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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am passionate about **software engineering** and natural language processing. Specifically, I design practical and elegant reliability solutions for both traditional software and intelligent software. As part of my work, I have developed effective testing approaches for machine translation, realized an AI-powered software log management and analysis framework, and proposed QoS prediction techniques for service-oriented software.

## EDUCATION

**The Chinese University of Hong Kong** 08/2013–03/2018  
*Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering*  
Supervisor: [Prof. Michael R. Lyu](#), ACM & IEEE Fellow for software reliability

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign** 07/2016–09/2016  
*Visiting Student*  
Supervisor: [Prof. Tao Xie](#), IEEE Fellow for software testing and analytics

**South China University of Technology** 09/2010–07/2013  
*B.Eng. in Computer Science and Technology*  
Bilingual class (Rank: 2/30), where students were selected from the entire university via an exam on Math and English

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

**Postdoctoral Scholar, ETH Zurich** 09/2018–present  
Supervisor: [Prof. Zhendong Su](#)

**Postdoctoral Scholar, The Chinese University of Hong Kong** 03/2018–08/2018  
Supervisor: [Prof. Michael R. Lyu](#)

**Research Intern, Microsoft Research Asia** 05/2014–08/2014  
*Software Analytics Group, Mentor: [Prof. Hongyu Zhang](#)*

## PUBLICATIONS

Highlights: ICSE(3), ESEC/FSE(1), ASE(2), TDSC(1), TPDS(1)  
[Google Scholar](#): citations: 1130, h-index: 15  
(\*Corresponding author)

### Selected Publications

1. [Pinjia He](#), Clara Meister, Zhendong Su. [Testing Machine Translation via Referential Transparency](#). *International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2021. *Acceptance Rate: 22%*
2. [Pinjia He](#), Clara Meister, Zhendong Su. [Structure-Invariant Testing for Machine Translation](#). *International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2020. *Acceptance Rate: 21%*
3. Shashij Gupta, [Pinjia He\\*](#), Clara Meister, Zhendong Su. [Machine Translation Testing via Pathological Invariance](#). *ACM Joint Meeting on European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE)*, 2020. *Acceptance Rate: 28%*

4. [Pinjia He](#), [Jieming Zhu\\*](#), [Shilin He](#), [Jian Li](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Towards Automated Log Parsing for Large-Scale Log Data Analysis](#). *IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing (TDSC)*, 2018. *Impact Factor: 6.9*
5. [Shilin He](#), [Jieming Zhu](#), [Pinjia He](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Experience Report: System Log Analysis for Anomaly Detection](#). *International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering (ISSRE)*, 2016. *Acceptance Rate: 35%*  
**Most Influential Paper** (26 papers selected in 30 years)  
**710+** stars and **260+** forks on GitHub

