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Education

Rice University

Aug 2021 – May 2025

Dual Degree: BA in Mathematics, BS in Computer Science

MAJOR GPA: 3.80

- **4-year Roy Trustee Distinguish Scholarship (TOP1% Based on Holistic Evaluation)**
- **Coursework:** Data Structure and Algorithm, Concurrent&Parallel PROG, Computer Network&Architecture, Mobile&Embedded Sys, Machine Learning, Compiler Construction, Calculus&Linear Algebra, Combinatorics, Number Theory, Real Analysis, Topology, Differential Equation

Experience

Student Researcher

Houston, TX

Supervised by Xia Hu, DATA Lab, Rice University

Aug 2023 – Sep 2024

- Led the comprehensive audit and enhancement of the MQuAKE dataset, addressing critical flaws and redefining standards for multi-hop knowledge editing.
- Designed and implemented solutions including the dynamic masking and GWalk algorithms to advance state-of-the-art LLM knowledge editing.

Lead Researcher

Houston, TX

Supervised by Xia Hu, DATA Lab, Rice University

Mar 2024 – Present

- Developed a hybrid AI-driven system combining LLMs with neural-symbolic reasoning to automate fault detection and performance tuning in large-scale distributed environments.
- Introduced a graph-theoretic technique to model and analyze complex interdependencies in distributed architectures, enhancing system diagnostics and optimization workflows.

Research Intern

Remote

Supervised by Tegawendé F.BISSYANDE, TruX Lab, University of Luxembourg

Sep 2023 – Present

- Designed a hyperbolic model, analyze its ability to capture hierarchical relationships between code and natural language.
- Reframed traditional code retrieval tasks into a representation learning framework, achieving a 3.5%-4% improvement over state-of-the-art code search models.

Lead Researcher

Remote

Supervised by Tegawendé F.BISSYANDE, TruX Lab, University of Luxembourg

June 2024 – Present

- Led the development of AnyCoding, an AI-powered autonomous programming system addressing limitations of existing single-file repair tools by employing dynamic call graphs for holistic code repair.
- Designed advanced routing algorithms and intelligent agents that resolve interdependent issue resolution across variables, methods, classes, and filenames.
- Achieved 32% resolved rate on the SWE-bench-lite dataset and 73% resolved rate on 15 full-scale code projects. Co-authored a paper, which is currently under review at ACL 2025.

Teaching Assistant

Houston, TX

Supervised by Michael Burke, The Department of Computer Science, Rice University

Aug 2023 – Present

- Organize, lead, and supervise laboratory sessions. Guide students on applications of data structures and algorithms.
- Developed lecture presentations and created exam and homework questions to support course instruction.
- Designed grading rubrics and evaluated assignments, exams, and projects.

Software Engineer Intern

China

Mentored by Jiameng Huang, R&D Department, Microsoft Corp.

June 2023 – Aug 2023

- Engineered an end-to-end solution to optimize Microsoft Teams metadata processing, improving search relevance and engagement metrics for 150M+ users globally.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams, including product managers and UX designers, to enhance telemetry logging for user interaction analytics and feature usage monitoring.
- Designed and implemented scalable data pipelines using Python, Azure Data Factory, and Azure Synapse Analytics,

ensuring high reliability and real-time data processing capabilities.

- Developed and deployed an interactive Power BI dashboard to visualize key performance indicators, empowering stakeholders to make data-driven decisions and improve system performance.

Machine Learning Engineer Intern

Mentored by Zhendong Wang, Intelligent Creation Lab ByteDance Corp.

China

May 2022 – Aug 2022

- Engaged in deep learning techniques to develop an image captioning system that describes input images with relevant text.
- Utilized a CNN encoder, adopting the pre-trained InceptionV3 model. Implemented a GRU-based decoder for the caption generation process.
- Spearheaded algorithmic development using Python and transitioned to backend interface coding using Java in the project's latter stages.

Projects

BESSER-PEARL: A Low-Code Open Source Environment for Modeling Complex Systems

- Contributed to the development of a low-code platform enabling users to model, simulate, and analyze complex systems.
- Designed intuitive workflows and developed features to support both graphical and textual modeling paradigms.

AR Guided TBP Capturing: Specifications and Requirements Documentation

- Developed an AR-guided mobile application for Total Body Photography (TBP) to aid in early skin cancer detection while ensuring privacy compliance.
- Implemented AR-guided positioning, multi-angle photography, and automated blurring for patient confidentiality.
- Designed features for patient data management, doctor collaboration, and consent-based data sharing.
- Built a scalable backend with Flask and MongoDB, integrated AWS S3 for photo storage, and ensured HIPAA compliance.

OwlDb Database Web Service

- Designed and implemented a RESTful web service using Go to provide a robust, network-accessible NoSQL document database. Enabled CRUD operations for JSON documents, allowing users to create, modify, retrieve, and delete entries effortlessly.
- Integrated a real-time observation mechanism for monitoring changes in documents, delivering instant updates to clients.
- Implemented efficient indexing and search mechanisms, optimizing performance for high-volume data access and operations. Leveraged the HTTP protocol for seamless integration with two platforms.

Publications and Papers

[🔗 HoCoS: Hyperbolic Representation Towards Code Search](#)

Xunzhu Tang*, **Lize Shao***, Yewei Song, Saad Ezzini, Haoye Tian, Jiechao Gao, Jacques Klein, Tegawendé F Bissyandé

[🔗 MQuAKE-Remastered: Multi-Hop Knowledge Editing Can Only Be Advanced With Reliable Evaluations](#)

Shaochen Zhong, Yifan Lu, **Lize Shao**, Bhargav Bhushanam, Xiaocong Du, Louis Feng, Yixin Wan, Yucheng Shi, Daochen Zha, Yiwei Wang, Ninghao Liu, Kaixiong Zhou, Shuai Xu, Vipin Chaudhary, Xia Hu

[🔗 AnyCoding: An Autonomous Artificial Intelligent Programmer](#)

Lize Shao*, Xunzhu Tang*, Jiechao Gao, Haoye Tian, Bach D X Le, Jacques Klein, Tegawendé F. Bissyandé

[🔗 Zero-Shot Stance Detection Enhanced with Augmented Background Knowledge Based on LLMs](#)

Lize Shao, Jacky Jiang*, Jerry Wei*, Vicente Ordóñez-Román

Fed-UGen: Uncertainty-Guided Federated Learning for Domain Generalization

Lize Shao*, Creed Gao*

Awards

- **Roy Trustee Distinguished Scholarship** — TOP 1% Based on Holistic Evaluation 2021-Present
- **Rice Datathon** — 2nd Place in the Chevron Challenge 2023
- **USA Computing Olympiad** — Global TOP 52 2021
- **USA Math Olympiad** — Qualified for USAMO (Global Top 100) 2020
- **Canadian Math Olympiad** — Global Gold Award 2020