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RESEARCH INTERESTS

HPC & AI: Parallel and distributed computing, Task-based runtime systems, Linear algebra algorithms, Extreme-scale applications, and Large-scale machine learning & deep learning

EDUCATION

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK), Computer Science PhD, High Performance Computing Advisor: Dr. Jack Dongarra (Turing Award 2021) Group Leader & Co-Advisor: Dr. George Bosilca	2016 - 2022
Ocean University of China (OUC), Computer Application Technology MS, Image Processing & Parallel Computing Advisors: Dr. Yuntao Qian (Zhejiang University), Dr. Zhiqiang Wei (OUC)	2013 - 2016
Hunan University (HNU), Information and Computational Science BS, Mathematics	2005 - 2009
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➡ PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Department of Computer Science, Saint Louis University (SLU)

Assistant Professor	2023 - Present
Innovative Computer Laboratory (ICL), UTK Post-Doctoral Research Associate	Knoxville, TN 2023
Cerebras Systems, Inc. Member of Technical Staff	Sunnyvale, CA 2022 - 2023
Innovative Computer Laboratory (ICL), UTK Graduate Research Assistant	Knoxville, TN 2017 - 2022
Cerebras Systems, Inc. Summer Intern	Sunnyvale, CA 2021
Cadence Design Systems, Inc. Summer Intern	Austin, TX 2020
National University of Defense Technology (NUDT) HPC Software Developer & Research Scientist	Changsha, China 2010 - 2013

St. Louis, MO

PHONORS & AWARDS

♦ ACM Gordon Bell Prize for Climate Modelling	2024
♦ ACM Gordon Bell Prize, Finalist	2024
$\diamond~20{,}000$ Node Hours on Frontier Supercomputer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, US	2024
$\diamond~206{,}780$ Node Hours on Summit Supercomputer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, US	2024
$\diamond~20{,}000$ Node Hours on Frontier Supercomputer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, US	2024
♦ ACM Gordon Bell Prize, Finalist	2022
\diamond 4,000,000 Node Hours on Fugaku Supercomputer, RIKEN, Japan	2022
♦ SIAM Student Travel Award	2021
$\diamond~40{,}000$ Node Hours on Summit Supercomputer, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, US	2021

♦ Best Paper Award, CLUSTER	2020
\diamond Graduate Student Senate (GSS) Travel Awards, UTK	2020
\diamond Honor of Outstanding Graduates, OUC	2014
\diamond Graduate Student Scholarship, OUC	2014
\diamond Honor of Annual Advanced Worker, NUDT	2010, 2011
\diamond Honor of Bronze Medal of Tian He-1A, NUDT	2010
\diamond Outstanding Scholarship, HNU	2006, 2007
♦ Honor of Excellent Student Cadre, HNU	2006

