking 1st/151**

Research Experience

- Jan 2021 - **Efficient Multi-task Learning on Resource-constrained Systems**
present
 - Exploited task affinity to build a compact execution graph for vision and audio based tasks
 - Leveraged task dependencies to decrease model context switching and inference overhead
 - Built dedicated hardware systems to facilitate multi-task context switch
- Dec 2018 - **Use Reinforcement Learning to Improve Energy Efficiency**
Dec 2020
 - Leveraged reinforcement learning to optimize energy consumption on batteryless systems
 - Built an energy harvesting system to do on-device learning and online adaptation
- Dec 2018 - **Enable Machine Learning on Intermittent Systems**
Dec 2020
 - Implemented on-device training of ML algorithms on intermittent systems
 - Leveraged early termination of DNNs to schedule time-sensitive tasks on intermittent systems
- May 2018 - **Hardware/Software Co-design and On-device ML**
present
 - Six years of hands-on experience with HW/SW co-design on embedded sensor systems
 - Developed a automated Python-to-C tool for fast ML models deployment on 16-bit MCU
 - Built customized hardware to tackle various system constraints, e.g. energy or memory

Professional Experience

- May 2022 - **Meta**, Marketplace, Machine Learning Engineer Intern
Aug 2022
 - Leveraged data downsampling strategies to decrease necessary training data by 20%
 - Leveraged Scaling User Models to improve model evaluation metrics by 1% - 2%
 - Implemented multiple data ingestion pipelines to automate data extraction and delivery
- May 2020 - **Amazon**, Alexa, Applied Scientist Intern
Aug 2020
 - Studied active learning approaches for acoustic event classification
 - Proposed and implemented reinforcement learning based active learning approaches
 - Re-implemented and compared with a state-of-the-art clustering based active learning approach
- June 2019 - **Nokia Bell Labs**, Research Intern
Aug 2019
 - Conducted control analysis of virtual network functions

Selected Publication

Conference and Journal

- SenSys 2023 **Exploiting Task Affinity for Efficient Multitask Learning on Low-Resource Systems**
(in submission) **Yubo Luo**, Le Zhang, Zhenyu Wang, and Shahriar Nirjon
Proceedings of the 21th Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems
- IoTDI 2023 **Amalgamated Intermittent Computing Systems**
(accepted) Bashima Islam, **Yubo Luo**, and Shahriar Nirjon
The 8th ACM/IEEE Conference on Internet of Things Design and Implementation
- MobiSys 2023 **Seconds-Long Audio Event Recognition on Intermittently-Powered Systems**
(under review) Mahathir Monjur, **Yubo Luo**, Zhenyu Wang, and Shahriar Nirjon
The 21st ACM International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services
- DCOSS 2021 **SmartON: Just-in-Time Active Event Detection on Energy Harvesting Systems**
Yubo Luo, and Shahriar Nirjon
The 17th Annual International Conference on Distributed Computing in Sensor Systems
- Ubicomp 2020 **Intermittent Learning: Machine Learning on Intermittent System**
Seulki Lee, Bashima Islam, **Yubo Luo**, and Shahriar Nirjon
Proceedings of the ACM on Interactive, Mobile, Wearable and Ubiquitous Technologies
- RTAS 2019 **Just-in-Time Active Event Detection on Energy Autonomous Sensing Systems**
(WIP) **Yubo Luo**, and Shahriar Nirjon
25th IEEE Real-time and Embedded Technology and Applications Symposium
- IHMMSEC 2017 **Text Steganography with High Embedding Rate: Using Neural Networks to Generate Chinese Classic Poetry**
Yubo Luo, and Yongfeng Huang
The 5th ACM Workshop on Information Hiding and Multimedia Security
- 2016 **Text Steganography Based on Ci-poetry Generation Using Markov Chain Model**
Yubo Luo, Yongfeng Huang, Fufang Li, and Chinchun Chang
KSII Transactions on Internet and Information Systems

Demo and Poster

- IPSN 2022 **(Demo) Capuchin: A Neural Network Model Generator for 16-bit Microcontrollers**
Le Zhang, **Yubo Luo**, and Shahriar Nirjon
The 21th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks
- IPSN 2019 **(Poster) On-Device Training from Sensor Data on Batteryless Platforms**
Bashima Islam, **Yubo Luo**, Seulki Lee, and Shahriar Nirjon
The 18th ACM/IEEE International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks

Awards

- Ubicomp 2020 Best Presentation, Judge's Award
- 2016 The Huawei Scholarship (**top 5%**)
- 2014 The Honor of Excellent Graduate in Hunan Province (**top 2%**)
- 2014 Central South University Outstanding Award (**top 1%**)
- 2013 **1st** Prize in American International Mathematical Contest in Modeling
- 2012 **2st** Prize in China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling
- 2012 The National Scholarship (**top 1%**)

Professional Services

Journal Review IOTJ: IEEE Internet of Things Journal
CSSE: Computer Systems Science and Engineering
IASC: Intelligent Automation & Soft Computing
CMC: Computers, Materials & Continua

Teaching Assistantship

Spring 2023 COMP380: Introduction to Digital Culture
Spring 2018 COMP455: Models of Languages and Computation
Fall 2017 COMP411: Computer Organization

Skills

Programming Python, C/C++, Matlab, SQL
ML Framework TensorFlow