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Education

Princeton University

Aug. 2020 - 2025 (Expected)

Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering M.A., Electrical and Computer Engineering

May 2022

Advisor: Prof. David Wentzlaff

Duke University

May 2020

B.S.E., Electrical and Computer Engineering

B.S., Computer Science

Magna Cum Laude, Graduated with ECE Distinction

Advisor: Prof. Krishnendu Chakrabarty

Research

Research Interests: Computer Architecture, Chip Architecture Future Trends, Semiconductor Supply Chains, Semiconductor Design and Tapeout

AMD Research May 2023 - Aug. 2023

Research Intern - Bellevue, WA

CPU/GPU profiling and optimization for large language model workloads

Princeton Parallel Group

Jan. 2021 - Present

Chakrabarty Lab

Aug. 2018 - May 2020

VLSI testing for deep learning hardware and Carbon Nanotube FETs

Undergrad Thesis: Automating Path Generation for Variation-Aware Delay Fault Testing

TU Dortmund Department of High Voltage Technology

May 2018 - Aug. 2018

Advisor: Prof. Frank Jenau

High voltage cable technologies and measurement systems

Supported by DAAD RISE Germany Scholarship

Publications

- 7. Hengrui Zhang, August Ning, Rohan Prabhakar, and David Wentzlaff. "LLMCompass: Enabling Efficient Hardware Design for Large Language Model Inference". In: *The Proceedings of the 51th Annual International Symposium on Computer Architecture (ISCA) (To Appear)*. 2024. arXiv: 2312.03134 [cs.AR]
- 6. Ang Li, Ting-Jung Chang, Fei Gao, Tuan Ta, Georgios Tziantzioulis, Yanghui Ou, Moyang Wang, Jinzheng Tu, Kaifeng Xu, Paul Jackson, August Ning, Grigory Chirkov, Marcelo Orenes-Vera, Shady Agwa, Xiaoyu Yan, Eric Tang, Jonathan Balkind, Christopher Batten, and David Wentzlaff. "CIFER: A Cache-Coherent 12nm 16mm² SoC With Four 64-Bit RISC-V Application Cores, 18 32-Bit RISC-V Compute Cores, and a 1541 LUT6/mm² Synthesizable eFPGA". in: IEEE Solid-State Circuits Letters (2023). DOI: 10.1109/LSSC.2023.3303111

- 5. August Ning, Georgios Tziantzioulis, and David Wentzlaff. "Supply Chain Aware Computer Architecture". In: Proceedings of the 50th Annual International Symposium on Computer Architecture (ISCA). 2023. DOI: 10.1145/3579371.3589052
- 4. Ting-Jung Chang*, Ang Li*, Fei Gao, Tuan Ta, Georgios Tziantzioulis, Yanghui Ou, Moyang Wang, Jinzheng Tu, Kaifeng Xu, Paul J. Jackson, August Ning, Grigory Chirkov, Marcelo Orenes-Vera, Shady Agwa, Xiaoyu Yan, Eric Tang, Jonathan Balkind, Christopher Batten, and David Wentzlaff. "CIFER: A 12nm, 16mm², 22-Core SoC with a 1541 LUT6/mm², 1.92 MOPS/LUT, Fully Synthesizable, Cache-Coherent, Embedded FPGA". in: 2023 IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC). 2023. DOI: 10.1109/CICC57935.2023.10121294
- 3. Fei Gao, Ting-Jung Chang, Ang Li, Marcelo Orenes-Vera, Davide Giri, Paul Jackson, August Ning, Georgios Tziantzioulis, Joseph Zuckerman, Jinzheng Tu, Kaifeng Xu, Grigory Chirkov, Gabriele Tombesi, Jonathan Balkind, Margaret Martonosi, Luca Carloni, and David Wentzlaff. "DECADES: A 67mm², 1.46TOPS, 55 Giga Cache-Coherent 64-bit RISC-V Instructions per second, Heterogeneous Manycore SoC with 109 Tiles including Accelerators, Intelligent Storage, and eFPGA in 12nm FinFET". in: 2023 IEEE Custom Integrated Circuits Conference (CICC). 2023. DOI: 10.1109/CICC57935.2023.101212
- Ang Li, August Ning, and David Wentzlaff. "Duet: Creating Harmony between Processors and Embedded FPGAs". In: 2023 IEEE International Symposium on High-Performance Computer Architecture (HPCA). 2023. DOI: 10.1109/HPCA56546.2023.10070989
- Sanmitra Banerjee, Arjun Chaudhuri, August Ning, and Krishnendu Chakrabarty. "Variation-Aware Delay Fault Testing for Carbon-Nanotube FET Circuits". In: *IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) Systems* 29.2 (2021), pp. 409–422. DOI: 10.1109/TVLSI.2020.3045417

