

# ZHUANGDI ZHU

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## EDUCATION

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### Michigan State University, USA

- Ph.D., Computer Science
- GPA: 4.0/4.0; Senior teaching assistant.

*Jan 2017 - Present*

### Australian National University, Australia

- Exchange Program, Computer Science
- GPA: HD/HD\* (*\*High Distinction*).

*July 2014 - Dec 2014*

### Nanjing University of Science and Technology, China

- B.S., Computer Science
- GPA: 3.74/4.0; *National Scholarship* winner.

*Sept 2011 - June 2015*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Zhuangdi's research interest resides in the general area of *Machine Learning*. She has developed principled algorithms to facilitate practical applications, including *Algorithmic Trading*, *Human Computer Interaction*, *Internet of Things*, etc. Her current research focus is *Reinforcement Learning* and *Distributed Machine Learning*. Besides *ML*, her previous research experience also involves *Systems* and *Wireless Networking*.

## PUBLICATIONS

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1. Zhuangdi Zhu, Junyuan Hong, and Jiayu Zhou. **Data-Free Knowledge Distillation for Heterogeneous Federated Learning**. Proceedings of the 38-th *International Conference on Machine Learning*, PMLR 139, 2021.
2. Junyuan Hong, Zhuangdi Zhu, and Jiayu Zhou. **Federated Adversarial Debiasing for Fair and Transferable Representations**. Proceedings of the 27th *ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery and Data Mining*. 2021.
3. Xiaoyu Ji, Yushi Cheng, Wenyan Xu, Yuehan Chi, Hao Pan, Zhuangdi Zhu, Chuang-Wen You, Yi-Chao, and Lili Qiu. **No Seeing is Also Believing: Electromagnetic-emission-based Application Guessing Attacks via Smartphones**. *IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing* 2021.
4. Zhuangdi Zhu, Kaixiang Lin, Bo Dai, and Jiayu Zhou. **Off-Policy Imitation Learning from Observations**. 34th Conference on *Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2020)*.
5. Zhuangdi Zhu, Kaixiang Lin, and Jiayu Zhou. **Transfer Learning in Deep Reinforcement Learning: A Survey**. arXiv preprint arXiv:2009.07888 (2020).
6. Zhuangdi Zhu, Kaixiang Lin, Bo Dai, and Jiayu Zhou. **Learning Sparse Rewarded Tasks from Sub-Optimal Demonstrations**. arXiv preprint arXiv:2004.00530 (2020).
7. Philip Quinn and Zhuangdi Zhu. **Sensing Hand Gestures Using Optical Sensors**. US Patent App (16/243,767), 2020.
8. Zhuangdi Zhu, Alex X. Liu, Fan Zhang, and Fei Chen. **FPGA Resource Pooling in Cloud Computing**. *IEEE Transactions on Cloud Computing*, in press, 2019.

9. Zhangjie, Fu, Jiashuang Xu, **Zhuangdi Zhu**, Alex X. Liu, and Xingming Sun. **Writing in the Air with WiFi Signals for Virtual Reality Devices.** *IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing*, vol. 18, no. 2, pp. 473-484, 1 Feb. 2019.
10. Zhao, Yangming, Chen Tian, **Zhuangdi Zhu**, Jie Cheng, Chunming Qiao, and Alex X. Liu. **Minimize the Make-span of Batched Requests for FPGA Pooling in Cloud Computing.** *IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems*, vol. 29, no. 11, pp. 2514-2527, 1 Nov. 2018.
11. **Zhuangdi Zhu**, Yi-Chao Chen, Fan Zhang, and Chuang-Wen You. **MagAttack: Remote App Sensing with Your Phone (Extended Abstract).** In *Proceedings of the 18th ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing (UBICOMP)*, 2016.

## EXPERIENCE

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### Facebook

*PhD Engineer Intern*

*June 2019 - Aug 2019*

*Washington, United States*

- Delivered online machine learning pipelines to fight against image abuse at facebook Pages.
- Designed and built highly robust classifiers to detect unoriginal image posting in real-time, with back-testing accuracy higher than 90%.
- Skills involved: machine learning, graph theory.

### CyberX

*Research Intern*

*Jan 2019 - May 2019*

*Beijing, China*

- Integrated deep machine learning techniques to advance the performance of crypto market making. Research results include:
  - Price prediction for high-frequency trading using recurrent neural networks.
  - Rare volatility prediction using multi-task learning.
  - Fair value determination using graph theory.
- Skills involved: machine learning, market making, graph theory.

### Google

*PhD Engineer Intern*

*May 2018 - Aug 2018*

*California, United States*

- Designed a smartwatch platform to enable realtime gesture interactions.
- Implemented a prototype with optical and motion sensors that recognize user gestures in real time.
- Built a generative model which achieve the gesture detection accuracy of above 96%.
- Skills involved: human computer interaction, machine learning, signal processing, UX Design.

### Huawei FNTL

*Research Associate*

*Mar 2016 - Aug 2016*

*Hong Kong, China*

- Leded a research which leverages a mobile phone to track the user operations of a nearby laptop.
- Applied machine learning to detect user operations such as opening applications or web pages.
- Skills involved: machine learning, side channel attack, wireless networking, signal processing.

### IBM

*Research Intern*

*Mar 2015 - Jul 2015*

*Beijing, China*

- Enabled FPGA accelerators sharing in the Cloud with RDMA network.
- Implemented FPGA virtualization and remote access in an OpenStack-based cloud.
- Designed FPGA scheduling algorithms based on the M/G/K queue structure.
- Skills involved: hardware acceleration, resource virtualization, cloud scheduling.