PUBLICATIONS

♦ Conference Papers

- Sameh Abdulah, Allison H. Baker, George Bosilca, Qinglei Cao, Stefano Castruccio, Marc G. Genton, David E. Keyes, Zubair Khalid, Hatem Ltaief, Yan Song, Georgiy L. Stenchikov, and Ying Sun. Boosting Earth System Model Outputs And Saving PetaBytes in their Storage Using Exascale Climate Emulators. International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC, ACM Gordon Bell Prize for Climate Modelling), 2024 [PDF]
- Hatem Ltaief, Rabab Alomairy, Qinglei Cao, Jie Ren, Lotfi Slim, Thorsten Kurth, Benedikt Dorschner, Salim Bougouffa, Rached Abdelkhalek, and David E. Keyes. Toward Capturing Genetic Epistasis From Multivariate Genome-Wide Association Studies Using Mixed-Precision Kernel Ridge Regression. International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC, ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalist), 2024 [PDF]
- 3. Shihui Song, Yafan Huang, Peng Jiang, Xiaodong Yu, Weijian Zheng, Sheng Di, Qinglei Cao, Yunhe Feng, Zhen Xie, and Franck Cappello. CereSZ: Enabling and Scaling Error-bounded Lossy Compression on Cerebras CS-2. International Symposium on High-Performance Parallel and Distributed Computing (HPDC), 2024 [PDF]
- 4. Kareem Shaik, Dali Wang, Weijian Zheng, Qinglei Cao, Heng Fan, Peter Schwartz, and Yunhe Feng. S3LLM: Large-Scale Scientific Software Understanding with LLMs using Source, Metadata, and Document. International Conference on Computational Science (ICCS), 2024 [PDF]
- 5. Qinglei Cao, Thomas Herault, Aurelien Bouteiller, Joseph Schuchart, and George Bosilca. Evaluating PaRSEC through Matrix Computations in Scientific Applications. Workshop on Asynchronous Many-Task Systems and Applications (WAMTA), 2024 [PDF]
- 6. Qinglei Cao, Sameh Abdulah, Hatem Ltaief, Marc G Genton, David E Keyes, and George Bosilca. Reducing Data Motion and Energy Consumption of Geospatial Modeling Applications Using Automated Precision Conversion. IEEE International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER), 2023 [PDF]
- 7. Qinglei Cao, Sameh Abdulah, Rabab Alomairy, Yu Pei, Pratik Nag, George Bosilca, Jack Dongarra, Marc G Genton, David E Keyes, Hatem Ltaief, and Ying Sun. Reshaping geostatistical modeling and prediction for extreme-scale environmental applications. International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC, ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalist), 2022 [PDF]
- 8. Qinglei Cao, Rabab Alomairy, Yu Pei, George Bosilca, Hatem Ltaief, David Keyes, and Jack Dongarra. A framework to exploit data sparsity in tile low-rank Cholesky factorization. IEEE International Parallel & Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS), 2022 [PDF]
- 9. Qinglei Cao, Yu Pei, Kadir Akbudak, George Bosilca, Hatem Ltaief, David Keyes, and Jack Dongarra. Leveraging parsec runtime support to tackle challenging 3d data-sparse matrix problems. IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS), 2021 [PDF]
- 10. Yunhe Feng, Dong Zhong, Peng Sun, Weijian Zheng, Qinglei Cao, Xi Luo, and Zheng Lu. Micromobility in smart cities: A closer look at shared dockless e-scooters via big social data. IEEE International Conference on Communications (ICC), 2021 [PDF]

- 11. Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, Wei Wu, Dong Zhong, Aurelien Bouteiller, and Jack Dongarra. Flexible data redistribution in a task-based runtime system. IEEE International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER), 2020 [PDF]
- Qinglei Cao, Yu Pei, Kadir Akbudak, Aleksandr Mikhalev, George Bosilca, Hatem Ltaief, David Keyes, and Jack Dongarra. Extreme-scale task-based Cholesky factorization toward climate and weather prediction applications. ACM Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing Conference (PASC), 2020 [PDF]
- 13. Elliott Slaughter, Wei Wu, Yuankun Fu, Legend Brandenburg, Nicolai Garcia, Wilhem Kautz, Emily Marx, Kaleb S. Morris, Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, Seema Mirchandaney, Wonchan Lee, Sean Treichler, Patrick McCormick, and Alex Aiken. Task bench: a parameterized benchmark for evaluating parallel runtime performance. IEEE/ACM International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC), 2020 [PDF]
- 14. Xi Luo, Wei Wu, George Bosilca, Yu Pei, Qinglei Cao, Thananon Patinyasakdikul, Dong Zhong, and Jack Dongarra. Han: a hierarchical autotuned collective communication framework. IEEE International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER, Best Paper), 2020 [PDF]
- 15. Dong Zhong, Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, and Jack Dongarra. Using advanced vector extensions AVX-512 for MPI reductions. ACM European MPI Users' Group Meeting (EuroMPI), 2020 [PDF]
- Dong Zhong, Pavel Shamis, Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, Shinji Sumimoto, Kenichi Miura, and Jack Dongarra. Using ARM scalable vector extension to optimize OpenMPI. IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Cluster, Cloud and Internet Computing (CCGRID), 2020 [PDF]
- 17. Yu Pei, Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, Piotr Luszczek, Victor Eijkhout, and Jack Dongarra. Communication avoiding 2d stencil implementations over PaRSEC task-based runtime. IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium Workshops (IPDPSW), 2020 [PDF]
- 18. Qinglei Cao, Yu Pei, Thomas Herault, Kadir Akbudak, Aleksandr Mikhalev, George Bosilca, Hatem Ltaief, David Keyes, and Jack Dongarra. Performance analysis of tile low-rank Cholesky factorization using parsec instrumentation tools. IEEE/ACM International Workshop on Programming and Performance Visualization Tools (ProTools at SC), 2019 [PDF]
- 19. Yan Yan, Jie Nie, Lei Huang, Zhen Li, Qinglei Cao, and Zhiqiang Wei. Exploring relationship between face and trustworthy impression using mid-level facial features. International Conference on Multimedia Modeling (MMM), 2016 [PDF]
- 20. Yan Yan, Jie Nie, Lei Huang, Zhen Li, Qinglei Cao, and Zhiqiang Wei. Is your first impression reliable? trustworthy analysis using facial traits in portraits. International Conference on Multimedia Modeling (MMM), 2015 [PDF]

