Minkyoung Cho

Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests

Systems for Machine Learning, Machine Learning for Systems, Neural Network Optimization for Real-time Systems, On-device AI, Hardware-efficient Machine Learning Algorithms

EDUCATION

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)

Daejeon, Republic of Korea

Master of Science in Computer Science Advisor: Prof. Younghee Lee Mar 2015 – Feb 2017

• Ewha Womans University

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering

Seoul, Republic of Korea Mar 2011 – Feb 2015

Summa Cum Laude

Publications

- 1. Donghyun Lee*, Minkyoung Cho*, Seungwon Lee, Joonho Song, and Changkyu Choi. "A Novel Sensitivity Metric For Mixed-Precision Quantization With Synthetic Data Generation." *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, September 2021, *Equal contribution.
- 2. Minkyoung Cho, Younggi Kim, and Younghee Lee. "Contextual Relationship-based Activity Segmentation on an Event Stream in the IoT Environment with Multi-user Activities." Proceedings of the 3rd Workshop on Middleware for Context-Aware Applications in the IoT (M4IoT), December 2016.
- 3. Dahee Jung, Minkyoung Cho, Omprakash Gnawali, and HyungJune Lee. "Proactive Patrol Dispatch Surveillance System by Inferring Mobile Trajectories of Multiple Intruders using Binary Proximity Sensors." The 35th Annual IEEE International Conference on Computer Communication (INFOCOM), April 2016.
- 4. Mijin Kim, Minkyoung Cho, Aeyoung Kim, and Sang-Ho Lee. "A VC-based Joint Account Operation Scheme for Mobile Banking." Proceedings of the Korea Computer Congress (KCC), August 2013.

PATENTS

- 1. Minkyoung Cho, Wonjo Lee, and Seungwon Lee. "Method and Apparatus for Performing Pruning of Neural Network." *US20210081798A1*. Issued Mar 18, 2021. *Mounted on Samsung Galaxy S11*.
- 2. Songyi Han, **Minkyoung Cho**, and Seungwon Lee. "A **Method and An Apparatus for Performing Convolution Operations.**" *US20210201132A1*. Issued Jul 1, 2021.
- 3. Wonjo Lee, Youngmin Oh, and Minkyoung Cho. "Apparatus and Method for Channelwise Neural Network Compression." Republic of Korea Patent Application No. 20200132151. Filed Oct 13, 2020.
- 4. Minkyoung Cho, Searom Choi, and Seungwon Lee. "Method for Zero-shot Pruning without Retraining." *Republic of Korea Patent Application No. 20200128136.* Filed Oct 5, 2020.
- Donghyeok Kwon, and Minkyoung Cho. "Method of replacing Bilinear Interpolation with Depthwise Transposed Convolution." Republic of Korea Patent Application No. 20200111842. Filed Apr 29, 2020.

INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

· Artificial Intelligence Researcher

Suwon, Republic of Korea

Samsung Advanced Institute of Technology @ Samsung Electronics

Mar 2018 - Present

- Neural Network Optimization: Designed and implemented hardware-efficient model optimization algorithms for Samsung Exynos NPU & released on Samsung AI SDK.
- **Software/hardware Co-design**: Designed and implemented a new number system for the next-generation NPU architecture.

ACADEMIC RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

· Research Intern

Remote @ Suwon, Republic of Korea

The University of Michigan (Advisor: Prof. Kang G. Shin)

Feb 2021 - Present

- **Resource allocation on embedded systems**: Found a problem in running vision apps on multi-tenant systems. Designed a resouce allocation algorithm to satisfy apps' timing requirements.
- Neural Network Optimization: Reduced resource and computational cost of NN models via mixed-precision quantization.

• Graduate Research Assistant

Daejeon, Republic of Korea

Computer Networks Lab, KAIST (Advisor: Prof. Younghee Lee)

Mar 2015 - Feb 2017

- **Automated Activity Segmentation System (***M4IoT'16***)**: Found a research topic in IoT environment, designed and implemented automated activity segmentation system, and led to paper submission.
- Wireless Sensor Network: Implemented smart home/office environment using MQTT and TCP protocols, set up testbed on KAIST campus building, and managed IoT data stream from user activities.

• Undergraduate Research Assistant

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Intelligent Networked Systems Lab, Ewha Womans Univ. (Advisor: Prof. Hyung June Lee)

Nov 2013 - Dec 2014

- Proactive Patrol Dispatch Surveillance System (INFOCOM'16): Worked on two core algorithms: 1) inferring future trajectories of multiple intruders in a building and 2) maximizing the detection probability of multiple intruders while minimizing moving distance the patrol officers.
- **Wireless Sensor Network**: Implemented TinyOS-based ZigBee network consisting of TelosB motes (binary proximity sensors) and set up testbed on Ewha campus building.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Seoul, Republic of Korea

Security and Theory of Computing Lab, Ewha Womans Univ. (Advisor: Prof. Sang-Ho Lee)

Dec 2012 – Feb 2013

 Visual Cryptography: Developed joint account management algorithm in mobile banking system based on visual cryptography.

Honors and Awards

Korea National Scholarship

Mar 2015

KAIST and Korea Ministry of Science and ICT

Dean's List Award

Apr 2012, Oct 2012, Apr 2013, Oct 2013, Apr 2014, Oct 2014

Ewha Womans University

• 3rd Prize, 2014 Ewha Engineering Capstone Design Contest

Dec 2014

Ewha Womans University

2nd Prize, 2014 Ewha Engineering Student Portfolio Contest

Dec 2014

Ewha Womans University

• Choice Award, University Student ICT Vision Contest

Jul 2014

SK Telecom

2nd Prize, 2013 Ewha Programming Contest (JAVA)

Mar 2013

Ewha Womans University

TEACHING AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Teaching: Main TA, Introduction to Computer Networks @ KAIST
- Counseling: Counseling Assistant for CS Students @ KAIST, Sep 2015 Aug 2016
- Tutoring: Data Structure, Operating Systems, and Java Programming @ Ewha Womans University
- Languages: Python, C, Java, Markdown, LTFX
- Frameworks: PyTorch, Caffe, MATLAB, Linux, TinyOS