Ningning Xie

Professional Positions

Oct 2021- Research Associate.

University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK Advisor: Jeremy Yallop and Neel Krishnaswami

May-Sept 2021 Research Intern.

DeepMind, London, UK. Mentor: Dimitrios Vytiniotis.

Jan-Aug 2020 Research Intern.

Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA.

Mentor: Daan Leijen.

Aug-Nov 2019 Software Engineer Intern.

Google, New York City, NY. Team: Google Search.

Education

Aug 2021 Ph.D., Computer Science.

University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

Advisor: Bruno. C. d. S. Oliveira.

April 2017 M.Phil., Computer Science.

University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

July 2015 B.S. (with Honors), Computer Science and Technology.

Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China GPA 3.9/4.0, Rank 2% (4/204). Outstanding Graduate (Top 5%).

Selected Honors and Awards

- 2021 ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award (PLDI 2021)
- 2020 EECS Rising Stars, UC Berkeley
- 2020 ACM SIGPLAN Distinguished Paper Award (POPL 2020)
- 2020 Special issue of ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS)

Publications

- ECOOP'22 Baber Rehman, Xuejing Huang, Ningning Xie, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira. Union Types with Disjoint Switches.
- MLSys'22 Ningning Xie, Tamara Norman, Diminik Grewe, Dimitrios Vytiniotis. Synthesizing Optimal Parallelism Placement and Reduction Strategies on Hierarchical Systems for Deep Learning. 5th Conference on Machine Learning and Systems, MLSys 2022.
- POPL'22 Ningning Xie, Matthew Pickering, Andres Löh, Nicolas Wu, Jeremy Yallop, Meng Wang. Staging with Class: A Specification for Typed Template Haskell. 49th Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages, POPL 2022.

- ICFP'21 Ningning Xie, Daan Leijen. Generalized Evidence Passing for Effect Handlers: Efficient Compilation of Effect Handlers to C. 26th International Conference on Functional Programming, ICFP 2021.
- PLDI'21 Alex Reinking*, Ningning Xie*, Leonardo de Moura, Daan Leijen. Perceus: Garbage Free Reference Counting with Reuse. 42rd Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation, PLDI 2021. (Distinguished Paper Award)
- Haskell'20 Ningning Xie, Daan Leijen. Effect Handlers in Haskell, Evidently. 13th Haskell Symposium, Haskell 2020.
 - ICFP'20 Ningning Xie, Jonathan Brachthäuser, Daniel Hillerström, Philipp Schuster, Daan Leijen. Effect Handlers, Evidently. 25th International Conference on Functional Programming, ICFP 2020.
- POPL'20 Ningning Xie, Richard A. Eisenberg, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira. Kind Inference for Datatypes. 47th Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages, POPL 2020. (Distinguished Paper Award)
- ECOOP'20 Ningning Xie, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira, Xuan Bi, Tom Schrijvers. Row and Bounded Polymorphism via Disjoint Polymorphism. 34th European Conference on Object Oriented Programming, ECOOP 2020.
- TOPLAS'20 Ningning Xie, Xuan Bi, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira, Tom Schrijvers. Consistent Subtyping for All. *ACM Transaction on Programming Languages and Systems*, TOPLAS 2020.
 - ICFP'19 Gert-Jan Bottu, Ningning Xie, Koar Marntirosian, Tom Schrijvers. Coherence of Type Class Resolution. 24th International Conference on Functional Programming, ICFP 2019.
 - ESOP'19 Xuan Bi, Ningning Xie, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira, Tom Schrijvers. Distributive Disjoint Polymorphism for Compositional Programming. 28th European Symposium on Programming, ESOP 2019.
 - ESOP'18 Ningning Xie, Xuan Bi, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira. Consistent Subtyping for All. 27th European Symposium on Programming, ESOP 2018. (Selected for Special Issue of ACM Transaction on Programming Languages and Systems)
 - ESOP'18 Ningning Xie, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira. Let Arguments Go First. 27th European Symposium on Programming, ESOP 2018.

