

# RUICONG(RAY) CHEN

ruicong-chen.github.io

raychen@mit.edu

www.linkedin.com/in/ruicong-chen/

## SKILLS

### Programming Languages

Python (Pytorch), MATLAB, C/C++, Java, Javascript

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS), **MIT** 2019-Present, Cambridge, MA  
– Masters of Science in EECS 2021  
– CommLab Fellowship  
– Related course: Machine Learning; Quantitative Methods for Natural Language Processing
- B.S., EECS, **Peking University** 2015-2019, Beijing, China  
– Ranking the 1<sup>st</sup> in the department  
– National Scholarship (1%)

## MAIN RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research advisors: Anantha Chandrakasan and Hae-Seung Lee

Cambridge, MA, MIT

- **Bit-flip attacks for Convolutional Neural Networks** Sept 2022-present  
– Attack Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs) with bit-flip attacks  
– Degrade CNNs into a random selector by tweaking 2 out of 10Million CNNs' parameters  
– Improve the bit search efficiency by 50% using incremental bit search
- **Statistical modeling of analog neural networks**<sup>3</sup> June 2021-Aug 2022  
– Modeled the analog neural networks performance with circuit parameters  
– Reduced the modeling time by 10 times using linear regression model  
– Increased the accuracy of analog neural networks from 30% to 80% with non-linear quantization
- **Machine learning attacks for Internet-of-things (IoT) devices**<sup>1,2</sup> Sept 2019-June 2021  
– Increased side-channel attack success from 2% to 98% with CNNs  
– Improved the robustness of IoT devices by 100 times with randomization  
– Analyzed different vulnerability sources for IoT devices

## FEATURED PUBLICATIONS

1. Sniff-SAR: A 9.8fJ/c.-s 12b secure ADC with detection-driven protection against power and EM side-channel attack, The 2023 International Solid-state Circuit Conference (**CICC 2023**)  
**R.-C Chen**, A. Chandrakasan, H.-S Lee
2. RaM-SAR: A Low Energy and Area Overhead, 11.3fJ/conv.-step 12b 25MS/s Secure Random-Mapping SAR ADC with Power and EM Side-channel Attack Resilience, The 2022 International Symposium on VLSI Circuits (**VLSI-C 2022**)  
**R.-C Chen**, H.-R Wang, A. Chandrakasan, H.-S Lee
3. A Bit-level Sparsity-aware SAR ADC with Direct Hybrid Encoding for Signed Expressions for AIoT Applications, The 2022 International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design (**ISLPED 2022**)  
**R.-C Chen**, H. T. Kung, A. Chandrakasan, H.-S Lee
4. Enabling Self-Reconfigurability for Wireless and Batteryless Micro-Implant, The 26th Annual International Conference on Mobile Computing and Networking (**MobiCOM 2020**)  
M.-R, Abdelhamid, **R.-C Chen**, J.-Y Chou, A. Chandrakasan, F. Adib

## PHYSICS OLYMPIAD AWARDS

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, 33<sup>th</sup> National Physics Competition of Undergrad 2016 2016, Beijing, China
- Bronze medal, 31<sup>th</sup> Chinese National Physics Olympiad 2014, Hangzhou, China
- Gold medal, Pan-Pearl River Delta and Chinese Elite Schools Physics Olympiad 2014, Shenzhen, china

## LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

- Session Chair of MIT MTL Annual Research Conference (MARC) 2021
- Reviewers of ISCAS, TVLSI, T-CAS I, and T-CAS II Current
- MIT Faculty Search Student Advisory Committee 2020-2021