# Che-Kai Liu

## Curriculum Vitae last update: 8/24/2023

#### Education

2023–present **PhD, Electrical & Computer Engineering**, *Georgia Institute of Technology*, Atlanta, GA, USA. Research Focus: Computer Architecture and VLSI.

Advisor: Steve W. Chaddick school chair and Prof., Arijit Raychowdhury

2019–2023 **Bachelor of Engineering, Electronics Science and Technology**, *Zhejiang University*, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, PRC.

Publications \*: Equal Contributions. Underline: Advisors for the paper. †: Correspondence.

### In Conference Proceedings

- MLSys 2023 Zishen Wan, **Che-Kai Liu**\*, Hanchen Yang\*, Chaojian Li\*, Haoran You\*, Yonggan Fu, Cheng Wan, Tushar Krishna<sup>†</sup>, Yingyan (Celine) Lin<sup>†</sup>, and <u>Arijit Raychowdhury</u><sup>†</sup>. \* equal contributions. Towards cognitive ai system: A survey and prospective on neuro-symbolic ai. In *Workshop on Systems for Next-Gen AI Paradigms, Sixth Conference on Machine Learning and Systems*, MLSys 2023.
- ICCAD 2023 Shengxi Shou, **Che-Kai Liu**, Sanggeon Yun, Zishen Wan, Kai Ni, Mohsen Imani, X. Sharon Hu, Jianyi Yang, Cheng Zhuo, and <u>Xunzhao Yin</u><sup>†</sup>. See-mcam: A scalable multi-bit fefet content addressable memory for energy efficient associative search. In *Proceedings of the IEEE/ACM International Conference on Computer-Aided Design. Acceptance rate: 22.9%*. IEEE/ACM, ICCAD 2023.
- DATE 2023 Hamza E. Barkam, Sanggeon Yun, Paul R. Genssler, Zhuowen Zou, **Che-Kai Liu**, Hussam Amrouch, and <u>Mohsen Imani</u><sup>†</sup>. Hdgim: Hyperdimensional genome sequence matching on unreliable highly-scaled fefet. In *Proceedings of the IEEE/ACM Design Automation and Test in Europe. Acceptance rate: 25%.* IEEE/ACM, DATE 2023.
- ACM SRC **Che-Kai Liu**<sup>†</sup>, Mengyuan Li, Mohsen Imani, X. Sharon Hu, and Xunzhao Yin. Compute-in-memory: From device to application. In *ACM Student Research Competition Final*. ACM, ACM SRC 2023.
- ICCAD 2022 **Che-Kai Liu**, Haobang Chen, Mohsen Imani, Kai Ni, Arman Kazemi, Ann Franchesca Laguna, Michael Niemier, Xiaobo Sharon Hu, Liang Zhao, Cheng Zhuo, and <u>Xunzhao Yin</u><sup>†</sup>. Cosime: Fefet based associative memory for in-memory cosine similarity search. In *Proceedings of the 41st IEEE/ACM International Conference on Computer-Aided Design. Acceptance rate: 22%*. IEEE/ACM, ICCAD 2022.

## Professional Experience

Georgia Institute of Technology, USA

Jan, 2023 – Neuro-Symbolic Computer Architecture and Circuit. present

University of California Irvine, USA

Aug. 2022 – Vector Symbolic Algorithm, Circuit and Architecture. Jan. 2023

#### University of Notre Dame, USA

June. 2022 – Reconfigurable Content Addressable Memory Based on Multi-Variate Non-Linear Jan. 2023 Optimization.

#### Zhejiang University, PRC

Dec. 2020 - In-memory Computing Analog Circuits.

May. 2022

## Fellowships & Awards

- 2023 ACM Student Research Competition Finalist (Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> worldwide).
- 2023 Outstanding undergraduate thesis award. Thesis title: "Cross-Layer Optimization for Computing-in-Memory Circuits, Architectures and Applications". Issued: Zhejiang University, PRC
- First Place, ACM Student Research Competition at ACM/IEEE Int'l Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD), 2022. Will represent ACM SIGDA at the ACM banquet 2023.
- 2022 Best presentation award at ACM/IEEE ESWEEK EIC workshop, 2022.
- 2022 Research sponsorship from Fellow of IEEE/ACM Prof. X. Sharon Hu, 2022
- 2022 Research scholarship from the University of Notre Dame, IN, USA 2022
- 2022 Third-Class Scholarship for Award of Merits, 2022. Issued: Zhejiang University
- 2022 Scholarship for Hongkong, Macau, Taiwan and Overseas Chinese. Issued: Ministry of Education, PRC
- 2022 Third-Prize of PRC National Talents Training Base, 2022. Issued: Zhejiang University
- 2022 Outstanding student of innovation and entrepreneurship 2022, academic excellence 2022, international engagement 2022. Issued: Zhejiang University.
- 2021 Scholarship for Hongkong, Macau, Taiwan and Overseas Chinese. Issued: Ministry of Education, PRC
- 2020 Scholarship for Hongkong, Macau, Taiwan and Overseas Chinese. Issued: Ministry of Education, PRC

#### **Talks**

- 2023 "When Vector Symbolic Architecture meets Compute-in-Memory", ICSR Lab, Georgia Institute of Technology, Virtual
- 2022 Student Research Competition, IEEE/ACM 41<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD), San Diego, CA, USA.
- Cosime: Fefet based associative memory for in-memory cosine similarity search, IEEE/ACM  $41^{st}$  International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD), 2023, San Diego, CA, USA.
- 2022 "Compute-in-Memory: A Cross-Layer Perspective", Bias Lab, University of California, Irvine, CA, USA.
- 2022 "An efficient Associative Memory Engine for Cosine Similarity-Based Nearest Neighbor Search", ACM/IEEE Embedded System Week (ESWEEK), Edge Intelligent Computing workshop, virtual.

#### Skills

Technical Cadence Virtuoso, Python (Pytorch), Synopsys DC/VCS/DVE, C, (System) Verilog, APR, Skill MATLAB, Assembly (RISC-V)

#### Reviewer for

2022-present **IEEE JETCAS**.

## Research Agencies Participated

2023–2028 Cocosys: Center for the Co-Design of Cognitive Systems, Funded by: DARPA & SRC,

Center director: Prof. Arijit Raychowdhury.

# Courses Participated during Ph.D. @ GaTech ECE

Fall, 2023: ECE6130: Advanced VLSI Systems, Instructor: Prof. Arijit Raychowdhury.

Fall, 2023: ECE6140: Digital System Tests, Instructor: Prof. Abhijit Chatterjee.

Fall, 2023: ECE4804: VLSI Theory to Tape-out, Instructor: Prof. Visvesh S. Sathe, Audit.

#### References

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Fellow of IEEE

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#### Dr. Xiaobo Sharon Hu

Fellow of IEEE & ACM

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