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RESEARCH INTERESTS EDUCATION Trustworthy AI, Formal Methods, Machine Learning, Assured Autonomy, Program Verification

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Ph.D., Computer Science, Dec 2020 Advisor: Dr. Alessandro Orso

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

M.S., Computer Science, May 2012

Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute, Mumbai, India

B.Tech., Information Technology, May 2010

Work Experience Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colorado, USA

Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science

Aug 2024 - Present

CyLab, Carnegie Mellon University, Silicon Valley, California, USA

Postdoctoral Researcher with Dr. Corina Păsăreanu

Jan 2021 - June 2024

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Graduate Research Assistant

Jan 2012 - Dec 2020

Microsoft Research, Redmond, Washington, USA

Research Intern

May 2016 - Aug 2016

Google, Mountain View, California, USA

Research Intern

May 2014 - Aug 2014

Nvidia, Santa Clara, California, USA

Software Intern

May 2011 - Aug 2011

Microsoft, Hyderabad, India

Software Development Engineer in Test Intern

May 2009 - Jul 2009

Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay, Mumbai, India

Undergraduate Researcher

May 2008 - Jul 2008

RESEARCH ARTICLES (* indicates equal contribution, (α) indicates alphabetical ordering)

Preprints

Christopher Watson, Rajeev Alur, Divya Gopinath, **Ravi Mangal***, and Corina Păsăreanu. Scenariobased compositional verification of autonomous systems with neural perception. *arXiv:2504.20942*, 2025

Ravi Mangal*, Klas Leino*, Zifan Wang*, Kai Hu*, Weicheng Yu, Corina Păsăreanu, Anupam Datta, and Matt Fredrikson. Is certifying ℓ_p robustness still worthwhile? arXiv:2310.09361, 2023

Journal Publications

 (α) Radu Calinescu, Calum Imrie, **Ravi Mangal**, Genaína Nunes Rodrigues, Corina Păsăreanu, Misael Alpizar Santana, and Gricel Vázquez. Controller synthesis for autonomous systems with deep-learning perception components. *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering*, 2024

Conference Publications

Nils Palumbo, **Ravi Mangal**, Zifan Wang, Saranya Vijayakumar, Corina Păsăreanu, and Somesh Jha. Validating mechanistic interpretations: An axiomatic approach. *Proceedings of the 42nd International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)*, 2025

Felipe Toledo, Sebastian Elbaum, Divya Gopinath, Ramneet Kaur, **Ravi Mangal**, Corina S. Păsăreanu, Anirban Roy, and Susmit Jha. Monitoring safety properties for autonomous driving systems with vision-language models. In *Engineering Reliable Autonomous Systems*, 2025

Boyue Caroline Hu, Divya Gopinath, Corina Păsăreanu, Nina Narodytska, **Ravi Mangal**, and Susmit Jha. Debugging and runtime analysis of neural networks with vlms (a case study). In 4th International Conference on AI Engineering – Software Engineering for AI (CAIN), 2025

Sayan Mitra, Corina Păsăreanu, Pavithra Prabhakar, Sanjit A Seshia, **Ravi Mangal**, Yangge Li, Christopher Watson, Divya Gopinath, and Huafeng Yu. Formal verification techniques for vision-based autonomous systems—a survey. In *Principles of Verification: Cycling the Probabilistic Landscape: Essays Dedicated to Joost-Pieter Katoen on the Occasion of His 60th Birthday, Part III, pages 89–108. Springer, 2024*

Chi Zhang, Zifan Wang, Ruoshi Zhao, **Ravi Mangal**, Matt Fredrikson, Limin Jia, and Corina Pasareanu. Attacks and defenses for large language models on coding tasks. In *Proceedings of the 39th IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering*, pages 2268–2272, 2024

Ravi Mangal, Nina Narodytska, Divya Gopinath, Boyue Caroline Hu, Anirban Roy, Susmit Jha, and Corina S. Păsăreanu. Concept-based analysis of neural networks via vision-language models. In *AI Verification*. Springer Nature Switzerland, 2024

Corina Păsăreanu, **Ravi Mangal**, Divya Gopinath, and Huafeng Yu. Assumption generation for the verification of learning-enabled autonomous systems. In *International Conference on Runtime Verification*. Springer, 2023

Corina S Păsăreanu, **Ravi Mangal**, Divya Gopinath, Sinem Getir Yaman, Calum Imrie, Radu Calinescu, and Huafeng Yu. Closed-loop analysis of vision-based autonomous systems: A case study. In *International Conference on Computer Aided Verification*, pages 289–303. Springer, 2023

Ravi Mangal*, Zifan Wang*, Chi Zhang*, Klas Leino, Corina Păsăreanu, and Matt Fredrikson. On the Perils of Cascading Robust Classifiers. In *International Conference on Learning Representations*, ICLR '23, 2023

