

# Juhan Bae, *Curriculum Vitae*

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EDUCATION    **University of Toronto**, Toronto, ON, Canada

Ph.D., Computer Science      Sep. 2019 - Mar. 2025

- Advisor: Roger Grosse
- Thesis: *Beyond Gradients: Using Curvature Information for Deep Learning*

B.Sc. Hons., Computer Science and Statistics      Sep. 2015 - Nov. 2019

- Graduated with High Distinction (cGPA = 3.98/4.00)
- Focus in Artificial Intelligence

PEER-  
REVIEWED  
CONFERENCE  
PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Accelerating Neural Network training: An Analysis of the AlgoPerf Competition**  
Priya Kasimbeg, Frank Schneider, Runa Eschenhagen, **Juhan Bae**, Chandramouli Shama Sastry, Mark Saroufim, Boyuan Feng, Less Wright, Edward Yang, Zachary Nado, Sourabh Medapati, Philipp Hennig, Michael Rabbat, George Dahl.  
International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR 2025**), Singapore.
- [2] **What Kind of Pretraining Data Do Large Language Models Rely on When Doing Reasoning?**  
Laura Ruis, Maximilian Mozes, **Juhan Bae**, Siddhartha Kamalakara, Dwaraknath Gnaneshwar, Acyr Locatelli, Robert Kirk, Tim Rocktaschel, Edward Grefenstette, Max Bartolo.  
International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR 2025**), Singapore.
- [3] **Influence Functions for Scalable Data Attribution in Diffusion Models**  
Bruno Mlodozienec, Runa Eschenhagen, **Juhan Bae**, Alexander Immer, David Krueger, Richard Turner.  
International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR 2025**), Singapore.
- [4] **Training Data Attribution via Approximate Unrolled Differentiation**  
**Juhan Bae**, Wu Lin, Jonathan Lorraine, Roger Grosse.  
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS 2024**), Vancouver, Canada.
- [5] **Can We Remove the Square-Root in Adaptive Gradient Methods?**  
Wu Lin, Felix Dangel, Runa Eschenhagen, **Juhan Bae**, Richard Turner, Alireza Makhzani.  
International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML 2024**), Vienna, Austria.
- [6] **Efficient Parametric Approximations of Neural Network Function Space Distance**  
Nikita Dhawan, Sheldon Huang, **Juhan Bae**, Roger Grosse.  
International Conference on Machine Learning (**ICML 2023**), Hawaii, USA.
- [7] **Multi-Rate VAE: Train Once, Get the Full Rate-Distortion Curve**  
**Juhan Bae**, Michael Zhang, Michael Ruan, Eric Wang, So Hasegawa, Jimmy Ba, Roger Grosse.  
International Conference on Learning Representations (**ICLR 2023**), Kigali, Rwanda.  
**Oral Presentation — Acceptance Rate = 91/4956  $\approx$  1.8%**
- [8] **If Influence Functions are the Answer, Then What is the Question?**  
**Juhan Bae**, Nathan Ng, Alston Lo, Marzyeh Ghassemi, Roger Grosse.  
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS 2022**), Louisiana, USA.
- [9] **Amortized Proximal Optimization**  
**Juhan Bae**<sup>\*</sup>, Paul Vicol<sup>\*</sup>, Jeff Z. HaoChen, Roger Grosse. (<sup>\*</sup>: Equal Contributions)  
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (**NeurIPS 2022**), Louisiana, USA.