♦ Journal Papers

- 1. Aurelien Bouteiller, Thomas Herault, Qinglei Cao, Joseph Schuchart, and George Bosilca. Parksec: Scalability, Flexibility, and Hybrid Architecture Support for Task-based Applications in ECP. International Journal of High Performance Computing Applications (IJHPCA), 2024
- 2. Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, Nuria Losada, Wei Wu, Dong Zhong, and Jack Dongarra. Evaluating data redistribution in parsec. IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems (TPDS), 2022[PDF]
- 3. Sameh Abdulah, Qinglei Cao, Yu Pei, George Bosilca, Jack Dongarra, Marc G. Genton, David E. Keyes, Hatem Ltaief, and Ying Sun. Accelerating geostatistical modeling and prediction with mixed-precision computations: A high-productivity approach with parsec. IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems (TPDS), 2022 [PDF]
- 4. Dong Zhong, Qinglei Cao, George Bosilca, and Jack Dongarra. Using long vector extensions for MPI reductions. Parallel Computing (PARCO), 2021 [PDF]

♦ Conference Abstracts & Posters

1. Wang, Dali, Peter Schwartz, Fengming Yuan, Daniel M. Ricciuto, Shih-Chieh Kao, Michele Thornton, Anthony Walker, Peter E. Thornton, Qinglei Cao, and Chen Wang. Kilometer-scale E3SM Land Model:

Code Development, Deployment, Evaluation, and Applications. American Geophysical Union (AGU), 2024

- Qinglei Cao, Dali Wang, Zhuowei Gu, Yunhe Feng, Weijian Zheng, and Peter Schwart. Mixed-Precision for Extreme-Scale Geostatistical Modeling on Heterogeneous Platforms. International Congress on Environmental Modelling and Software (iEMSs), 2024
- Dali Wang, Fengming Yuan, Peter Schwartz, Daniel Ricciuto, Peter Thornton, Shih-Chieh Kao, Michele Thornton, Anthony Walker, Qinglei Cao, and Zhuowei Gu. Enable Kilometre-scale E3SM Land Simulation with User-defined Datasets and KiloCraft. International Congress on Environmental Modelling and Software (iEMSs), 2024
- Qinglei Cao, Yu Pei, Kadir Akbudak, Aleksandr Mikhalev, George Bosilca, Hatem Ltaief, David Keyes, and Jack Dongarra. Extreme-Scale Tile Low-Rank Cholesky Factorization Using the PaRSEC Task-Based Runtime. ACM Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing Conference (PASC), 2021

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES	
♦ Editorial Board	
American Journal of Computer Science and Technology	2023 - 2024
♦ Local Organizer	
Workshop on Asynchronous Many-Task Systems and Applications	2025
♦ Technical Program Chair	
Workshop on Asynchronous Many-Task Systems and Applications	2025
♦ Technical Program Committee	
Asynchronous Many-Task systems for Exascale (AMTE)	2025
™ International Conference on Parallel Processing (ICPP)	2024
Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) Undergraduate Consor	tium 2024
International Supercomputing Conference (ISC) High Performance	2024
International Parallel & Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS)	2024
Workshop on HPC on Heterogeneous Hardware	2022, 2023
Intl Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis AD/	AE (SC) 2021
Intl Conference on Advances and Trends in Software Engineering (SOFTENG)	2021 - 2024
♦ Conference & Journal Reviewer	
Workshop on Asynchronous Many-Task Systems and Applications	2024
Parallel Computing	2023
Journal of Supercomputing	2023
IEEE Transactions on Multimedia	2023
ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software (TOMS)	2023
International Conference on Emerging Information Security and Applications	2022
Intl Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis (SC	2020, 2021
PeerJ Computer Science	2021
International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER)	2020
International Conferences on High Performance Computing and Communications (HPCC) 2020, 2021

