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EDUCATION

Houston, TX **Rice University**

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

GPA: 3.98/4.00

Honors: President's Honor Roll, Rice University (2022, 2023, 2024)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Rice University Houston, TX

Research Assistant

Dec 2023 - Present

Expected Graduation: Dec 2025

- Proposed SpartanServe, a system designed for concurrent LLM serving using multiple structurally sparse adapters
- Developed a unified matrix multiplication operation and memory management technique that enables efficient batching
- Applied Triton kernels and CUDA graphs to further accelerate matrix multiplication in concurrent LLM serving
- Achieved 2.12x speedup over S-LoRA when serving 96 adapters using a single NVIDIA A100 GPU (40GB)
- Authored paper "In Defense of Structural Sparse Adapters for Concurrent LLM Serving," accepted to ES-FoMo'2024

Rice University Houston, TX

Research Assistant

Aug 2023 - Oct 2023

- Contributed to the development of a CNN + BiLSTM model for arrhythmia classification using real-world ECG data
- Trained and benchmarked a ResNet18 model against the proposed model using the MIT-BIH arrhythmia database
- Demonstrated superior performance compared to existing baselines on proprietary dataset, achieving an average accuracy of 95% for binary classification and 88% for multi-label classification
- Co-authored a paper submitted to the Digital Health journal, currently under full consideration for publication

Baylor College of Medicine

Houston, TX

Research Assistant

Aug 2022 – Dec 2022

- Developed a sequence-sampling API for a whole-genome DNA methylation analysis software in a team of four
- Implemented a resampling algorithm using NumPy, improving selection efficiency of target DNA region by 2 times
- Visualized discovered DNA regions and created summaries of resampling results using Pandas and Matplotlib
- Used parallel programming on a Linux cluster server to improve API efficiency, allowing 20x data processing speedup

PUBLICATION & MANUSCRIPT

- Junda Su, Zirui Liu, Zeju Qiu, Weiyang Liu, Zhaozhuo Xu. "In Defense of Structural Sparse Adapters for Concurrent LLM Serving" In submission to EMNLP'2024. Accepted in ES-FOMO at ICML'24) [paper] [poster]
- Guangyao Zheng, Sunghan Lee, Jeonghwan Koh, Khushbu Pahwa, Haoran Li, Zicheng Xu, Haiming Sun, Junda Su, Sung Pil Cho, Sung Il Im, In cheol Jeong, Vladimir Braverman. "Hierarchical Deep Learning for Autonomous Multilabel Arrhythmia Detection and Classification on Real-world Wearable ECG Data" In submission to Digital Health

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Tokio Marine HCC Houston, TX

Technology Advancement Program Intern

May 2023 – Aug 2023

- Designing and developing quote submission and retrieval APIs for an insurance website, implementing RESTful architecture to ensure scalability and flexibility
- Employed AWS API Gateway for traffic scaling and Mongo DB, AWS, and PostgreSQL for data management
- Led daily standup meeting and biweekly sprint planning; represented the team in company-wide demo sessions
- Designed and wrote specific documentation to help developers quickly and effectively use our tools

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Rice University	Houston, TX
Teaching Assistant	
 COMP 321: Introductions to Computer Systems 	Jan 2024 – May 2024
COMP 382: Reasoning about Algorithms	Aug 2023 – Dec 2024
COMP 182: Algorithmic Thinking	Jan 2023 – May 2023

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

LLM Finetuning Project

Houston, TX

Team Member

Jan 2024 – May 2024

- Evaluated Huggingface parameter-efficient fine-tuning methods for aligning LLMs such as Falcon, Gemma, and Phi-2.
- Investigated the impact of different 4-bit quantization schemes on fine-tuning LLMs for NLP tasks.
- Demonstrated that fine-tuning smaller LLMs (under 3 billion parameters) can achieve comparable performance to larger LLMs (around 7 billion parameters) such as Llama2-7B on domain-specific tasks.

NoSQL Document Database Project

Houston, TX

Team Member

Aug 2023 – Oct 2023

- Used Golang to create a network accessible NoSQL document database in a team of three
- Implemented RESTful web services to allow concurrent database queries, updates, and subscription
- Implemented robust data synchronization mechanisms, achieving strong reliability in a distributed system
- Utilized advanced database indexing and query optimization techniques to improve query response times by 30%

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, Golang, C, C++, C#
- Tools: PyTorch, Triton-lang, CUDA, Hugging Face, Git
- Frameworks: .Net, React, HTML, CSS, GraphQL, MongoDB, AWS, SQL
- Skills: Machine Learning Systems, Natural Language Processing, LLM, Deep Learning