- [10] **Analyzing Monotonic Linear Interpolation in Neural Network Loss Landscapes**  
James Lucas, [Juhan Bae](#), Michael Zhang, Stanislav Fort, Richard Zemel, Roger Grosse.  
The International Conference on Machine Learning ([ICML 2021](#)), Virtual.
- [11] **Delta-STN: Efficient Bilevel Optimization for Neural Networks using Structured Response Jacobians**  
[Juhan Bae](#), Roger Grosse.  
Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems ([NeurIPS 2020](#)), Virtual.
- [12] **Fast 6DoF Pose Estimation with Synthetic Textureless CAD model for Mobile Applications**  
Bowen Chen, [Juhan Bae](#), Dibyendu Mukherjee.  
International Conference on Image Processing ([ICIP 2019](#)), Taipei, Taiwan.
- PEER-REVIEWED WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS [13] **Influence Functions for Scalable Data Attribution in Diffusion Models**  
Bruno Mlodozienec, Runa Eschenhagen, [Juhan Bae](#), Alexander Immer, David Krueger, Richard Turner.  
Attributing Model Behavior at Scale ([NeurIPS 2024 Workshop](#)), Vancouver, Canada.
- [14] **Using Large Language Models for Hyperparameter Optimization**  
Michael Zhang, Nishkrit Desai, [Juhan Bae](#), Jonathan Lorraine, Jimmy Ba.  
Foundation Models for Decision Making ([NeurIPS 2023 Workshop](#)), Louisiana, USA.
- [15] **Monotonic Linear Interpolation of Neural Network Parameters**  
James Lucas, [Juhan Bae](#), Michael Zhang, Richard Zemel, Jimmy Ba, Roger Grosse.  
Optimization for Machine Learning ([NeurIPS 2020 Workshop](#)), Virtual.
- [16] **Eigenvalue Corrected Noisy Natural Gradient**  
[Juhan Bae](#), Guodong Zhang, Roger Grosse.  
Bayesian Deep Learning ([NeurIPS 2018 Workshop](#)), Montreal, Canada.
- [17] **Learnable Pooling Methods for Video Classification**  
Sebastian Kmiec, [Juhan Bae](#), Ruijian An.  
Large-Scale Video Understanding ([ECCV 2018 Workshop](#)), Munich, Germany.  
**Oral Presentation**
- TECHNICAL REPORTS [18] **Training Data Attribution (TDA): Examining Its Adoption & Use Cases**  
Deric Cheng, [Juhan Bae](#), Justin Bullock, David Kristofferson. 2025.
- [19] **Studying Large Language Model Generalization with Influence Functions**  
Roger Grosse\*, [Juhan Bae](#)\*, Cem Anil\*, Nelson Elhage, Alex Tamkin, Amirhossein Tajdini, Benoit Steiner, Dustin Li, Esin Durmus, Ethan Perez, Evan Hubinger, Kamilė Lukošūtė, Karina Nguyen, Nicholas Joseph, Sam McCandlish, Jared Kaplan, Samuel Bowman (\*: Equal Contributions). 2023.
- [20] **Benchmarking Neural Network Training Algorithms**  
George Dahl\*, Frank Schneider\*, Zachary Nado\*, Naman Agarwal\*, Chandramouli Shama Sastry<sup>†</sup>, Philipp Hennig<sup>†</sup>, Sourabh Medapati<sup>†</sup>, Runa Eschenhagen<sup>†</sup>, Priya Kasimbeg<sup>†</sup>, Daniel Suo<sup>†</sup>, [Juhan Bae](#)<sup>†</sup>, Justin Gilmer<sup>†</sup>, Abel Peirson<sup>†</sup>, Bilal Khan<sup>†</sup>, Rohan Anil<sup>†</sup>, Mike Rabbat<sup>†</sup>, Shankar Krishnan<sup>‡</sup>, Daniel Snider<sup>‡</sup>, Ehsan Amid<sup>‡</sup>, Kongtao Chen<sup>‡</sup>, Chris Maddison<sup>‡</sup>, Rakshith Vasudev<sup>‡</sup>, Michal Badura<sup>‡</sup>, Ankush Garg<sup>‡</sup>, Peter Mattson<sup>‡</sup> (\*, †, ‡: Equal Contributions). 2023.
- PREPRINTS [21] **What’s Your Data Worth to GPT? LLM-Scale Data Valuation with Influence Functions**  
Sang Keun Choe, Hwijeen Ahn\*, [Juhan Bae](#)\*, Kewen Zhao\*, Minsoo Kang, Youngseog Chung, Adithya Pratapa, Willie Neiswanger, Emma Strubell, Teruko Mitamura, Jeff Schneider, Eduard Hovy, Roger Grosse, Eric P. Xing (\*: Equal Contributions). 2024.
- [22] **Fast Fractional Natural Gradient Descent using Learnable Spectral Factorizations**  
Wu Lin, Felix Dangel, Runa Eschenhagen, [Juhan Bae](#), Richard Turner, Roger Grosse. 2024.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES	<b>Anthropic</b> <i>Resident</i> <b>Microsoft Research</b> <i>Research Intern</i> <b>Epson Research</b> <i>Software Developer - Algorithm Research</i>	Feb. 2023 - Aug. 2023 Jun. 2021 - Aug. 2021 May. 2017 - Mar. 2019
GRANTS AND AWARDS	Vector Institute Research Grant Expert Reviewer at ICML Top Reviewer at NeurIPS Top Reviewer at ICML Faculty of Arts & Science Fellowship St.Michael's College Silver Medal St.Micheal's College Scholarship Dean's List Scholar	2020 - 2024 2021 2020, 2024 2020 2020 - 2023 2019 2017, 2018 2016 - 2019
TEACHING	<b>University of Toronto</b> , Toronto, ON  <i>Instructor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TUSK (Machine Learning Software Foundations) 2022</li> <li>• CSC311 (Introduction to Machine Learning) 2020</li> </ul> <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSC2547 (AI Alignment) 2024</li> <li>• CSC110 (Foundations of Computer Science I) 2023, 2021</li> <li>• CSC2702 (Technical Entrepreneurship) 2022</li> <li>• HLP101 (Undergraduate CS Course Help Centre) 2022</li> <li>• CSC2541 (Neural Network Training Dynamics) 2022</li> <li>• STA314 (Statistical Methods for Machine Learning I) 2021</li> <li>• CSC320 (Introduction to Visual Computing) 2021</li> <li>• CSC412 (Probabilistic Learning and Reasoning) 2020</li> <li>• CSC165 (Mathematical Expression and Reasoning for CS) 2019, 2016</li> </ul> <b>Vector Institute</b> , Toronto, ON  <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AI Certificate: Deep Learning 2 2020</li> <li>• AI Certificate: Deep Learning 1 2019</li> </ul>	
PATENTS	[23] <b>Methods and Systems for Training an Object Detection Algorithm using Synthetic Images</b> Dibyendu Mukherjee, Bowen Chen, <b>Juhan Bae</b> <a href="#">US11107241B2, 2021</a>	
SERVICES	<i>Journal Reviewer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transactions on Machine Learning Research (TMLR)</li> </ul> <i>Conference Reviewer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)</li> <li>• Society for Artificial Intelligence and Statistics (AISTATS)</li> <li>• International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)</li> <li>• International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML)</li> <li>• Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI)</li> </ul> <i>Workshop Reviewer</i>	