#### Other Publications

1. [Jinyang Liu](#), [Jieming Zhu](#), [Shilin He](#), [Pinjia He\\*](#), [Zibin Zheng](#), [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Logzip: Extracting Hidden Structures via Iterative Clustering for Execution Log Compression](#). *International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE)*, 2019. *Acceptance Rate: 20%*
2. [Jieming Zhu](#), [Shilin He](#), [Jinyang Liu](#), [Pinjia He](#), [Qi Xie](#), [Zibin Zheng](#), [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Tools and Benchmarks for Automated Log Parsing](#). *International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, SEIP Track, 2019. *Acceptance Rate: 25%*
3. [Wenyu Wang](#), [Wujie Zheng](#), [Dian Liu](#), [Changrong Zhang](#), [Qinsong Zeng](#), [Yuetang Deng](#), [Wei Yang](#), [Pinjia He](#), [Tao Xie](#). [Detecting Failures of Neural Machine Translation in the Absence of Reference Translations](#). *IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Dependable Systems and Networks (DSN)*, Industry Track, 2019.
4. [Pinjia He](#), [Zhuangbin Chen](#), [Shilin He](#), [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Characterizing the Natural Language Descriptions in Software Logging Statements](#). *International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE)*, 2018. *Acceptance Rate: 17%*
5. [Pinjia He](#), [Jieming Zhu](#), [Zibin Zheng](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Drain: An Online Log Parsing Approach with Fixed Depth Tree](#). *IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS)*, 2017. *Acceptance Rate: 21%*  
 Adopted by **IBM Could**: [\[blog post\]](#)[\[IBM's code\]](#)
6. [Jieming Zhu](#), [Pinjia He](#), [Zibin Zheng](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [CARP: Context-Aware Reliability Prediction of Black-Box Web Services](#). *IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS)*, 2017. *Acceptance Rate: 21%*
7. [Jieming Zhu](#), [Pinjia He\\*](#), [Zibin Zheng\\*](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Online QoS Prediction for Runtime Service Adaptation via Adaptive Matrix Factorization](#). *IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems (TPDS)*, 2017. *Impact Factor: 2.6*
8. [Jian Li](#), [Pinjia He](#), [Jieming Zhu](#), [Michael R. Lyu](#). [Software Defect Prediction via Convolutional Neural Network](#). *IEEE International Conference on Software Quality, Reliability and Security (QRS)*, 2017. *Acceptance Rate: 26%*
9. [Pinjia He](#), [Jieming Zhu](#), [Shilin He](#), [Jian Li](#), and [Michael R. Lyu](#). [An Evaluation Study on Log Parsing and Its Use in Log Mining](#). *IEEE/IFIP International Conference on Dependable Systems and Networks (DSN)*, 2016. *Acceptance Rate: 21%*  
**520+** stars and **270+** forks on GitHub
10. [Jieming Zhu](#), [Pinjia He](#), [Qiang Fu](#), [Hongyu Zhang](#), [Michael R. Lyu](#), and [Dongmei Zhang](#). [Learning to Log: Helping Developers Make Informed Logging Decisions](#). *International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2015. *Acceptance Rate: 19%*

11. Jieming Zhu, Pinjia He, Zibin Zheng, and Michael R. Lyu. [A Privacy-Preserving QoS Prediction Framework for Web Service Recommendation](#). *IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS)*, 2015. *Acceptance Rate: 20%*
12. Cuiyun Gao, Baoxiang Wang, Pinjia He, Jieming Zhu, Yangfan Zhou, and Michael R. Lyu. [PAID: Prioritizing App Issues for Developers by Tracking User Reviews Over Versions](#). *IEEE International Symposium on Software Reliability Engineering (ISSRE)*, 2015. *Acceptance Rate: 19%*
13. Pinjia He, Jieming Zhu, Zibin Zheng, Jianlong Xu, and Michael R. Lyu. [Location-Based Hierarchical Matrix Factorization for Web Service Recommendation](#). *IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS)*, Industry Track, 2014. *Acceptance Rate: 30%*
14. Tong Zhao, Junjie Hu, Pinjia He, Hang Fan, Michael R. Lyu, Irwin King. [Exploiting Homophily-based Implicit Social Network to Improve Recommendation Performance](#). *International Joint Conference on Neural Networks (IJCNN)*, 2014.
15. Jieming Zhu, Pinjia He, Zibin Zheng, and Michael R. Lyu. [Towards Online, Accurate, and Scalable QoS Prediction for Runtime Service Adaptation](#). *International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS)*, 2014. *Acceptance Rate: 13%*

## IMPACT

**Machine Translation Testing Project:** I am the lead of this project, which aims to automatically find errors in widely-used machine translation software such as Google Translate and Bing Microsoft Translator. Our project has successfully found **1000+** translation errors in Google Translate and Bing Microsoft Translator. The translation errors are diverse, including under-translation, over-translation, incorrect modification, word/phrase mistranslation, and unclear logic.