♥ TEACHING EXPERIENCE

\diamond Lecturer	
CSCI 2510 Principles of Computing Systems	Spring 2025, SLU
CSCI 4620/5620 Distributed Computing	$\mathrm{Fall}\ 2024,\ \mathrm{SLU}$
CSCI 4620/5620 Distributed Computing	Spring 2024, SLU
CSCI 4620/5620 Distributed Computing	$\mathrm{Fall}\ 2023,\ \mathrm{SLU}$
♦ Teaching Assistant	
COSC 594 Scientific Computing for Engineers	Spring 2018, UTK
© COSC 361 Operating Systems	Spring 2017, UTK
© COSC 361 Operating Systems	$Fall\ 2016,\ UTK$
♦ Guest Lecturer	
CSCI 5090 Computer Science Colloquium	$\mathrm{Fall}\ 2024,\ \mathrm{SLU}$
CSCI 5090 Computer Science Colloquium	$\mathrm{Fall}\ 2023,\ \mathrm{SLU}$
CSCE 5300 Introduction to Big Data and Data Science	Fall 2023, UNT
CSCE 5300 Introduction to Big Data and Data Science	Spring 2023, UNT
PRESENTATIONS & TALKS	
♦ Paper Presentation	
Workshop on Asynchronous Many-Task Systems and Applications (WAMTA)	2024
International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER)	2023
International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS)	2021, 2022
International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER)	2020
Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing Conference (PASC)	2020
International Workshop on Programming and Performance Visualization Tools	(ProTools at SC) 2019
♦ Talk	
Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications	2024
Innovative Computer Laboratory (ICL) Lunch Talk	2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
Joint Laboratory on Extreme Scale Computing Workshop (JLESC)	2021
SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE)	2021
SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing (PP)	2020
⋄ Poster	
Joint Laboratory on Extreme Scale Computing Workshop (JLESC)	2020
Platform for Advanced Scientific Computing Conference (PASC)	2020
OPEN SOURCE CONTRIBUTIONS	

- ♦ [PaRSEC]: Task-based runtime system, funded by Exascale Computing Project (ECP)
- \diamond [DPLASMA]: Leading implementation of a dense linear algebra package for distributed system
- ♦ [HiCMA]: Low-rank math library of exploiting the data sparsity of the matrix operator

 $\diamond \ [\textbf{ExaGeostat}] : \ \textbf{Parallel high performance unified framework for computational geostatistics}$

■ MEDIA COVERAGE

$\diamond \ \ Gordon \ Bell \ Prize \ for \ Climate \ Modelling \ Goes \ to \ Team \ for \ Exascale \ Emulator \ Breakthrough[$	HPCwire]
\diamond Gordon Bell Climate Prize Goes to KAUST Frontier Users' Exascale Climate Emulator[ORNL]
♦ Recipients of Prestigious Climate Modelling Prize Developed a Technique to Provide More Accordinate Climate Change Predictions[curate and ACM]
♦ ACM Gordon Bell Prize for Climate Modelling[ACM]
♦ ACM Presents Winners of Gordon Bell Climate Modelling Prize[nsideHPC]
\diamond ORNL's Frontier Powers KAUST-Led Genome Study for Gordon Bell Prize Nomination[HPCwire]
♦ Bigger, Faster, Smarter Genetics Research[ORNL]
\diamond Frontier Users' Exascale Climate Emulator Nominated for Gordon Bell Climate Prize[ORNL]
\diamond Presenting the Finalists for the 2024 Gordon Bell Prize[SC24
\diamond Three Finalists for the 2024 Gordon Bell Prize for Climate Modelling[SC24]
♦ Researchers Benchmark Nvidia's GH200 Supercomputing Chips[HPCwire]
$\diamond \ \ Gordon \ Bell \ Prize \ Finalists \ Develop \ Method \ for \ More \ Efficient \ Computing[AAAS \ Eurekalert][HIII]$	LRS News]
♦ Inside the Gordon Bell Prize Finalist Projects[HPCwire]
\diamond SC22 Unveils ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalists[HPCwire
$\ \diamond \ 2022 \ \text{ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalists Announced} [\qquad \qquad \qquad \text{Communications of} \\$	the ACM]
\diamond What's New in HPC Research: EXA2PRO, DQRA, and HiCMA-PaRSE Frameworks & More[HPCwire]
♦ KAUST Leverages Mixed Precision for Geospatial Data[HPCwire]
♦ Mixing Precision for Model Acceleration[ech Xplore]
\diamond Mixing It Up: Saudi Researchers Accelerate Environmental Models with Mixed Precision[Nvidia]
◇ 「富岳」を用いた3つの研究成果がゴードン・ベル賞ファイナリストに選出されました[RIK	KEN News]

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