Workshop Presentations

- 2. August Ning and David Wentzlaff. "Computer Architectures for Chip Surplus". In: ACM Student Research Competition at MICRO 2022 (2022)
- 1. August Ning, Georgios Tziantzioulis, and David Wentzlaff. "Supply Chain Aware Chip Architecture". In: The Fourth Young Architect Workshop at ASPLOS 2022 (2022)

Talks

NYU Computer Architecture Day -	
"Chip Architectures Under Advanced Computing Sanctions"	2024
Princeton ACM - "Should You go to Grad School?"	2024
AMD Research - "Supply Chain Aware Computer Architecture"	2023
Princeton Graduate Fellowship Panel, Panelist	2022
Princeton EGR 152 - "Spotlight on Engineering"	2022

Teaching

Princeton

Graduate Teaching Assistant - grading, office hours, recitations

ECE/COS 475/575: Computer Architecture

Spring 2022

Prof. David Wentzlaff

Duke

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant - grading, office hours, lab instruction

ECE 110: Fundamentals of ECE

Fall 2018, Spring 2018, 2019, 2020

Prof. Stacy Tantum

ECE 230: Microelectronic Devices and Circuits

Fall 2018

Prof. Aaron Franklin

ECE 350: Digital Systems

Prof. Rabih Younes, Prof. John Board

Non Research Experience

Microsoft May 2020 - Aug. 2020

Software Engineering Intern – Redmond, WA (Remote)

Azure hardware acceleration. Project implemented in C/C++

Burns & McDonnell

May 2019 - Aug. 2019

Electrical Engineering Summer Analyst - Chicago, IL

Substation design (physical and wiring diagrams) contracts for ComEd and LGE-KU

Professional and Academic Service

ISCA 2024 - Artifact Evaluation Committee	Jun. 2024
ISCA 2023 - Undergrad Architecture Mentoring (uArch) Workshop Mentor	Jun. 2023
ASPLOS 2023 Social Co-Chair	Apr. 2023
Computer Architecture Student Association (CASA) Steering Committee	Aug. 2022 - Present

Princeton

Whitman College - Resident Graduate Student	Aug. 2023 - Present
Princeton ACM - Graduate Student Liaison	Jan. 2023 - Present
ECE Department Graduate Committee	Aug. 2022 - Present
Princeton-Intel REU Program - Graduate Research Mentor	Jun. 2022 - Jul. 2022
Princeton Graduate Student Government	Jan. 2021 - Present
CSC Social Committee Member	

GSG Social Committee Member

Electrical and Computer Engineering Assembly Representative

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Duke	
Duke IEEE – Student Branch	Aug. 2016 - May 2020
Vice President (2017) and President (2018-2020)	
Tau Beta Pi (NC Gamma) - Treasurer	May 2019 - May 2020
Engineering World Health Tanzania - Volunteer BMET	May 2017 - Aug. 2017

Honors

Princeton - ECE Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Service	2023
Princeton - Gordon Y. S. Wu Fellowship	2020
National Science Foundation – Graduate Research Fellowship	2020
Otto Meier Jr. Tau Beta Pi Award	2020
Chief Student Marshal	2019
IEEE Eta Kappa Nu	2019
Tau Beta Pi	2019
DAAD RISE Germany Scholarship	2018
Bingle Family Scholarship	2017
Travel Grants: ASPLOS 2022 (YArch), MICRO 2022 (SRC), HPCA 2023, ASPLOS 2023,	

ISCA 2023

Miscellaneous

Languages: Fluent in English, Mandarin Chinese, proficient in German, Spanish, Swahili

Hobbies: House Plants, Gardening, Day Hiking, Cooking

Nationality: USA

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