

JIAWEI LIU

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RESEARCH INTEREST

I am generally interested topics related to *correctness*, *programmability* and *performance* in computer systems, esp. deep-learning (DL) systems. My recent research thread (i.e., Ph.D.) is DL compiler validation & debugging.

EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, US
Ph.D. in Computer Science; GPA: 4.0/4.0

Aug. 2021 - Present
Advisor: [Lingming Zhang](#)

Tongji University, Shanghai, China
B.Eng. in Computer Science

Sept. 2017 - Jul. 2021

PAPERS AND TALKS

- [1] [†]NEURI: Diversifying DNN Generation via Inductive Rule Inference.
[Jiawei Liu](#), Jinjun Peng, Yuyao Wang, Lingming Zhang.
- [2] [†]Understanding and Simplifying Bug-Inducing Inputs for Deep-Learning Compilers
[Jiawei Liu](#), Yichen Li, Lingming Zhang, Micheal Lyu.
- [3] [ASPLOS'23] NNSMITH: Generating Diverse and Valid Test Cases for Deep Learning Compilers
[Jiawei Liu](#)^{*}, Jinkun Lin^{*}, Fabian Ruffy, Cheng Tan, Jinyang Li, Aurojit Panda, Lingming Zhang.
[code](#) ♦ [artifact](#) ♦ [paper](#) ♦ [pre-print](#)
 - Systems Reading Group, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Mar. 2023
 - Software Engineering Retreat, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Sept. 2022
- [4] [OOPSLA'22] Coverage-Guided Tensor Compiler Fuzzing with Joint IR-Pass Mutation
[Jiawei Liu](#), Yuxiang Wei, Sen Yang, Yinlin Deng, Lingming Zhang.
[code](#) ♦ [artifact](#) ♦ [paper](#)
 - SPLASH/OOPSLA Conference Talk Nov 2022
 - SAMPL Lunch Talks, University of Washington May 2022
 - Software Engineering Seminar, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Apr. 2022
- [5] [ACMMM'21 OSC] Fast and Flexible Human Pose Estimation with HyperPose
Yixiao Guo^{*}, [Jiawei Liu](#)^{*}, Guo Li^{*}, Luo Mai, Hao Dong.
[code](#) ♦ [paper](#)

[†]New work under submission.

^{*}Co-primary.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Intern at OctoML May. - Aug. 2022
Advised by: [Yuchen Jin](#), [Sunghyun Park](#), [Tianqi Chen](#)
Designed and implemented a declarative pattern language for simplifying graph optimizations in TVM's Relax IR (PRs: [A](#), [B](#)).
Dataflow Pattern Language

Research Assistant at UIUC Apr. 2021 - Present
Advised by: [Lingming Zhang](#)
Doing research in applying PL and formal methods to synthesize Deep-Learning programs for fuzzing and beyond [1]–[4].
Fuzzing

Intern at DAMO Academy, Alibaba Cloud Mar. - Aug. 2021
Advised by: [Yuanwei Fang](#), [Yuan Xie](#) (Univ. of California at Santa Barbara)
Implemented multi-core graph sampling algorithms in C++ for GNN pre-processing, improving prior implementation by over 20×.
GNN Serving

Research Assistant at NYU Systems Group Jul. 2020 - Mar. 2021
Advised by: [Jinyang Li](#)
Designed a programming model, *Compare-And-Skip*, for doing video analytic with programmable accuracy-efficiency trade-off.
Video Analytics

Research Assistant at Peking University

Advised by: [Hao Dong](#), [Luo Mai](#) (Univ. of Edinburgh)

Implemented a CPU-GPU scheduler for pose estimation and post-processing algorithms, with up-to 7.3× speedup over SOTA [5].

Jan. - Aug. 2020

Fast Pose Estimation

Intern at ByteDance AI Lab

Advised by: [Guanzhe Huang](#), [Chuanxiong Guo](#)

Developed a model server with dynamic batching and a monitoring sub-system for debugging health/performance of model services.

Feb. - Jul. 2020

DNN Model Serving

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

Qidi Innovation Scholarship of Tongji University (Top 1%)	2020
Selected Entrant for 2020 Google Machine Learning Winter Camp	2019
Winner of International Data Science Hackathon (Chinese Region), Covestro [news]	2019
National 2nd Prize and Province-level 1st Prize in RoboMaster, DJI Inc.	2019
National 2nd Prize (0.75~3.84%) and Province-level 1st Prize of Chinese Modeling Contest	2018

OPEN-SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

I embrace and grow with the ❤ open-source community.

Recently, I lead the [NNSMITH](#) project, a random DNN synthesizer for testing Deep-Learning (DL) systems. I also have been actively contributed to [TVM](#) for bug fixes and the [dataflow pattern language](#) of *Relax* IR to simplify graph optimization. Previously, I developed [HyperPose](#) (**1200+ stars**) for efficient computer vision.

My research facilitates the correctness of DL systems. Since 2021, we found over 150 new bugs for TVM, PyTorch, TensorFlow, TensorRT, and ONNXRuntime. My work have impacted the testing tooling of real-world systems including nvFuser, TensorRT (privately acknowledged by NVIDIA developers) and [TVM Relay](#).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Artifact Evaluation Committee:	PLDI'23, OSDI'22, ATC'22.
Co-Reviewer:	ICSE'23, FSE'22, ASE'22.
Reviewer:	AAAI'23@DCAA

MENTORING

Yuxiang Wei (Summer 2021)	Tongji Univ. ↔ UIUC Ph.D. Program
Sen Yang (Summer 2021)	Fudan Univ. ↔ Yale Ph.D. Program

SKILL STACK

My general skill set covers program optimization/analysis, fuzzing, visualization and deep learning. Oftentimes, I code with modern C++ for efficiency with a Python front-end for interoperability.

General: C++, Python, LLVM, Rust, Docker, Git, Grafana, GDB, etc.

Machine Learning & Systems: PyTorch, TensorRT, TensorFlow, TVM, ONNX, Pybind11, etc.

Correctness: Z3, libFuzzer, Sanitizers, Dafny, Spin, etc.

Parallel: C++ Thread Library, CUDA, gRPC, etc.