(α) Divya Gopinath, Luca Lungeanu, Ravi Mangal, Corina Păsăreanu, Siqi Xie, and Huafeng Yu. Feature-guided Analysis of Neural Networks. In Fundamental Approaches to Software Engineering, FASE'23. Springer, 2023

Klas Leino*, Chi Zhang*, **Ravi Mangal***, Matt Fredrikson, Bryan Parno, and Corina Păsăreanu. Degradation Attacks on Certifiably Robust Neural Networks. *Transactions on Machine Learning Research*, 2022

Ravi Mangal, Kartik Sarangmath, Aditya V. Nori, and Alessandro Orso. Probabilistic Lipschitz Analysis of Neural Networks. In *International Static Analysis Symposium*, SAS '20. Springer, 2020

Ravi Mangal, Aditya V. Nori, and Alessandro Orso. Robustness of Neural Networks: A Probabilistic and Practical Approach. In *Proceedings of the 41st International Conference on Software Engineering: New Ideas and Emerging Results*, ICSE-NIER '19, 2019

Sulekha Kulkarni, **Ravi Mangal**, Xin Zhang, and Mayur Naik. Accelerating Program Analyses by Cross-program Training. In *Proceedings of the 2016 ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Object-Oriented Programming*, Systems, Languages, and Applications, OOPSLA '16, 2016

Ravi Mangal, Xin Zhang, Aditya Kamath, Aditya V. Nori, and Mayur Naik. Scaling Relational Inference Using Proofs and Refutations. In *Thirtieth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence*, AAAI '16, 2016

Xin Zhang, Ravi Mangal, Aditya V. Nori, and Mayur Naik. Query-guided Maximum Satisfiability. In *Proceedings of the 43rd Annual ACM SIGPLAN-SIGACT Symposium on Principles of* Programming Languages, POPL '16, 2016

Ravi Mangal, Xin Zhang, Aditya V. Nori, and Mayur Naik. Volt: A Lazy Grounding Framework for Solving Very Large MaxSAT Instances. In *International Conference on Theory and Applications of Satisfiability Testing*, SAT '15, 2015

Ravi Mangal, Xin Zhang, Aditya V. Nori, and Mayur Naik. A User-guided Approach to Program Analysis. In *Proceedings of the 10th Joint Meeting on Foundations of Software Engineering*, ESEC/FSE '15, 2015

Xin Zhang, **Ravi Mangal**, Mayur Naik, and Hongseok Yang. Hybrid Top-down and Bottom-up Interprocedural Analysis. In *Proceedings of the 35th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, PLDI '14, 2014

Xin Zhang, Ravi Mangal, Radu Grigore, Mayur Naik, and Hongseok Yang. On Abstraction Refinement for Program Analyses in Datalog. In *Proceedings of the 35th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, PLDI '14, 2014

Ravi Mangal, Mayur Naik, and Hongseok Yang. A Correspondence Between Two Approaches to Interprocedural Analysis in the Presence of Join. In *Proceedings of the 23rd European Symposium on Programming Languages and Systems - Volume 8410*, ESOP '14, 2014

Workshop Papers and Abstracts

Ravi Mangal and Corina Păsăreanu. A Cascade of Checkers for Run-time Certification of Local Robustness. In 5th Workshop on Formal Methods for ML-Enabled Autonomous Systems, 2022

Klas Leino, Aymeric Fromherz, **Ravi Mangal**, Matt Fredrikson, Bryan Parno, and Corina Păsăreanu. Self-correcting Neural Networks for Safe Classification. In *5th Workshop on Formal Methods for ML-Enabled Autonomous Systems*, 2022

Ravi Mangal, Aditya V. Nori, and Alessandro Orso. Checking Probabilistic Properties of Neural Networks via Symbolic Methods and Sampling. In *First ICSE Workshop on Testing for Deep Learning and Deep Learning for Testing*, DeepTest '19, 2019

Ravi Mangal, David Devecsery, and Alessandro Orso. On Optimally Combining Static and Dynamic Analyses for Intensional Program Properties. In *The Southeast Regional Programming Languages Seminar*, SERPL '19, 2019

Technical Reports

Ravi Mangal, Xin Zhang, Mayur Naik, and Aditya V. Nori. Solving Weighted Constraints with Applications to Program Analysis. Technical report, Georgia Institute of Technology, 2015

