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Education

Princeton University	New Jersey, USA
Ph.D. in Electrical Computer Engineering	2015 - 2020
Research focus: Efficient and Secure Deep Learning	
Advisor: Prof. Niraj K. Jha	
Nanyang Technological University	Singapore, SG
B.Eng in Electronic & Electronics Engineering (GPA 3.9/4.0, dean's lister all four years)	2011 - 2015
Minor in Business (GPA 4.0/4.0)	
Advisor: Prof. Bah Hwee Gwee and Prof Zhiping Lin	
University of California, Berkeley	California, USA
Undergraduate summer exchange	2012
University of Cambridge	Cambridge, UK
High school elite exchange program	2007

Academic Experience

NVIDIA, Learning and Perception Research (LPR)	
Senior Research Scientist (Team lead: Dr. Jan Kautz)	May 2022 - Now
NVIDIA, Learning and Perception Research (LPR)	
Research Scientist (Team lead: Dr. Jan Kautz)	May 2020 - Apr 2022
NVIDIA, Learning and Perception Research (LPR)	
Research Intern (Mentor: Dr. Pavlo Molchanov and Dr. Jan Kautz)	May 2019 - Nov 2019
Alibaba U.S., Machine Learning Team	
Research Intern (Mentor: Dr. Weifeng Zhang)	May 2018 - Nov 2018

Selected Awards

○ 36 Kr Top 100 Global Outstanding Chinese Awards	2022
○ Forbes Top 60 Elite Chinese North America	2021
○ Princeton ECE Best Dissertation Award Finalist (Top-3 in department)	2020
○ Princeton Yan Huo *94 Fellowship (Top-3 in department)	2019
○ Princeton Natural Science and Foundation Fellowship	2015-2017
○ Gold Medal - Defense Science and Technology	2015
○ Gold Medal - Thomas Asia Pacific Holdings	2015
○ Department Dean's Lister Award	2011-2015
○ Nanyang Best Industrial Orientation Award	2014
○ Nanyang Presidential Scholar with Highest Distinction	2012-2015

Conference Publications

(*: equal contribution; †: advised intern)

1. Xin Dong[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Jose Alvarez, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Privacy vulnerability of split computing to data-free model inversion attacks
British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2022
2. Maying Shen*, **Hongxu Yin***, Pavlo Molchanov, Lei Mao, Jianna Liu, Jose Alvarez
Structural pruning via latency-saliency Knapsack
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022
3. **Hongxu Yin**, Arash Vahdat, Jose Alvarez, Arun Mallya, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
A-ViT: Adaptive tokens for efficient vision transformer
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2022
(Oral Presentation)
4. Ali Hatamizadeh*, **Hongxu Yin***, Holger Roth, Wenqi Li, Jan Kautz, Daguang Xu, Pavlo Molchanov
GradViT: Gradient inversion of vision transformers
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2022
5. Maying Shen, Pavlo Molchanov, **Hongxu Yin**, Jose Alvarez
When to prune? A policy towards early structural pruning
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2022
6. Xin Dong[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Jose Alvarez, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Deep neural networks are surprisingly reversible: A baseline for zero-shot inversion
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshop (CVPR Workshop), 2022
7. Ali Hatamizadeh*, **Hongxu Yin***, Holger Roth, Wenqi Li, Jan Kautz, Daguang Xu, Pavlo Molchanov
Gradient inversion of vision transformers
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition Workshop (CVPR Workshop), 2022
8. Pavlo Molchanov*, Jimmy Hall*, **Hongxu Yin***, Jan Kautz, Nicolo Fusi, Arash Vahdat
HANT: Hardware-aware network transformation
European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022
9. **Hongxu Yin**, Arun Mallya, Arash Vahdat, Jose Alvarez, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
See through gradients: Image batch recovery via GradInversion
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021
10. Yerlan Idelbayev[†], Pavlo Molchanov, Maying Shen, **Hongxu Yin**, M. C. Perpinan, Jose Alvarez
Optimal quantization using scaled codebook
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2021
11. Akshay Chawla[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Jose Alvarez
Data-free knowledge distillation for object detection
Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2021
12. **Hongxu Yin**, Arun Mallya, Arash Vahdat, Jose Alvarez, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Dreaming to distill: Data-free knowledge transfer via DeepInversion
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2020
(Oral Presentation)
13. Wenhan Xia, **Hongxu Yin**, Niraj K. Jha
Efficient synthesis of compact deep neural networks
IEEE Design Automation Conference (DAC), 2020
14. Xiaoliang Dai, Peizhao Zhang, Bichen Wu, **Hongxu Yin**, Fei Sun, Yanghan Wang, Marat Dukhan, Yunqing Hu, Yiming Wu, Yangqing Jia, Peter Vajda, Matt Uyttendaele, Niraj K. Jha
ChamNet: Towards efficient network design through platform-aware model adaptation
Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2019

