

# CURRICULUM VITAE SHIWEI LIU

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## EDUCATION

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**Eindhoven University of Technology (TU/e), The Netherlands** *Mar 2018 - April 2022*  
Ph.D., Department of Mathematics and Computer Science  
*w. Cum Laude/Distinguished Dissertations*  
Promotors: Prof. Dr. Mykola Pechenizkiy; Dr. Decebal Constantin Mocanu

**Harbin Institute of Technology, China** *Sep 2015 - Jul 2017*  
M.Eng, School of Mechanical Engineering and Automation

**North University of China, China** *Sep 2011 - Jul 2015*  
B.Eng., Control Engineering

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Royal Society Newton International Fellow** *Jan 2024 - Present*  
University of Oxford, UK  
Mathematical Institute  
Host: Prof. Jared Tanner

**Postdoctoral Fellow** *Sep 2022 - Oct 2023*  
University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin), USA  
Institute for Foundations of Machine Learning (IFML)  
Host: Dr. Zhangyang (Atlas) Wang

**Doctoral Researcher** *Mar 2018 - Apr 2022*  
Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands  
Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Mykola Pechenizkiy, Dr. Decebal Constantin Mocanu

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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- Machine Learning, Efficient Training, Scaling & Inference (with System/Hardware Co-Design)
- Large Language Models (LLMs)
- Trustworthy ML: Safety, Privacy and Fairness

## AWARDS AND HONOURS

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- Rising Star in AI, KAUST, [Link](#) *01/2024*
- Rising Star Award, Conference on Parsimony and Learning (CPAL), [Link](#) *10/2023*
- Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award Runner-Up, Informatics Europe, [Link](#) *10/2023*
- Newton International Fellowship Award, Royal Society & British Academy, 8%, [Link](#) *09/2023*
- Carnegie Bosch Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University & Bosch, [Link](#) *04/2023*
- Best Paper Award, Learning on Graphs Conference (LoG 2022) *11/2022*
- AAAI-23 Travel Scholarship, USA *12/2022*
- Cum Laude (Distinguished Ph.D. thesis), Eindhoven University of Technology, NL, 5% *4/2022*
- Outstanding Intern, JD Explore Academy, 2% *10/2021*
- The First Class Scholarship, Harbin Institute of Technology, China *07/2017*

- China National Scholarship, China, 0.2% 10/2016
- The First Class Scholarship, Harbin Institute of Technology, China 07/2016
- The Outstanding Graduate, North University of China, China 07/2015

## GRANTS (TOTAL: \$1,272,177)

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- **Newton International Fellowship Award**

Funding Body: Royal Society & British Academy

Value of Award: 394,851 GBP (\$481,746)

Duration: January 2024 - January 2027

Role on the Grant: PI

- **NWO Grants for Computing Time**

Funding Body: The Dutch Research Council (NWO)

Value of Award: \$90,431.5

Duration: April 2023 - April 2025

Role on the Grant: PI (with Mykola Pechenizkiy and Lu Yin)

- **IFML Postdoctoral Fellowship**

Funding Body: The NSF AI Institute for Foundations of Machine Learning (IFML)

Value of Award: \$160,000

Duration: September 2022 - September 2024

Role on the Grant: PI

- **NWO Grants for Computing Time**

Funding Body: The Dutch Research Council (NWO)

Value of Award: \$220,000

Duration: April 2022 - April 2024

Role on the Grant: PI (with Mykola Pechenizkiy and Decebal Constantin Mocanu)

- **Carnegie Bosch Fellowships** (declined)