	Invited to Dagstuhl Seminar on Resilience and Antifragility of Autonomous Systems		
	Invited to attend the DARPA AI Forward workshop 2023		
	Invited to Dagstuhl Seminar on Machine Learning and Logical Reasoning: The New Distinguished paper award at ESEC/ESE	2015	
	Distinguished paper award at ESEC/FSE Distinguished paper award at PLDI	2013	
	Distinguished paper award at PLDI		
	Best paper award nominee at ESOP Amongst the top reviewers at NeurIPS 202:	$2014 \\ 2, 2023, 2024$	
		2, 2023, 2024	
Grants	Adversarial Perturbations and Self-Defenses for LLMs on Coding Tasks IARPA		
	PI: Corina Păsăreanu; Co-PIs: Beidi Chen, Matt Fredrikson, Limin Jia, Ravi Manga	ıl	
	Total funds awarded: \$3,726,055 (CSU share: \$305,000)	2025-27	
	LLM Self-Defense Against Adversarial Attacks for Coding Tasks		
	CyLab Future Enterprise Security Initiative		
	PIs: Corina Păsăreanu, Limin Jia, Ravi Mangal		
	Total funds awarded: \$75,000	2023	
	Verifiable Personalization for Federated Learning		
	CyLab Future Enterprise Security Initiative		
	PIs: Corina Păsăreanu, Ravi Mangal		
	Total funds awarded: \$60,000	2022	
Research Talks	Invited Talks		
TODOETHIOTI THEMS	Concept-based Semantic Analysis of DNNs		
	University of Wyoming	April 2025	
	Analyzing Safety of Learning-enabled Systems: Bottom-up and Top-down Perspectives University of Colorado, Boulder November 2024		
	Closed-loop Analysis of Vision-based Autonomous Systems: A Case Stud Cohere for AI	y May 2024	
	Safety Analysis of Vision-based Autonomous Systems		
	CMU CyLab Partners Conference	Oct 2023	
	Civil Cyllab I artificis Comercine	000 2020	
	Feature-Guided Engineering of Neural Networks		
	CMU CyLab Partners Conference	Oct 2022	
	The Necessity of Run-time Techniques for Safe ML		
	Dagstuhl Seminar on Machine Learning and Logical Reasoning: The New Frontier	July 2022	
	Repairing Neural Classifiers at Run-time: Safety for Free		
	CMU CyLab Partners Conference	Oct 2021	
	A User-Guided Approach to Program Analysis		
	Microsoft Research India	Aug 2015	
	Conference and Workshop Presentations and Posters SAIV'24, CAV'23, FoMLAS'22, SAS'20, ICSE-NIER'19, DeepTest'19, SERPL'19, AAAI'16, SAT'15, FSE'15, ESOP'14		
Teaching	Instructor		

Spring 2025

EXPERIENCE

CS454 Principles of Programming Languages

Fall 2024
Spring 2016
Spring 2016
Fall 2013
Fall 2012
Fall 2011

Advising and	Md Abdul Hannan (MS at CSU)	Jan 2025 - Present
Mentoring	Harshit Singh (MS at CSU)	Jan 2025 - Present
Experience	Ronaldo Canizales (PhD at CSU)	Sept 2024 - Present
	Siqi Xi (MS at CMU)	Aug 2022 - July 2023
	Chi Zhang (PhD at CMU)	Mar 2021 - Present
	Kartik Sarangmath (BS/MS at Georgia Tech)	Aug 2019 - Dec 2022
	SIGPLAN-M	Oct 2020 - Present

PhD and Masters Rupasree Dey (PhD) Committees Eric Enos (PhD)

ACADEMIC SERVICE Eric Enos (PhD) Bassem Ghorbel (PhD) Md Nazmul Islam (PhD) Soumyadip Roy (PhD) William Scarbro (PhD) Siqi Xi (MS)

Jonathon Yallop (MS) Chi Zhang (PhD)

Program Committee

OOPSLA'26, FASE'26, CAV'25, SAIV'25, ASQAP'25, RAIE'25, VMCAI'25, AAAI'25, ICSE'25, FM'24, FMCAD'24, SAIV'24, IJCAI'24, NFM'24, CAIN'24, CAV'24

Colorado State University

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Reviewer

NSF Panel, ACM Journal on Responsible Computing, International Journal of Information Security, TOSEM, Journal of AI Research, IEEE Transactions on Big Data, TMLR, ICML'25, ICML'24, ICLR'24, NeurIPS'25, NeurIPS'24 (Top Reviewers), NeurIPS'23 (Top Reviewers), NeurIPS'22 (Top Reviewers), ICLR'22

Sub-Reviewer

NFM'23, POPL'22, CAIN'22, Oakland'22, PLDI'21, ICSE'20, ISSTA'20, FSE'19, FSE'18, ISSTA'18, SPIN'17, RV'17, JCST'17, ESSOS'17, CAV'14, HVC'14, ICSE-SRC'14

Artifact Evaluation Committee Member

OOPSLA'24, POPL'23, POPL'20, ISSTA'18, OOPSLA'17, OOPSLA'16