15. Ozge Akmandor, **Hongxu Yin**, and Niraj K. Jha
Simultaneously ensuring smartness, security, and energy efficiency in Internet-of-Things sensors
IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC), 2017
16. **Hongxu Yin**, Bah Hwee Gwee, Zhiping Lin, Kumar Anil, Galul R. Sirajudeen, and Choo M. S. See
Novel real-time system design for floating-point sub-Nyquist multi-coset signal blind reconstruction
IEEE Int. Symp. on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS), 2015
(**Oral Presentation**)

Journal Publications

17. Ali Hatamizadeh, **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Andriy Myronenko, Wenqi Li, Prerna Dogra, Andrew Feng, Mona G Flores, Jan Kautz, Daguang Xu, Holger R. Roth
Do gradient inversion attacks make federated learning unsafe?
IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, 2023
18. Shayan Hassantabar, Joe Zhang, **Hongxu Yin**, Niraj K. Jha
MHDeep: Mental health disorder detection system based on body-area and deep neural networks
ACM Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems, 2022
19. **Hongxu Yin**, Guoyang Chen, Yingmin Li, Shuai Che, Weifeng Zhang, and Niraj K. Jha
Hardware-guided symbiotic training for compact, accurate, yet execution-efficient LSTMs
IEEE Trans. Emerging Topics in Computing, 2021
20. Wenhan Xia, **Hongxu Yin**, Xiaoliang Dai, Niraj K. Jha
Fully dynamic inference with deep neural networks
IEEE Trans. Emerging Topics in Computing, 2021
21. Xiaoliang Dai*, **Hongxu Yin***, and Niraj K. Jha
Grow and prune compact, fast, and accurate LSTMs
IEEE Trans. Computers, 2020
22. **Hongxu Yin**, Bilal Mukadam, Xiaoliang Dai, and Niraj K. Jha
DiabDeep: Pervasive diabetes diagnosis based on wearable medical sensors and efficient neural networks
IEEE Trans. Emerging Topics in Computing, 2020
23. Xiaoliang Dai, **Hongxu Yin**, and Niraj K. Jha
Incremental learning using a grow-and-prune paradigm with efficient neural networks
IEEE Trans. Computers, 2020
24. Xiaoliang Dai, **Hongxu Yin**, and Niraj K. Jha
NeST: A neural network synthesis tool based on a grow-and-prune paradigm
IEEE Trans. Computers, 2019
25. **Hongxu Yin**, Zeyu Wang, and Niraj K. Jha
A hierarchical inference model for Internet-of-Things
IEEE Trans. Multi-scale Computing Systems, 2018
26. **Hongxu Yin** and Niraj K. Jha
A health decision support system for disease diagnosis based on wearable medical sensors and machine learning ensembles
IEEE Trans. Multi-scale Computing Systems, 2017
27. Ozge Akmandor, **Hongxu Yin** and Niraj K. Jha
Smart, secure, yet energy-efficient, Internet-of-Things sensors
IEEE Trans. Multi-scale Computing Systems, 2017

Book Chapter

28. **Hongxu Yin**, Ozge Akmandor, Arsalan Mosenia, and Niraj K. Jha
Smart healthcare
Foundations and Trends, 2017

Preprint (publicly available & under review)

29. Divyam Madaan[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Wonmin Byeon, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Heterogeneous continual learning
preprint, 2023
30. Xinglong Sun[†], Maying Shen, **Hongxu Yin**, Lei Mao, Pavlo Molchanov, Jose M Alvarez
Towards dynamic sparsification by iterative prune-grow lookAheads
preprint, 2023
31. Huanrui Yang[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Hai Li, Jan Kautz
NViT: Vision transformer compression and parameter redistribution
preprint, 2022
32. Ali Hatamizadeh, **Hongxu Yin**, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Global context vision transformer
preprint, 2022
33. Zhen Dong[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Arash Vahdat, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Efficient transformation of architectures through hardware-aware nonlinear optimization
preprint, 2022

Invited Keynote & Talk

- *Efficient Deep Learning*
Invited Panelist, Open Compute Project (OCP) Global Summit Oct. 2022
- *Towards Efficient and Secure Deep Learning*
Invited Keynote, Design Automation Conference (DAC'60) Jul. 2022
- *Towards Efficient and Secure Deep Nets*
University of British Columbia ECE Department May 2022
- *Inverting Deep Nets*
Princeton University, Department of Computer Science research groups Aug. 2021
- *See through Gradients*
Europe ML meeting Apr. 2021
- *Dreaming to Distill*
Synced AI (largest AI media in Asia) Jul. 2020
- *Dreaming to Distill*
Facebook AR/VR Jun. 2020
- *Making Neural Networks Efficient*
Alibaba Cloud / Platform AI group Feb. 2020
- *Efficient Neural Networks*
NVIDIA Research, Facebook Research Dec. 2019
- *Efficient Neural Networks*
Baidu Research, ByteDance A.I. Lab US Dec. 2019
- *Efficient Neural Networks*
Alibaba A.I. Research, Kwai Lab Nov. 2019

