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I am a fourth-year Ph.D. student at Peking University's Center for Energy-efficient Computing and Applications (CECA), where I am supervised by Prof. Guangyu Sun. My research interests primarily lie in the areas of computer architecture, near-data processing, domain-specific accelerators, deep learning systems, and heterogeneous computing. I pay particular attention to addressing the **Memory Wall** problem, which is especially challenging for emerging memory-intensive workloads. Through my work, I have published as the first author in top-tier computer architecture/system conferences/journals including **HPCA (Won the Best Paper Award)**, **USENIX ATC**, **DAC**, **PACT**, and **TCAD**.

Education

- **Peking University** **Beijing**
Computer Science, Ph.D Student *2019–2024 (expected)*
 - **Peking University** **Beijing**
Earth Science, Bachelor *2015–2019*
- Double Major:** Computer Science

Honor & Award

- **2023: HPCA Best Paper Award (2 papers out of 360 submissions)**
- **2022: ByteDance Scholarship (10 positions in China)**
- **2022: China National Scholarship for Doctoral Students (top 2%)**
- **2022: Academic Innovation Award of Peking University (top 1%)**
- **2021: Merit Student of Peking University**
- **2016: Excellent Social Work Award of Peking University**

Industrial Experience

- **Microsoft Research Asia (System&Networking Group)** **Beijing, China**
Research Intern, Memory System in Next-gen Data-Centers *Aug 2022 –*
I am focused on how to optimize the emerging Compute Express Link (CXL) based huge memory / disaggregated memory systems via hardware / OS co-optimization.
- **Alibaba DAMO Academy (Machine Intelligence Lab)** **Beijing, China**
Research Intern, Large Language Model Acceleration *May 2021 – Jan 2022*
I researched efficient Transformer algorithms and inference serving systems. I proposed PetS, a unified framework for parameter-efficient transformers serving. This framework can improve the serving capacity by 26x and speeds up a multi-task transformers serving system by 50%. PetS has been published in the USENIX ATC'22 conference.
- **Alibaba DAMO Academy (T-HEAD Semiconductor)** **Shanghai and Beijing, China**
Research Intern, Intelligent Graph Processing *July 2020 – January 2021*

I researched efficient GNN (Graph Neural Networks) algorithms and accelerators. I proposed to compress and accelerate GNNs with block-circulant weight matrices. BlockGNN is suitable for many compute-intensive GNNs and can achieve up to 8x speedup compared to baseline accelerators.

- **Advanced Institute of Information Technology (AIIT)** **Hangzhou, China**
Research Intern, Edge Computing *April 2019 – April 2020*
I studied and developed an anomaly detection system, which is able to detect the anomaly of machines by analysing the vibration signal with an LSTM network. It includes low-power FPGAs (IoT side) to run the LSTM model, an edge server to perform online training. This project has won the first place in the “New infrastructure application scenario innovation competition of Zhe Jiang province”.

Teaching

- **Teaching Assistant.** Computer Architecture Practice, 2020 fall, 2019 fall.
In this class, we taught students how to design, optimize and implement DNN accelerators using Vivado HLS on Xilinx PYNQ FPGAs.

Technical and Personal Skill

- **Programming Language:** C/C++, Python, OpenCL, CUDA.
- **Hardware Design Language:** Vivado HLS, Verilog, Chisel.
- **Simulation / Emulation Tools:** FireSim, Zsim, Ramulator, DRAMSim, SniperSim, ChampSim, QEMU
- **Others:** Linux, Docker, L^AT_EX

Publication

Zhe Zhou, Cong Li, Fan Ynag, and Guangyu Sun. Dimm-link: Enabling efficient inter-dimm communication for near-memory processing. In *HPCA (Best Paper Award)*, 2023. **(CCF-A)**.

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