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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver, Canada

MSc. in Computer Science

November 2024

- GPA 4.00, TOEFL: Reading 30, Listening 30, Speaking 27, Writing 25
- Coursework: Software Engineering, Automated Testing, Type Systems, Deep Learning with Structure

WUHAN UNIVERSITY

Wuhan, China

BEng. in Software Engineering, Outstanding Graduate

June 2022

- GPA 3.93, GRE: Verbal Reasoning 165, Quantitative Reasoning 170, Analytical Writing 4.5
- Coursework: Operating Systems, Database Systems, Software Engineering, Embedded Software Design, Computer Systems: A Programmer's Perspective, Compilation Technology and Application

EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver, Canada

QuAC: Quick Attribute-Centric Type Inference for Python

JANUARY 2023 - AUGUST 2024

- Implemented QuAC, a novel Python type inference tool using attribute sets and information retrieval.
- QuAC demonstrated high coverage and accuracy, outperforming non-LLM baselines, especially in predicting container type parameters and non-built-in types, while significantly reducing run times.
- Compared to LLM-based methods, QuAC is nearly two orders of magnitude faster while achieving greater consistency in its container type parameter predictions.
- Accepted to Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages, Issue OOPSLA, 2024
- GitHub: github.com/jifengwu2k/quac

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Vancouver, Canada

Impact of Synthetic Data on Image Captioning Models

OCTOBER 2023 - DECEMBER 2023

- Image classification models trained on real data augmented with data from "in-the-wild" generative models can achieve high accuracy and robustness. However, for *image captioning models*, we found that combining real and generated data during training can hurt their performance and robustness.
- Nevertheless, image captioning models trained on synthetic images and fine-tuned with real data outperform those trained solely on real data, highlighting the potential of using synthetic images for pretraining.
- GitHub: github.com/jifengwu2k/The-Impact-of-Synthetic-Data-on-Image-Captioning-Models

WUHAN UNIVERSITY

Wuhan, China

Effective Stack Wear Leveling for NVM

August 2021 - August 2022

- Proposed Loop2Recursion, a stack wear leveling technique implemented as an LLVM pass for increasing the lifespan of NVM with limited write durability by converting wear-heavy loops into recursive functions.
- Loop2Recursion outperforms state-of-the-art methods by significantly improving stack wear leveling and reducing performance overhead.
- Published in IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems, 2023
- GitHub: github.com/jifengwu2k/loop2recursion

WUHAN UNIVERSITY Wuhan, China

Community Detection Using Social Networks and Trajectories

SEPTEMBER **2019** - **A**UGUST **2021**

- Explored using trajectories to identify spatiotemporally cohesive user groups in large social networks.
- Developed a linear-time spatiotemporal trajectory similarity algorithm and community detection algorithm.
- Comprehensive evaluations on two datasets demonstrated the effectiveness and efficiency of these algorithms.
- GitHub: github.com/jifengwu2k/community-detection-using-social-relations-and-trajectories

OPEN-SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS

INTERACTIVE DEPENDENCY RESOLVER

PyPI (Python 2+)

- A tool to interactively resolve Python wheel dependencies for debugging "dependency hell" scenarios.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/interactive-dependency-resolver

PYTHON C-API WRAPPER

GitHub (Python 2+, C++11)

- Lightweight C++11 wrapper for Python's C API using RAII for safe reference management.
- GitHub: github.com/jifengwu2k/python-api-wrapper

IPYTHON KERNEL EXECUTOR

PyPI (Python 2+)

- Isolated, sandboxed Python execution environment with comprehensive output capture capabilities.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/ipython-kernel-executor

PROCLAUNCH PyPI (Python 2+)

- Spawn Windows/Unix processes through ctypes and native APIs, without subprocess or shell interpretation.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/proclaunch

RESUMABLE FILE SERVER

PyPI (Python 2+)

- Drop-in replacement for http.server with support for HTTP Range requests for efficient large file transfers.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/resumable-file-server

UNICODE STRING TO IDENTIFIER

PyPI (Python 2+)

- Text normalization tool that converts arbitrary input to valid Python identifiers while preserving semantics.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/unicode-string-to-identifier

PUT-BACK ITERATOR PyPI (Python 2+)

- Iterator that allows putting items back after consuming them for lookahead or backtracking.
- PyPI: pypi.org/project/put-back-iterator

SKILLS

- Languages: Python (Expert), C/C++ (Advanced), Bash.
- Frameworks: PyTorch, NetworkX, PyQt/PySide, LLVM, Intel Pin, Git, Docker.
- Domains: Compilers, Type Systems, Systems Programming, Developer Tooling.

AWARDS

- 3x Outstanding Student Scholarship (Top 5%); 2x Advanced Individual in Social Work
- China Software Cup (Second Prize, 2020); Service Outsourcing Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition for Chinese College Students (Third Prize, 2021)