Funding Body: CMU and Bosch

Value of Award: \$160,000

Duration: 2023 - 2025

Role on the Grant: PI

## INVITED TALKS

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- University of Luxembourg. Organizer: Decebal Constantin Mocanu. Jun. 2024
- University of Sheffield. Organizer: Nikolaos Aletras, Cass Zhixue Zhao Jun. 2024
- LTL seminars. University of Cambridge. Organizer: Anna Korhonen, Nigel Collier, and Ivan Vuli Jun. 2024
- CIMDA-Oxford seminars. University of Oxford. Organizer: Coralia Cartis, Terry Lyons Apr. 2024
- Data Science Seminar. University of Oxford. Organizer: Jared Tanner Feb. 2024
- Rising Star in AI Symposium. KAUST. Organizer: Juergen Schmidhuber Feb. 2024
- LIRA Seminar. Lancaster University. Organizer: Plamen Angelov Feb. 2024
- Chinese University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen. Organizer: Ruoyu Sun Jan. 2024
- Rising Star in Cpal Conference. The University of Hong Kong. Organizer: Yi Ma Jan. 2024
- University of Edinburgh. Organizer: Sotirios Tsaftaris Jul. 2023
- Zhidx. Organizer: Zhidx Jul. 2023
- CTSTA Workshop in PLDI 2023. Organizer: Fredrik Kjolstad, Saman Amarasinghe, Michelle Mills Strout Jun. 2023
- EfficientML Reading Group. Organizer: Olga Saukh May. 2023
- Sparsity Reading Group. Organizer: Anna Golubeva, Dan Alistarh, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Gintare Karolina Dziugaite, Utku Evci, Yani Ioannou Mar. 2023

- Sharc Group, Organizer: Cong Hao Mar. 2023
- IFML, Organizer: Adam Klivans, Alexandros Dimakis Jan. 2023
- LoG2022 Meetup, Organizer: Jure Leskovec, Kexin Huang Dec. 2022
- NCSU Reliable & Efficient Computing Lab, Organizer: Dongkuan Xu Nov. 2022
- EIC Lab, Organizer: Yingyan Lin Sep. 2022
- AI XinQingNian Nov. 2022
- Data Mining Group, Organizer: Mykola Pechenizkiy May. 2022

## EDUCATIONAL AND TEACHING ACTIVITIES

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### Teaching

- 2IMM00 Seminar Data Mining and AI for MSc, Eindhoven University of Technology Oct. 2023

### Tutorial Presentation

- ICASSP 2024, “Sparsity in Large Language Models: The New Odyssey”, Seoul, Korea, Apr. 2024  
Co-organizer & Presenter; 75-min tutorial presentation on sparsity in Large Language Models (LLMs).
- VITA group workshop, “Sparsity and Efficiency”, Austin, USA Sep. 2023  
Presenter; 60-min tutorial presentation on recent works on sparse and efficient LLMs.
- IJCAI 2023, “Sparse Training for Supervised, Unsupervised, Continual, and Deep Reinforcement Learning with Deep Neural Networks”, Macao, China. Link Aug. 2023  
Co-organizer & Presenter; 60-min tutorial presentation from sparse training to sparse scaling.
- ECMLPKDD 2022, “Sparse Neural Network Training”, Grenoble, France. Link Sep. 2022  
Co-organizer & Presenter; 45-min tutorial presentation on understanding sparse neural network training with supervised learning.

### Students Mentoring

PhD Students - Research Advisor:

- Lu Yin, Eindhoven University of Technology Dec. 2021 - Current
- Tianjin Huang, Eindhoven University of Technology Dec. 2021 - Current
- Boqian Wu, University of Twente Aug. 2022 - Current
- Qiao Xiao, Eindhoven University of Technology Aug. 2021 - Current
- Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, University of Texas at Austin Sep. 2022 - Current
- Duc N.M Hoang, University of Texas at Austin Sep. 2022 - Current
- Zhenyu Zhang, University of Texas at Austin Sep. 2022 - Current

Master Students - Research Advisor:

- Shu Wang, University of Oxford May. 2024 - Aug. 2024
- Tiansheng Huang, South China University of Technology Jun. 2021 - Dec. 2021

Undergraduate Students - Research Advisor:

- Honors Academy: Simon Sukup, Austin Roose, Angelos Mangos, Mikoaj Pujanek, Eleftheria Kolokytha, Eindhoven University of Technology Nov. 2023 - Present

## SERVICE

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- 2024:** Conference Reviewer: ICML, ICLR, NeurIPS, AAAI, AISTATS, CPAL  
Journal Reviewer: Journal of Selected Topics in Signal Processing, TMLR, TPAMI
- 2023:** Area Chair: ICIP  
Conference Reviewer: NeurIPS, ICML, ICLR, CVPR, ICCV, AAAI, UAI, DAC  
Journal Reviewer: JMLR, TPAMI, IJCV
- 2022:** Area Chair: ICIP  
Conference Reviewer: NeurIPS, ICLR, ICML, CVPR, AAAI  
Journal Reviewer: TPAMI
- 2021:** Conference Reviewer: NeurIPS, ICLR, ICML, AISTATS  
Journal Reviewer: IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation

**2020:** Conference Reviewer: ECMLPKDD, IDA

Journal Reviewer: ACM Transactions On Intelligent Systems And Technology

## ORGANIZATIONAL CONTRIBUTION

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### Conference Organization

- Conference on Parsimony and Learning (CPAL), Publicity Chair, Stanford, USA. Mar. 2025
- International Conference on Machine Learning and Applications (ICMLA), Special Sessions Chair, Dec. 2024

### Competition Organization

- NeurIPS 2024, “Edge-Device Large Language Model Competition”, Vancouver, Canada. May. 2024

### Tutorial Organization

- ICASSP 2024, “Sparsity in Large Language Models: The New Odyssey”, Seoul, Korea. Apr. 2024
- IJCAI 2023, “Sparse Training for Supervised, Unsupervised, Continual, and Deep Reinforcement Learning with Deep Neural Networks”, Macao, China. [Link](#) Aug. 2023
- ECMLPKDD 2022, “Sparse Neural Network Training”, Grenoble, France. [Link](#) Sep. 2022

### Meetup Organization

- NeurIPS 2023 Sparsity in Deep Neural Networks Meetup, New Orleans, US. Dec. 2023
- NeurIPS 2023 Local Meetup, Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands. Dec. 2023
- ICLR 2022 Local Meetup, Eindhoven University of Technology, the Netherlands. Apr. 2022

### Panellist

- ICASSP 2024, “PROGRESS Workshop”, Seoul, Korea. Apr. 2024
- ICASSP 2024, “Deep Neural Network Model Compression Workshop”, Seoul, Korea. Apr. 2024

## MEDIA COVERAGE

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- Press Release of Early Career Research Schemes of Royal Society in Establishing the Next Generation of Research Leaders in the UK. Royal Society. Oct. 2023. [Link](#)
- Best Dissertation Award Runner-up Award. Informatics Europe. Oct. 2023. [Link](#)
- CPAL Rising Star Award. Conference on Parsimony and Learning (CPAL). Oct. 2023. [Link](#)
- Shiwei Liu and VITA Group Receive Best Paper Award at LoG 2022. IFML News. Jan. 2023. [Link](#)

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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### Publication Summary

Overall: **55** papers (27 **A\*** and 5 **A** conference paper, CORE Conference Ranking), **7** journal papers; among them **19** first-author papers and **5** last-author papers.

Impact: **935** citations, h-index: **15**, i10-index: **19** (as of May 28 2024).

### Peer-Reviewed Conference Publications (reverse chronological order)

- [1] Adriana Fernandez-Lopez, Honglie Chen, Pingchuan Ma, Lu Yin, Qiao Xiao, Stavros Petridis, **Shiwei Liu**, Maja Pantic. *MSRS: Training Multimodal Speech Recognition Models from Scratch with Sparse Mask Optimization*. Interspeech, 2024
- [2] Qiao Xiao, Pingchuan Ma, Adriana Fernandez-Lopez, Boqian Wu, Lu Yin, Stavros Petridis, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Maja Pantic, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, **Shiwei Liu**. *Dynamic Data Pruning for Automatic Speech Recognition*. Interspeech, 2024
- [3] Lu Yin, You Wu, Zhenyu Zhang, Cheng-Yu Hsieh, Yaqing Wang, Yiling Jia, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Yi Liang, Zhangyang Wang, **Shiwei Liu**. *Outlier Weighed Layerwise Sparsity (OWL): A Missing Secret Sauce for Pruning LLMs to High Sparsity*. The Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024