- Distribution Shifts (NeurIPS)
- Attributing Model Behavior at Scale (NeurIPS)
- Tiny Papers Showcase Day (ICLR)

INVITED  
TALKS

- [1] Training Data Attribution with Unrolled Differentiation. Data Attribution Reading Group. Illinois, USA. 2024.
- [2] LLM-Scale Data Valuation with Influence Functions. xAI. California, USA. 2024
- [3] Tutorial on Training Data Attribution. Inria Soda. Rocquencourt, France. 2024.
- [4] LLM-Scale Data Valuation with Influence Functions. Google Brain. Massachusetts, USA. 2024
- [5] Studying Large Language Model Generalization with Influence Functions. Future of Life Institute. California, USA. 2024.
- [6] Studying Large Language Model Generalization with Influence Functions. Guest Lecture for Stanford CS329. California, USA. 2023.
- [7] Studying Large Language Model Generalization with Influence Functions. AI Safety Reading Group (University of Toronto). Ontario, Canada. 2023.
- [8] Studying Large Language Model Generalization with Influence Functions. Mechanistic Interpretability Reading Group (University of Ottawa). Remote Presentation. 2023.
- [9] Multi-Rate VAE: Train Once, Get the Full Rate-Distortion Curve. Vector Institute. Ontario, Canada. 2022.
- [10] Tutorial on Neural Architecture Search (NAS). University of Toronto & Vector Institute. Remote Presentation. 2020.

SUPERVISIONS

Alston Lo (UofT undergraduate → Ph.D. student at MIT)	2022
Eric Wang (UofT undergraduate → Software developer at Clearpath)	2022
Michael Ruan (UofT undergraduate → Software developer at AMD)	2022
Yuchen Wang (UofT undergraduate → Masters student at Stanford)	2020