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OBJECTIVE: Research Scientist / Software Engineer in **High Performance Computing Systems**.

Work Experience

- **WeChat, Tencent** Beijing, China
Senior Software Engineer at WeChat AI *July 2019 - Present*
Mentor : Dr. Cheng Niu [link]
- **National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi** Wuxi, Jiangsu, China
Ph.D Research Intern at R&D Center *August 2017 - May 2019*
Mentor : Prof. Haohuan Fu

Education

- **Tsinghua University** Beijing, China
Ph.D. in Department of Computer Science & Technology *July 2019*
Advisor : Prof. Guangwen Yang, Coadvisor: Prof. Haohuan Fu
- **University of California, Davis** Davis, CA, USA
Visiting Scholar in Department of Computer Science Engineering *August 2017 - August 2018*
Advisor : Assistant Prof. Cho-Jui Hsieh [link]
- **Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications** Beijing, China
B.S. in Department of Computer Science & Technology *June 2014*
Ranking 6th **top 2%** among 300 students (Honored 2014 Outstanding Graduate of Beijing)

Project Highlights

- **Development and Performance Optimization of Dialogue System** *July 2019 - Now*
Wechat AI, Tencent
 1. Developing a fast BERT serving toolkit for CPU and GPU.
 2. Developing the back end of WeChat Dialogue Open Platform (<https://openai.weixin.qq.com/>).
- **Large-scale Deep Learning Training (DL) System for GPU Supercomputer** *September 2017 - August 2018*
University of California, Davis

Designed the RedSync – a distributed data-parallel Deep Learning training system using gradient pruning and quantization. When scaled up to 128 GPUs, the RedSync brought significant performance improvements to DNNs that were previously considered hard to scale.
- **High Performance Deep Learning System for the Sunway TaihuLight** *April 2016 - August 2019*
National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi

Built a deep learning framework from zero on the Sunway TaihuLight, which is based on the innovative SW26010 many-core processors and ranked **No.1 on the 47th-50th Top500 Supercomputer lists**.

 1. Designed the swGEMM – a GEneral Matrix Multiplication (GEMM) library based on SW26010. Core code handwritten by assembly, reaching 97% of peak performance. Significant speedups (2-10x) were achieved by applying swGEMM instead of default BLAS to deep learning applications.

2. Designed the swDNN – a library provides APIs for mainstream DL operator (CONV, LSTM, FC, BN and activations). Regarding the most complicated CONV ops, three parallel schemes were designed for the special SW26010 many-core architecture, i.e. explicit GEMM, implicit GEMM, and Winograd. The computing efficiency of swDNN exceeded cuDNNv7.5 running on Tesla K40.
3. Designed the swATOP – an end-to-end automated framework that optimizes complex parallel DL operator code on SW26010. By reading several lines of DSL statements, swATOP can automatically generate code that exceeds manual optimization performance.
4. Designed the swCaffe – an MPI-based deep learning framework on the Sunway TaihuLight. Synchronization employed an innovative topology-aware MPI Allreduce method which is 10x faster than the default MPI Allreduce on 1024 nodes.

- **High Performance Scientific Computing Applications**

Department of Earth System Science, Tsinghua University

February 2014 - March 2016

1. Proposed a generalized cache-friendly design based on NVIDIA GPUs and Intel Xeon Phis for complex spatially-variable coefficient (CSV) stencils. Gained 4x speedup in the seismic imaging software (GeoEast-Lightning) used by China National Petroleum Corporation.
2. Accelerated a serial of scientific applications on different HPC platforms, including: transient electromagnetic simulation on CPU cluster; remote sensing data analysis with SVM on Intel Xeon Phi; Community Earth System Model (CESM) and crop modeling on Sunway TaihuLight.

First Author Publications

- **Jiarui Fang, Parallel Deep Learning Training System on on Sunway TaihuLight**, Ph.D Dissertation of Tsinghua University. (in Chinese)[pdf] .
- **Jiarui Fang**, Haohuan Fu, Guangwen Yang, Cho-Jui Hsieh, **RedSync : Reducing Synchronization Traffic for Distributed Deep Learning**. Journal of Parallel and Distributed Computing (JPDC), Volume 133, November 2019, Pages 30-39. [arXiv][pdf].
- Wei Gao*, **Jiarui Fang***, Wenlai Zhao, Jinzhe Yang, Long Wang, Lin Gan, Haohuan Fu, Guangwen Yang. **swATOP: Automatically Optimizing Deep Learning Operators on SW26010 Many-Core Processor**. Proceedings of the 48th International Conference on Parallel Processing (ICPP), 2019. (* equal contribution) [pdf] .
- **Jiarui Fang***, and Li, Liandeng* and Fu, Haohuan and Jiang, Jinlei and Zhao, Wenlai and He, Conghui and You, Xin and Yang, Guangwen. **swCaffe: a Parallel Framework for Accelerating Deep Learning Applications on Sunway TaihuLight**, EEE Cluster (Cluster), Belfast, UK, 2018. [pdf]. (* equal contribution).
- **Jiarui Fang**, Haohuan Fu, Wenlai Zhao, Bingwei Chen, Weijie Zheng, and Guangwen Yang. **swdnn: A library for accelerating deep learning applications on sunway taihulight**. In Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS), 2017 IEEE International, pages 615–624. IEEE, 2017. [pdf]
- **Jiarui Fang**, Haohuan Fu, Guangwen Yang. **Cache-friendly Design for Complex Spatially-variable Coefficient Stencils on Many-core Architectures**. IEEE 23rd International Conference on High Performance Computing, Data, and Analytics (HiPC), p222-p231, Hyderabad, India, 2016. [pdf]
- **Jiarui Fang**, Haohuan Fu, He Zhang, Wei Wu, Nanxun Dai, Lin Gan, Guangwen Yang. **Optimizing Complex Spatially-Variant Coefficient Stencils for Seismic Modeling on GPU**. IEEE 21st International Conference on Parallel and Distributed Systems (ICPADS), p641-p648 Melbourne, Australia, 2015. [pdf]
- **Jiarui Fang**, Haohuan Fu, Guangwen Yang, Wei Wu, Nanxun Dai. **GPU-based explicit time evolution method**. The 84th Society of Exploration Geophysicists Technical Program Expanded Abstracts (SEG), p3549-p3553, New Orleans, USA, 2015 [pdf]

Skills

- **Good at English:** GRE 322 (Verbal 153, October 2012)
- **Programing Language:** C/C++, CUDA, Python
- **Technical Skills:** Computer Architecture, Parallel Computing, Software Performance Tuning and Optimization, Deep Learning, Numerical Computing.

References

- **Guangwen Yang**
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Deputy Director of the National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi.
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- **Cho-Jui Hsieh**
Assistant Professor in Department of Computer Science, University of California, Los Angeles.
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