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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Engineering *August 2022 - June 2027(expected)*
Clemson University, Clemson, SC
Advisor: Prof. Xiaolong Ma

M.S. in Computer Science *August 2020 - May 2022*
University of Delaware, Newark, DE

B.E. in Software Engineering *September 2016 - June 2020*
Wuhan Institute of Technology, Wuhan, China

AREA OF INTEREST

1. Efficient ML (pre-training/fine-tuning and inference, model compression)
2. Algorithm-hardware co-design for mobile device.
3. Fairness and robustness in broad AI application.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Clemson University *09/2022 - current*
Research Assistant, Advisor: Prof. Xiaolong Ma Co-advisor: Prof. Linke Guo

University of Delaware *01/2022 - 05/2022*
Teaching Assistant

AWARDS & HONORS

1. Highlight Paper, IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2023.
2. Spotlight Paper Award, ICLR 2023 Sparsity in Neural Networks (SNN) workshop.

PUBLICATIONS LIST

Conference Publication (* Equal Contribution)

1. [23'CVPR] [**Highlight paper: top 2.5%**] Gen Li, Jie Ji, Minghai Qin, Wei Niu, Bin Ren, Fatemeh Afghah, Linke Guo, Xiaolong Ma, "Towards High-Quality and Efficient Video Super-Resolution via Spatial-Temporal Data Overfitting", in Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR, 2023)
2. [23'NeurIPS] Lu Yin, Gen Li, Meng Fang, Li Shen, Tianjin Huang, Zhangyang Wang, Vlado Menkovski, Xiaolong Ma, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Shiwei Liu, "Dynamic Sparsity Is Channel-Level Sparsity Learner", in Proceedings of the 37th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2023, **acceptance rate: 26.1%**).
3. [24'ICLR] Gen Li, Lu Yin, Jie Ji, Wei Niu, Minghai Qin, Bin Ren, Linke Guo, Shiwei Liu, Xiaolong Ma, "NeurRev: Train Better Sparse Neural Network Practically via Neuron Revitalization."
4. [24'ICML] Jie Ji*, Gen Li*, Lu Yin, Minghai Qin, Geng Yuan, Linke Guo, Shiwei Liu, Xiaolong Ma, "Advancing Dynamic Sparse Training by Exploring Optimization Opportunities"

5. [24'ICML] Lu Yin, You Wu, Zhenyu Zhang, Cheng-Yu Hsieh, Yaqing Wang, Yiling Jia, Gen Li, Ajay Jaiswal, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Yi Liang, Michael Bendersky, Zhangyang Wang, Shiwei Liu “Advancing Dynamic Sparse Training by Exploring Optimization Opportunities”
6. [24'ECCV] Gen Li, Zhihao Shu, Jie Ji, Minghai Qin, Fatemeh Afghah, Wei Niu, Xiaolong Ma, “Data Overfitting for On-Device Super-Resolution with Dynamic Algorithm and Compiler Co-Design”
7. [24'NeurIPS] Jie Ji, Gen Li, Jingjing Fu, Fatemeh Afghah, Linke Guo, Xiaoyong Yuan, Xiaolong Ma, “A Single-Step, Sharpness-Aware Minimization is All You Need to Achieve Efficient and Accurate Sparse Training”
8. [25'S&P] Gen Li, Chun-Chih Lin, Xiaonan Zhang, Xiaolong Ma, Linke Guo, “Adversarial Robust ViT-based Automatic Modulation Recognition in Practical Deep Learning-based Wireless Systems”

Workshop Publication

1. [23'ICLR-SNN] [**Spotlight Paper**] Lu Yin, Gen Li, Meng Fang, Li Shen, Tianjin Huang, Zhangyang Wang, Vlado Menkovski, Xiaolong Ma, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Shiwei Liu, “Dynamic Sparsity is Channel-Level Sparsity Learner”, (ICLR 2023 Sparsity in Neural Networks workshop).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- **Technical Program Committee member / Reviewer:**
 - IEEE Transactions on Multimedia
 - IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics & Security
 - Conference on Parsimony and Learning (CPAL 2024)
 - The International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR2025)