

# JIAWEI LIU

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## RESEARCH INTEREST

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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

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**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

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- [1] <sup>†</sup>NEURI: Diversifying DNN Generation via Inductive Rule Inference.  
[Jiawei Liu](#), Jinjun Peng, Yuyao Wang, Lingming Zhang.
- [2] **[ASPLOS'23]** NNSMITH: Generating Diverse and Valid Test Cases for Deep Learning Compilers  
[Jiawei Liu](#)<sup>\*</sup>, Jinkun Lin<sup>\*</sup>, 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
- [3] **[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
- [4] **[ACMMM'21 OSC]** Fast and Flexible Human Pose Estimation with HyperPose  
Yixiao Guo<sup>\*</sup>, [Jiawei Liu](#)<sup>\*</sup>, Guo Li<sup>\*</sup>, Luo Mai, Hao Dong.  
[code](#) ♦ [paper](#)

<sup>†</sup> *New work under submission.*

<sup>\*</sup> *Co-primary.*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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

**Research Assistant at UIUC** Apr. 2021 - Present  
Advised by: [Lingming Zhang](#) *Fuzzing*  
Doing research in applying PL and formal methods to synthesize Deep-Learning programs for fuzzing and beyond [1]–[3].

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

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

**Research Assistant at Peking University** Jan. - Aug. 2020  
Advised by: [Hao Dong](#), [Luo Mai](#) (Univ. of Edinburgh) *Fast Pose Estimation*  
Implemented a CPU-GPU scheduler for pose estimation and post-processing algorithms, with up-to 7.3× speedup over SOTA [4].

## 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

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

## OPEN-SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

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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

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

## MENTORING

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<a href="#">Yuxiang Wei</a> (Summer 2021)	Tongji Univ. $\mapsto$ UIUC Ph.D. Program
<a href="#">Sen Yang</a> (Summer 2021)	Fudan Univ. $\mapsto$ Yale Ph.D. Program

## SKILL STACK

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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.