- [4] Lu Yin, Ajay Jaiswal, **Shiwei Liu**, Souvik Kundu, and Zhangyang Wang. *Pruning Small Pre-Trained Weights Irreversibly and Monotonically Impairs Difficult” Downstream Tasks in LLMs*. The Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024
- [5] Yuxin Zhang, Yuxuan Du, Gen Luo, Yunshan Zhong, Zhenyu Zhang, **Shiwei Liu**, Rongrong Ji. *CaM: Cache Merging for Memory-efficient LLMs Inference*. The Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024
- [6] Jie Ji, Gen Li, Lu Yin, Minghai Qin, Geng Yuan, Linke Guo, **Shiwei Liu**, Xiaolong Ma. *Advancing Dynamic Sparse Training by Exploring Optimization Opportunities*. The Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024
- [7] Zhangheng Li, **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, Zhenyu Zhang, Dilin Wang, Raghuraman Krishnamoorthi, Shiyu Chang, Zhangyang Wang. *Sparse Cocktail: Co-Training Many Sparsity Patterns and Ratios at Once*. The Forty-first International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2024
- [8] Zhenyu Zhang\*, **Shiwei Liu\***, Runjin Chen, Bhavya Kailkhura, Beidi Chen, Zhangyang Wang. *Q-Hitter: A Better Token Oracle for Efficient LLM Inference via Sparse-Quantized KV Cache*. Seventh Conference on Machine Learning and Systems (MLSys), 2024.
- [9] Yuxin Zhang, Lirui Zhao, Mingbao Lin, Sun Yunyun, Yiwu Yao, Xingjia Han, Jared Tanner, **Shiwei Liu**, Rongrong Ji. *Dynamic Sparse No Training: Training-Free Fine-tuning for Sparse LLMs*. The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024.
- [10] Enneng Yang, Zhenyi Wang, Li Shen, **Shiwei Liu**, Guibing Guo, Xingwei Wang, Dacheng Tao. *AdaMerging: Adaptive Model Merging for Multi-Task Learning*. The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024.
- [11] 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*. The Twelfth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2024.
- [12] Haoyu Ma, Chengming Zhang, Lizhi Xiang, Xiaolong Ma, Geng Yuan, Wenkai Zhang, **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Dingwen Tao, Yanzhi Wang, Zhangyang Wang, Xiaohui Xie. *HRBP: Hardware-friendly Regrouping towards Block-wise Pruning for Sparse Training*. Conference on Parsimony and Learning (CPAL), 2024 [**Spotlight**].
- [13] 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*. The Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023. & SNN Workshop at ICLR 2023 [**Spotlight**].
- [14] Jaiswal, Ajay, **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, and Zhangyang Wang. *The Emergence of Essential Sparsity in Large Pre-trained Models: The Weights that Matter*. The Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.
- [15] Duc N.M Hoang, Souvik Kundu, **Shiwei Liu**, Zhangyang Wang. *Dont just prune by magnitude! Your mask topology is a secret weapon*. The Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.
- [16] Hoang Pham, The-Anh Ta, **Shiwei Liu**, Lichuan Xiang, Dung D. Le, Hongkai Wen, Long Tran-Thanh. *Towards Data-Agnostic Pruning At Initialization: What Makes a Good Sparse Mask?* The Thirty-seventh Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2023.
- [17] Enneng Yang, Li Shen, Zhenyi Wang, **Shiwei Liu**, Guibing Guo, Xingwei Wang. *Data Augmented Flatness-aware Gradient Projection for Continual Learning*. International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), 2023.