- *Applied Machine Learning: From Theory to Practice*
Invited Keynote, IEEE Circuits and Systems Society (Singapore Chapter) Feb. 2018
- *A Health Decision Support System for Disease Diagnosis*
New Jersey Tech Council Jun. 2016

Patents (till Jun. 2022)

1. *Pruning Neural Networks*
NVIDIA 2022
2. *Neural Network Training Technique*
NVIDIA 2022
3. *Techniques to Identify Data used to Train One or More Neural Networks*
NVIDIA 2022
4. *Pruning Vision Transformers under Latency Budget and a Method to Distribute Parameters across Layers*
NVIDIA 2022
5. *GradViT: Gradient Inversion of Vision Transformers*
NVIDIA 2022
6. *Adaptive Token Depth Adjustment Algorithm for Networks with Transformer Blocks*
NVIDIA 2022
7. *Global Context Model for Transformer Neural Networks*
NVIDIA 2022
8. *Towards Understanding the Risks of Gradient Inversion in Federated Learning*
NVIDIA 2022
9. *When to Prune? A Policy for Early Structural Pruning*
NVIDIA 2021
10. *See Through Gradients: Image Batch Recovery via GradInversion*
NVIDIA 2021
11. *Network similarity metric as a Pruning Indicator*
NVIDIA 2021
12. *Zero-shot Model Inversion for Data-free Distillation*
NVIDIA 2021
13. *MHDeep: Mental Health Disorder Detection System based on Body-Area and Deep Neural Networks*
Princeton University 2019
14. *Optimal MSE Quantization with Fixed Codebook and Rescaling*
NVIDIA 2020
15. *Dreaming Data for Continual Learning*
NVIDIA 2020
16. *Data-Free Knowledge Distillation for Object Detection*
NVIDIA 2020
17. *Hardware-aware Latency Neural Network Pruning*
NVIDIA 2020
18. *Image Generation for Data Free Pruning*
NVIDIA 2019
19. *Hardware-guided Symbiotic Training for Compact, Accurate, yet Execution-efficient LSTMs*
Alibaba 2019

20. *Incremental Learning using a Grow-and-prune Paradigm with Efficient Neural Networks*
Princeton University 2019
21. *DiabDeep: Pervasive Diabetes Diagnosis based on Wearable Medical Sensors and Efficient Neural Networks*
Princeton University 2019
22. *Smart, Secure, yet Energy-efficient Internet-of-Things Sensors*
Princeton University 2019
23. *NeST: A Neural Network Synthesis Tool based on a Grow-and-prune Paradigm*
Princeton University 2018
24. *Grow and Prune Compact, Fast, yet Accurate LSTMs*
Princeton University 2018
25. *A Hierarchical Health Decision support System based on Wearable Medical Sensors and Machine Learning Ensembles*
Princeton University 2017

Academic Services

Teaching Assistant - Princeton University

ELE 364, Machine Learning for Predictive Data Analytics

Fall, 17-18

ELE464, Embedded Computing

Spring, 16-17

Conference Reviewer & Committee

Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR)

International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV)

Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)

International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)

European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV)

British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)

Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV)

AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)

Design Automation Conference (DAC)

High-Performance Computer Architecture (HPCA)

Journal Reviewer & Committee

IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence

IEEE Transactions on Neural Networks and Learning Systems

International Journal of Computer Vision

IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics

IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing

IEEE Sensors Journal

IEEE Consumer Electronics Magazine

International Journal on Artificial Intelligence Tools

International Journal of Systems Architecture

International Journal of Healthcare Technology and Management

International Journal of Electronic Imaging

Mentorship

Princeton Senior Thesis Mentees

Joe Zhang, now Ph.D. at Stanford	2019-2020
Hari Santhanam, now Ph.D. at University of Pennsylvania	2019-2020
Frederick Hertan, now at SIG Trading	2018-2019
Kyle Johnson, now at Princeton University	2018-2019
Bilal Mukadam, now at Microsoft	2018-2019
Chloe Song, now at Astra Inc.	2017-2018

NVIDIA Research Mentees

Huanrui Yang, Duke University	2021-2022
Zhen Dong, University of California, Berkeley	2021-2022
Xin Dong, Harvard University	2021-2022
Paul Micaelli, University of Edingburgh	2021-2022
Yerlan Idelbayev, University of California, Merced	2020-2021
Vu Nguyen, Stony Brooks University	2020-2021
Akshay Chawla, Carnegie Mellon University	2020-2021
Divyam Madaan, New York University	2022-now
Shixing Yu, University of Texas, Austin	2022-now
Annamarie Bair, Carnegie Mellon University	2022-now
Alex Sun, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign	2022-now