 Workshops
 - PEPM'22 Ningning Xie*, Daniel D. Johnson*, Dougal Maclaurin, Adam Paszke. Parallel Algebraic Effect Handlers. ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Partial Evaluation and Program Manipulation, PEPM 2022, co-located with POPL 2022.
 - HOPE'21 Ningning Xie, Youyou Cong, Daan Leijen. First-class Names for Effect Handlers. *ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Higher-Order Programming with Effects*, HOPE 2021, co-located with ICFP 2021.
 - HIW'18 Ningning Xie, Richard A. Eisenberg. Coercion Quantification. 10th Haskell Implementors' Workshop, HIW 2018, co-located with ICFP 2018.
 - TFP'17 Ningning Xie, Bruno C. d. S. Oliveira. Towards Unification for Dependent Types. 18th Symposium on Trends in Functional Programming, TFP

Professional Activities

Steering Committee

 $2020\hbox{-}2023\quad \hbox{Haskell Symposium Steering Committee}\\$

Program Chair

HIW 2021 13th Haskell Implementors' Workshop

Program Committee

- POPL 2023 50th Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages
- HOPE 2022 9th Workshop on Higher-Order Programming with Effects
- Scala 2022 13th Scala Symposium
- ICFP 2022 27th International Conference on Functional Programming
- TFP 2022 23rd Symposium on Trends in Functional Programming
- FLOPS 2022 16th International Symposium on Functional and Logic Programming
 - PADL 2021 23rd International Symposium on Practical Aspects of Declarative Languages
- Haskell 2019 12th Haskell Symposium
 - HIW 2019 11th Haskell Implementor's Workshop

Artifact Evaluation Committee

- PLDI 2020 41st Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation
- ICFP 2019 24th International Conference on Functional Programming

External Reviewer

ICFP 2019, ECOOP 2019, FLOPS 2018, ESOP 2017, APLAS 2017, APLAS 2016

Student Volunteer

ESOP 2019, ICFP 2018, PLDI 2018, APSys 2016

Invited Talks

Language Theory into Practice, A Play in Three Acts

- April 2021 Google Brain
- April 2021 Cornell University
- April 2021 University of Toronto
- April 2021 Microsoft Research Redmond
- Mar 2021 Carnegie Mellon University
- Mar 2021 University of Waterloo (CS)
- Mar 2021 ETH Zurich
- Mar 2021 University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Feb 2021 EPFL
- Feb 2021 Max Planck Institute for Software Systems
- Feb 2021 University of Waterloo (ECE)
- Feb 2021 Georgia Institute of Technology

Staging with Class: A Specification of Typed Template Haskell

- May 2022 YOW! Lambda Jam 2022.
- Dec 2021 Programming Languages Seminar. EPFL.

Efficient Compilation of Algebraic Effect Handlers.

- Dec 2021 International Symposium on High Confidence Software. Peking University.
- Oct 2021 8th International Workshop on Dependable and Secure Software Systems. ETH Zurich.
 - Perceus: Garbage Free Reference Counting with Reuse.
- Mar 2021 Laboratory for Foundations of Computer Science. The University of Edinburgh.

Type-based Language Design.

- Dec 2020 Programming Languages Seminar. Peking University.
- Dec 2020 John Hopcroft Center for Computer Science. Shanghai Jiao Tong University.

Dependent Types in Haskell.

- Dec 2018 Hong Kong Functional Programming Meetup. Hong Kong.
 - Consistent Subtyping for All.
- May 2018 Penn PLClub. University of Pennsylvania. PA, US.

Teaching

- Aug 2021 [Tutorial] Programming with Effect Handlers and FBIP in Koka @ ICFP 2021
- Nov 2019 [Instructor] Haskell 101, Google, New York City
- Spring 2019 [Teaching Assistant] Principles of Programming Languages, University of Hong Kong
 - Fall 2017 [Teaching Assistant] Functional Programming, University of Hong Kong

Mentoring

- June 2022 [Panelist] Programming Language Mentoring Workshop (PLMW) @ PLDI 2022
- Oct 2021- [Mentoring] SIGPLAN Long-Term Mentoring Program (SIGPLAN-M)
- Jan 2021 [Mentoring] Programming Language Mentoring Workshop (PLMW) @ POPL 2021
- Nov 2020 [Mentoring] Programming Language Mentoring Workshop (PLMW) @ SPLASH 2020
 - 2020 [Mentoring] Xu Xue (PhD)
- 2020-2022 [Mentoring] Baber Rehman (PhD), Xuejing Huang (PhD)