- [18] Ruisi Cai, Xiaohan Chen, **Shiwei Liu**, Jayanth Srinivasa, Myungjin Lee, Ramana Rao Kompella, Zhangyang Wang. *Scaling Federated Learning under Data and Task Heterogeneity: A Pilot Study*. International Conference on Computer Vision (ICCV), MTLFL FedVision Workshop 2023.
- [19] Tianjin Huang\*, **Shiwei Liu\***, Tianlong Chen, Meng Fang, Li Shen, Vlado Menkovski, Lu Yin, Yulong Pei, Mykola Pechenizkiy. *Enhancing Adversarial Training via Reweighting Optimization Trajectory*. The European Conference on Machine Learning and Principles and Practice of Knowledge Discovery in Databases (ECML-PKDD), 2023.
- [20] Jiaxu Zhao, Lu Yin, **Shiwei Liu**, Meng Fang, Mykola Pechenizkiy. *REST: Debiasing Deep Neural Networks through Reweighted Sparse Training*. The European Conference on Machine Learning and Principles and Practice of Knowledge Discovery in Databases (ECML-PKDD), 2023.
- [21] Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Ying Ding, Zhangyang Wang. *Instant Soup: Cheap Pruning Ensembles in A Single Pass Can Draw Lottery Tickets from Large Models*. The Fortieth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2023. **[Oral]**.
- [22] Tianjin Huang, Lu Yin, Zhenyu Zhang, Li Shen, Meng Fang, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Zhangyang Wang, **Shiwei Liu**. *Are Large Kernels Better Teachers than Transformers for ConvNets?*. The Fortieth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2023.
- [23] Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Ying Ding, Zhangyang Wang. *Graph Laddling: Embarrassingly Scalable and Efficient Training of Powerful GNNs via Data-Centric Model Averaging*. The Fortieth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2023.
- [24] **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Xiaohan Chen, Xuxi Chen, Qiao Xiao, Boqian Wu, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Decebal Mocanu, and Zhangyang Wang. *More Convnets in the 2020s: Scaling Up Kernels Beyond  $51 \times 51$  Using Sparsity*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023.
- [25] Duc N.M Hoang, **Shiwei Liu**, Radu Marculescu, Zhangyang Wang. *Revisiting Pruning at Initialization Through the Lens of Ramanujan Graph*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023. **[Oral]**.
- [26] **Shiwei Liu\***, Tianlong Chen\*, Zhenyu Zhang, Xuxi Chen, Tianjin Huang, Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, and Zhangyang Wang. *Sparsity May Cry: Let Us Fail (Current) Sparse Neural Networks Together!*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023. **[Spotlight]**.
- [27] Tianlong Chen, Zhenyu Zhang, Ajay Kumar Jaiswal, **Shiwei Liu**, Zhangyang Wang *Sparse MoE with Random Routing as the New Dropout: Training Bigger and Self-Scalable Models*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2023. **[Spotlight]**.
- [28] **Shiwei Liu**, and Zhangyang Wang., 2023. *Ten Lessons We Have Learned in the New "Sparse-land": A Short Handbook for Sparse Neural Network Researchers*. SNN Workshop at ICLR 2023. **[Spotlight]**.
- [29] Lu Yin\*, **Shiwei Liu\***, Fang Meng, Tianjin Huang, Vlado Menkovski, Mykola Pechenizkiy. *Lottery Pools: Winning More by Interpolating Tickets without Increasing Training or Inference Cost*. Thirty-Sixth AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), 2023.
- [30] Tianjin Huang, Tianlong Chen, Meng Fang, Vlado Menkovski, Jiaxu Zhao, Lu Yin, Yulong Pei, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Zhangyang Wang, Mykola Pechenizkiy, **Shiwei Liu**. *You Can Have Better Graph Neural Networks by Not Training Weights at All: Finding Untrained Graph Tickets*. Learning on Graphs Conference (LoG), 2022. **[Oral & Best Paper Award]**.
- [31] Qiao Xiao, Boqian Wu, Yu Zhang, **Shiwei Liu**, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Elena Mocanu, Decebal Constantin Mocanu. *Dynamic Sparse Network for Time Series Classification: Learning What to See*. The Thirty-sixth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022.

- [32] Lu Yin, Vlado Menkovski, Meng Fang, Tianjin Huang, Yulong Pei, Mykola Pechenizkiy, **Shiwei Liu**. *Superposing Many Tickets into One: A Performance Booster for Sparse Neural Network Training*. The 38th Conference on Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence (UAI), 2022.
- [33] **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Xiaohan Chen, Li Shen, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Zhangyang Wang, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. *The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Random Pruning: Return of the Most Naive Baseline for Sparse Training*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2022.
- [34] **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Zahra Atashgahi, Xiaohan Chen, Ghada Sokar, Elena Mocanu, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Zhangyang Wang, and Decebal Constantin Mocanu. *Deep Ensembling with No Overhead for either Training or Testing: The All-Round Blessings of Dynamic Sparsity*. International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), 2022.
- [35] **Shiwei Liu**, Tianlong Chen, Xiaohan Chen, Zahra Atashgahi, Lu Yin, Huanyu Kou, Li Shen, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Zhangyang Wang, and Decebal Constantin Mocanu. *Sparse Training via Boosting Pruning Plasticity with Neuroregeneration*. The Thirty-fifth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2021.
- [36] **Shiwei Liu**, Lu Yin, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. *Do We Actually Need Dense Over-Parameterization? In-Time Over-Parameterization in Sparse Training*. The Thirty-eighth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2021.
- [37] **Shiwei Liu**, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Yulong Pei, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. *Selfish sparse RNN training*. The Thirty-eighth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2021.
- [38] **Shiwei Liu**, Tim Van der Lee, Anil Yaman, Zahra Atashgahi, Davide Ferraro, Ghada Sokar, Mykola Pechenizkiy, and Decebal Constantin Mocanu. *Topological Insights into Sparse Neural Networks*. The European Conference on Machine Learning and Principles and Practice of Knowledge Discovery in Databases (ECML-PKDD), Ghent, Belgium, 2020.
- [39] **Shiwei Liu**. *Learning Sparse Neural Networks for Better Generalization*. 29<sup>th</sup> International International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI), 2020. Doctoral Consortium.
- [40] **Shiwei Liu**, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. *On improving deep learning generalization with adaptive sparse connectivity*. The Workshop of Understanding and Improving Generalization in Deep Learning, The Thirty-sixth International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), PMLR, 2019.
- [41] Yan, Fulong, **Shiwei Liu**, and Nicola Calabretta. *Network Performance Optimization with Real Time Traffic Prediction in Data Center Network*. 2020 European Conference on Optical Communications (ECOC). IEEE, 2020.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

