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EDUCATION

Tsinghua University, Beijng, China

2016.09 - Present

Ph.D. student in Computer Science and Technology Advisor(s): Prof. Jianping Wu and Asoc. Prof. Dan Li

Research Interest: Distributed System, Networking Optimization, and System Security

University of Electronic Science and Technology of China, Chengdu, China

2012.09 - 2016.07

B.Eng. in Software Engineering GPA/Ranking: 3.8/4.0, 1st/103

WORKING EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Research Asia, Research Intern

2018.04 - 2018.10

• Leading the AIPre project to accelerate end-to-end DL workflow in the cloud.

Chengdu Haocaiduo Agricultural Technology Co. Ltd., Developing Engineer 2014.06 – 2014.07

• Developing intelligent agricultural management system to simplify the management of crops;

Tsinghua University, Teaching Assistant

| • [00240112-90], [undergraduates], Next Generation Internet | Spring of 2019 |
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| • [00240112-90], [undergraduates], Next Generation Internet | Spring of 2018 |
| • [74120023-0], [graduates], Security Foundation and Frontier of Cyberspace | Autumn of 2017 |

SELECTED PROJECTS

AIPre: Boosting end-to-end DL eorkflows in the cloud

2018.04 - 2018.10

- Evaluate the performance of deep learning systems widely used today, from an end-to-end perspective;
- Offload data preprocessing workloads to FPGAs to remove the CPU bottleneck in end2end DL workflows;
- Overlap computation and communication by re-scheduling the computation workflow in BP;

BML: A scalable and high-performance DML system

2017.09 - 2018.01

- Design novel synchronization paradigms for distributed Tensorflow, reducing data to be synchronized;
- Incorporate RDMA and BCube topology to achieve high-performance data communication primitives;
- Outperform the PS paradigm and the Ring paradigm by up to $2.4 \times$ and $1.2 \times$, respectively.

Virtual desktop management and control system

2015.01 - 2015.08

- Design a high-performance, cross-platform virtual desktop management system, with the SPICE protocol;
- Implement tin-clients for Android and PC platform respectively, to and interact with remote VM servers;
- Design and implement SMx(2/3/4)-based encryption mechanism to protect user information from leakage

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Yang Cheng, Dan Li, Zhiyuan Guo, Binyao Jiang, Jiaxin Lin, Xi Fan, Jinkun Geng, Xinyi Yu, Wei Bai, Lei Qu, Ran Shu, Peng Cheng, Yongqiang Xiong, and Jianping Wu, "DLBooster: Boosting End-to-End Deep Learning Workflows with Offloading Data Preprocessing Pipelines", *In Proceedings of the 48th International Conference on Parallel Processing (ICPP 2019)*
- 2. Shuai Wang, Dan Li, Jinkun Geng, Yue Gu, and **Yang Cheng**, "Impact of Network Topology on the Performance of DML: Theoretical Analysis and Practical Factors", *In IEEE INFOCOM 2019-IEEE Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM 2019)*

- 3. Songtao Wang, Dan Li, **Yang Cheng**, Jinkun Geng, Yanshu Wang, Shuai Wang, Shutao Xia, and Jianping Wu, "BML: A High-performance, Low-cost Gradient Synchronization Algorithm for DML Training", *In Thirty-second Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2018)*
- 4. **Yang Cheng**, Jinkun Geng, Yanshu Wang, Junfeng Li, Dan Li, and Jianping Wu, "Bridging machine learning and computer network research: a survey", *CCF Transactions on Networking (CCF ToN)*, 2018
- 5. Zhetao Li, Fei Gui, Jinkun Geng, Dan Li, Zhibo Wang, Junfeng Li, **Yang Cheng**, and Usama Zafar, "Dante: Enabling FOV-Aware Adaptive FEC Coding for 360-Degree Video Streaming", *In Proceedings of the 2nd Asia-Pacific Workshop on Networking (APNet 2018)*
- 6. Jinkun Geng, Dan Li, Yang Cheng, Shuai Wang, and Junfeng Li, "HiPS: Hierarchical Parameter Synchronization in Large-Scale Distributed Machine Learning", *In Proceedings of the 2018 Workshop on Network Meets AI & ML (NetAI 2018)*
- 7. Junfeng Li, Dan Li, Yukai Huang, **Yang Cheng**, and Ruilin Ling, "Quick NAT: High performance NAT system on commodity platforms", *In 2017 IEEE International Symposium on Local and Metropolitan Area Networks (LANMAN 2017)*

SELECTED HONORS

| Outstanding graduates in Sichuan province | Jun. 2016 |
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| Tang Lixin Scholarship, UESTC | Sep. 2015 |
| National Scholarship | Sep. 2015 |
| National Endeavor Scholarship | Sep. 2013 |
| First price, Award on the 8 th National College Student Information Security Contest | Aug. 2015 |
| First price, Award on the 6 th National College Students Mathematics Competition, Sichuan | Nov. 2014 |