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Education

Princeton University

Ph.D. in Electrical Computer Engineering
Research focus: Efficient and Secure Deep Learning
Advisor: Prof. Niraj K. Jha

New Jersey, USA
2015 - 2020

Nanyang Technological University

B.Eng in Electronic & Electronics Engineering (GPA 3.9/4.0, dean's lister all four years)
Minor in Business (GPA 4.0/4.0)
Advisor: Prof. Bah Hwee Gwee and Prof Zhiping Lin

Singapore, SG
2011 - 2015

University of California, Berkeley

Undergraduate summer exchange

California, USA
2012

University of Cambridge

High school elite exchange program

Cambridge, UK
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

- 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. **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)

2. 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
3. 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
4. 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
5. 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
6. Pavlo Molchanov*, Jimmy Hall*, **Hongxu Yin***, Jan Kautz, Nicolo Fusi, Arash Vahdat
HANT: Hardware-aware network transformation
European Conference on Computer Vision (ECCV), 2022
7. **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
8. 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
9. Akshay Chawla[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Jose Alvarez
Data-free knowledge distillation for object detection
Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2021
10. **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)
11. Wenhan Xia, **Hongxu Yin**, Niraj K. Jha
Efficient synthesis of compact deep neural networks
IEEE Design Automation Conference (DAC), 2020
12. 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
13. 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
14. **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

15. 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
16. **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
17. Wenhan Xia, **Hongxu Yin**, Xiaoliang Dai, Niraj K. Jha
Fully dynamic inference with deep neural networks
IEEE Trans. Emerging Topics in Computing, 2021
18. Xiaoliang Dai*, **Hongxu Yin***, and Niraj K. Jha
Grow and prune compact, fast, and accurate LSTMs
IEEE Trans. Computers, 2020
19. **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
20. Xiaoliang Dai, **Hongxu Yin**, and Niraj K. Jha
Incremental learning using a grow-and-prune paradigm with efficient neural networks
IEEE Trans. Computers, 2020
21. 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
22. **Hongxu Yin**, Zeyu Wang, and Niraj K. Jha
A hierarchical inference model for Internet-of-Things
IEEE Trans. Multi-scale Computing Systems, 2018
23. **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
24. 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

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

Preprint (under review)

26. Huanrui Yang[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Hai Li, Jan Kautz
NViT: Vision transformer compression and parameter redistribution
Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022
27. Maying Shen, **Hongxu Yin**, Pavlo Molchanov, Lei Mao, Jianna Liu, Jose M. Alvarez
Structural pruning via latency-saliency Knapsack
Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022

28. Ali Hatamizadeh, **Hongxu Yin**, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Global context vision transformer
Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022
29. Xin Dong[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Jose Alvarez, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Deep neural networks are surprisingly reversible: A baseline for zero-shot inversion
British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC), 2022
30. 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 Trans. Biomedical Imaging submission (TMI), 2022
31. Zhen Dong[†], **Hongxu Yin**, Arash Vahdat, Jan Kautz, Pavlo Molchanov
Efficient transformation of architectures through hardware-aware nonlinear optimization
Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision (WACV), 2022

Invited Keynote & Talk

- *Towards Efficient and Secure Deep Learning*
Invited Keynote, Design Automation Conference (DAC'59) 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

- *Pruning Vision Transformers under Latency Budget and a Method to Distribute Parameters across Layers*
NVIDIA 2022
- *GradViT: Gradient Inversion of Vision Transformers*
NVIDIA 2022

○ <i>Adaptive Token Depth Adjustment Algorithm for Networks with Transformer Blocks</i> NVIDIA	2022
○ <i>Global Context Model for Transformer Neural Networks</i> NVIDIA	2022
○ <i>Towards Understanding the Risks of Gradient Inversion in Federated Learning</i> NVIDIA	2022
○ <i>When to Prune? A Policy for Early Structural Pruning</i> NVIDIA	2021
○ <i>See Through Gradients: Image Batch Recovery via GradInversion</i> NVIDIA	2021
○ <i>Network similarity metric as a Pruning Indicator</i> NVIDIA	2021
○ <i>Zero-shot Model Inversion for Data-free Distillation</i> NVIDIA	2021
○ <i>MHDeep: Mental Health Disorder Detection System based on Body-Area and Deep Neural Networks</i> Princeton University	2019
○ <i>Optimal MSE Quantization with Fixed Codebook and Rescaling</i> NVIDIA	2020
○ <i>Dreaming Data for Continual Learning</i> NVIDIA	2020
○ <i>Data-Free Knowledge Distillation for Object Detection</i> NVIDIA	2020
○ <i>Hardware-aware Latency Neural Network Pruning</i> NVIDIA	2020
○ <i>Image Generation for Data Free Pruning</i> NVIDIA	2019
○ <i>Hardware-guided Symbiotic Training for Compact, Accurate, yet Execution-efficient LSTMs</i> Alibaba	2019
○ <i>Incremental Learning using a Grow-and-prune Paradigm with Efficient Neural Networks</i> Princeton University	2019
○ <i>DiabDeep: Pervasive Diabetes Diagnosis based on Wearable Medical Sensors and Efficient Neural Networks</i> Princeton University	2019
○ <i>Smart, Secure, yet Energy-efficient Internet-of-Things Sensors</i> Princeton University	2019
○ <i>NeST: A Neural Network Synthesis Tool based on a Grow-and-prune Paradigm</i> Princeton University	2018
○ <i>Grow and Prune Compact, Fast, yet Accurate LSTMs</i> Princeton University	2018
○ <i>A Hierarchical Health Decision support System based on Wearable Medical Sensors and Machine Learning Ensembles</i> 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

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 Intern Mentees

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

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