- [42] **Shiwei Liu**, Yuesong Tian, Tianlong Chen, Li Shen. *Don't Be So Dense: Sparse-to-Sparse GAN Training Without Sacrificing Performance*. International Journal of Computer Vision (IJCV).
- [43] Zahra Atashgahi, Xuhao Zhang, Neil Kichler, **Shiwei Liu**, Lu Yin, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Raymond Veldhuis, Decebal Constantin Mocanu. *Feature Selection with Neuron Evolution.*, TMLR. 2023.
- [44] Zahra Atashgahi, Joost Pieterse, **Shiwei Liu**, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Raymond Veldhuis, Mykola Pechenizkiy. *A Brain-inspired Algorithm for Training Highly Sparse Neural Networks*. Machine Learning Journal (ECML-PKDD 2022 journal track).
- [45] **Shiwei Liu**, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Amarsagar Reddy Ramapuram Matavalam, Yulong Pei, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. (2021). *Sparse evolutionary deep learning with over one million artificial neurons on commodity hardware*. Neural Computing and Applications, 1-16.

- [46] **Shiwei Liu**, Iftitahu Nimah, Vlado Menkovski, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, and Mykola Pechenizkiy. (2021). *Efficient and effective training of sparse recurrent neural networks*. Neural Computing and Applications, 1-12.

### **Pre-print and Under-Review**

- [47] Anke Tang, Li Shen, Yong Luo, **Shiwei Liu**, Han Hu, Bo Du, Dacheng Tao. *Data-Adaptive Weight-Ensembling for Multi-Task Model Fusion*. Under Review.
- [48] Haiquan Lu, Yefan Zhou, **Shiwei Liu**, Elicia Ye, Alex Zhao, Zhangyang Wang, Michael W. Mahoney. *AlphaPruning: Using Heavy-Tailed Self Regularization Theory for Improved Layer-wise Pruning of Large Language Models*. Under Review.
- [49] Arinbjrn Kolbeinsson, Tianjin Huang, Shanghua Gao, **Shiwei Liu**, Jonathan Richard Schwarz, Anurag Jayant Vaidya, Faisal Mahmood, Marinka Zitnik, Tianlong Chen, Thomas Hartvigsen. *Composable Interventions for Language Models*. Under Review.
- [50] Zhenyu Zhang, Runjin Chen, **Shiwei Liu**, Zhewei Yao, Olatunji Ruwase, Beidi Chen, Xiaoxia Wu, Zhangyang Wang. *Found in the Middle: How Language Models Use Long Contexts Better via Plug-and-Play Positional Encoding*. Under Review.
- [51] Boqian Wua, Qiao Xiaob, **Shiwei Liu**, Lu Yin, Mykola Pechenizkiy, Decebal Constantin Mocanu, Maurice Van Keulen, Elena Mocanu. *E2ENet: Dynamic Sparse Feature Fusion for Accurate and Efficient 3D Medical Image Segmentation*. Under Review.
- [52] **Shiwei Liu**, Tianjin Huang, Tianlong Chen, Zhangyang Wang. *The Counterattack of CNNs in Self-Supervised Learning: Larger Kernel Size Might be All You Need*. Under Review.
- [53] Tiansheng Huang, **Shiwei Liu**, Li Shen, Fengxiang He, Weiwei Lin, Dacheng Tao., 2022. *Achieving Personalized Federated Learning with Sparse Local Models*. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2201.11380*.
- [54] Yin Nan, Li Shen, Mengzhu Wang, **Shiwei Liu**, Chong Chen, Xian-Sheng Hua, Xiao Luo. *SPORT: A Subgraph Perspective on Graph Classification with Label Noise*. Under Review.

### **Ph.D. Thesis**

- [55] **Shiwei Liu**. Sparse Neural Network Training with In-Time Over-Parameterization. The Eindhoven University of Technology. 2022. [Paper](#)