**LogPAI Project:** I am the lead of LogPAI, an open-source project towards AI-powered log analytics. We released a set of log datasets and open-source tools on GitHub, which together have been starred **2,000+ times**. The datasets have been **downloaded 20,000+ times** by more than **380 organizations** from both industry and academia. The tools and datasets have been used by many industrial practitioners from Huawei, Microsoft, IBM, VMWare, Samsung, Red Hat, Ericsson, MasterCard, Rapid7, Nvidia, China Mobile, China Unicom, and many others.

**WS-DREAM Project:** I was a core member of the WS-DREAM project, which is to disseminate open datasets and source code for Web service research. We have developed QoS prediction approaches for Web service recommendation. Our publications on WS-DREAM have been **cited 2000+ times** in total. Our WS-DREAM datasets have been downloaded by **370+ organizations** globally, and have been utilized in research by **200+ papers**.

## SERVICES

I served as a PC Member in the following conferences:

- 2020: ECOOP Artifact, APSEC ERA
- 2019: ASE Demo

I served as a Reviewer in the following journals:

- 2020: TSE, TOSEM, EMSE, CSUR, JCST
- 2019: TSE, TOSEM, TKDE, SMC, IST
- 2018: TSE, TOSEM, TKDE, STVR, COSE

I served as an external/sub Reviewer in the following conferences:

- 2019: ICSE, FSE
- 2018: DSN, ICDCS, IJCAI
- 2017: ICDCS, ISSRE
- 2016: ICSE, DSN, WWW, KDD, ISSRE
- 2015: ICSE, WWW, NIPS, ISSRE, WSDM

I served as a main contributor to [ACM SIGSOFT Empirical Standards](#).

## TEACHING

### Instructor

[Research Topics in Software Engineering](#), Spring 2020 (ETH Zurich)

### Teaching Assistant

[Natural Language Processing](#), Fall 2020 (ETH Zurich)

[Research Topics in Software Engineering](#), Fall 2020 (ETH Zurich)

[Rigorous Software Engineering](#), Spring 2020 (ETH Zurich)

[Software Engineering Seminar](#), Fall 2019 (ETH Zurich)

[Research Topics in Software Engineering](#), Fall 2019 (ETH Zurich)

[Rigorous Software Engineering](#), Spring 2019 (ETH Zurich)

[Research Topics in Software Engineering](#), Fall 2018 (ETH Zurich)

Software Engineering, Spring 2016/2017 (CUHK)

Problem Solving By Programming, Fall 2013-2016 (CUHK)

Technology, Society and Engineering Practice, Spring 2015 (CUHK)

Computer and Society, Spring 2014 (CUHK)

## MENTORING

**Rohan Shah**, intern at ETH Zurich, 11/2020-present (with Prof. Zhendong Su)

- Undergraduate student from IIT Bombay

**Shashij Gupta**, intern at ETH Zurich, 05/2019-07/2019 (with Prof. Zhendong Su)

- Undergraduate student from IIT Bombay
- Topic: Testing Machine Translation
- [Machine Translation Testing via Pathological Invariance](#). *ACM Joint Meeting on European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE)*, 2020.
- [Second Prize in ACM Student Research Competition](#) (ICSE), ACM, 2020.

**Clara Meister**, RA at ETH Zurich, 01/2019-02/2020 (with Prof. Zhendong Su)

- Master degree from Stanford University
- Topic: Testing Machine Translation
- [Machine Translation Testing via Pathological Invariance](#). *ACM Joint Meeting on European Software Engineering Conference and Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE)*, 2020.
- [Structure-Invariant Testing for Machine Translation](#). *International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE)*, 2020.

AWARDS  
AND HONORS

**Most Influential Paper** (26 papers selected in 30 years), ISSRE, 2019.

**Excellent Teaching Assistant**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2016.

**Visiting Research Awards**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2015-2016.

**Travel Award** for DSN, 2016.

**Postgraduate Scholarship**, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2013-2017.

**Honorable Mention** in the Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM), 2013.