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## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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## EXPERIENCE

2025.5-2025.8            **Intern, Logic Pathfinding Lab Research Scientist - DTCO,**  
                                 *Samsung Semiconductor, Inc., San Jose, CA, USA*  
  
2024.5-2024.8            **Intern, Logic Pathfinding Lab Research Scientist - SRAM,**  
                                 *Samsung Semiconductor, Inc., San Jose, CA, USA*  
  
2020-2022                **Research Assistant,**  
                                 *Southeast University, Nanjing, Jiangsu, China*  
                                 Advisor: **Dr. Weiwei Shan**

## EDUCATION

2022-present            **Ph.D. University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, USA**  
                                 Department of Electrical Engineering  
                                 Advisor: **Dr. Ningyuan Cao**  
  
2016-2020                **B.S. Southeast University, Nanjing, Jiangsu, China**  
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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

My current research interests include physical unclonable function (PUF) design, content-addressable memory (CAM) design, compute in memory (CIM), and on-chip entropy source design.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

### Conferences

2025                      L. Pei, Y. Zhou, X. Wang, X. Zhao, W. Huang, **B. Cheng**, H. Mulaosmanovic, S. Duenkel, D. Kleimaier, S. Beyer, K. Ni, M. Hou, M. Niemier, N. Cao, "Towards Uncertainty-aware Robotic Perception via Mixed-signal BNN Engine Leveraging Probabilistic Quantum Tunneling," in **DAC '25**  
  
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2024                      J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, Z. Enciso, S. Davis, and N. Cao, "CIPUF: Towards On-chip Learnable Anomaly Detection with Compute-In-PUF Architecture," in **ISLPED '24**  
  
2024                      **B. Cheng**, J. Liu, S. Davis, Z. Enciso, Y. Zhang, and N. Cao, "VAE-HDC: Efficient and Secure Hyper-dimensional Encoder Leveraging Variation Analog Entropy," in **DAC '24**

- 2024 **B. Cheng**, J. Liu, S. Davis, Z. Enciso, L. Pei, M. Chang, and N. Cao, "A 65 nm Neuromorphic Bio-Signal Encoder with Compute-in-Entropy Architecture 7.13 nJ Privacy-Preserving Encoding and 2.38 Mb/mm<sup>2</sup> Item Memory Density," in **VLSI '24**
- 2023 J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, P. Zeng, S. Davis, M. Chang and N. Cao, "Privacy-by-Sensing with Time-domain Differentially-Private Compressed Sensing," in **DATE '23**
- 2022 N. Cao, J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, and M. Chang, "Stochastic Mixed-Signal Circuit Design for In-Sensor Privacy," in **ICCAD '22**

### **Journals**

- 2025 J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, X. Zhao, et al., "A Physically-Unclonable Bio-Signal Encoder for Privacy-preserving IoMT Applications," in *IEEE Internet of Things Journal (IoTJ)*
- 2024 S. Davis, J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, M. Chang and N. Cao, "In-Situ Privacy via Mixed-Signal Perturbation and Hardware-Secure Data Reversibility," in **TCAS-I**
- 2023 Y. Du, Z. Chen, **B. Cheng**, and W. Shan, "Design and analysis of leading one/zero detector based approximate multipliers," in *Microelectronics Journal*
- 2023 Z. Chen, Y. Du, **B. Cheng**, and W. Shan, "Design of high-efficiency complex multiplier for fault-tolerant computation," in *Integration*
- 2022 N. Cao, B. Chatterjee, J. Liu, **B. Cheng**, et al., "A 65 nm Wireless Image SoC Supporting On-Chip DNN Optimization and Real-Time Computation-Communication Trade-Off via Actor-Critical Neuro Controller" in **JSSC**
- 2021 Z. Cai, **B. Cheng**, Y. Du, X. Shang and W. Shan, "A Time-Domain Binary CNN Engine With Error-Detection-Based Resilience in 28nm CMOS," in **TCAS-II**

### **PATENTS**

- 2021 **Ultra-low Power Keyword Spotting Neural Network Circuit**, U.S. Patent

### **PEER REVIEWS**

IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) Systems (**TVLSI**)  
 IEEE Sensors Letters

### **SKILLS**

**Skills:** Mixed-signal Circuit, RISC-V, Circuit Layout, Physical Unclonable Function (PUF), Compute in Memory (CiM), Content-Addressable Memory (CAM)

**Software and Tools:** Python, Virtuoso (SKILL), System C, C++, Verilog, Calibre (SVRF), Innovus