Hashim Sharif

Education

2014–2021 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL

PhD in Computer Science Advisor: Vikram Adve

2009–2013 National University of Computer and Emerging Sciences, Lahore,

Pakistan

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Experience

April 2021- Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign,

Advisors: Vikram Adve and Sasa Misailovic

2016-2021 Graduate Research Assistant, University of Illinois at Urbana-

Champaign, Urbana, IL,

2017 Summer Research Associate, Argonne National Lab, Lemont, IL

2015 Summer Research Associate, SRI International, Menlo Park, CA

2013-2014 Research Assistant, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore,

Pakistan

Research Areas

- Compilers
- Systems for Machine Learning
- Accuracy-aware Program Optimization
- Program Analysis
- Programming Languages

Impact

Over the past 3 years, I led software development on the HPVM compiler project which is a key part of our DARPA-funded DSSoC project done in collaboration with IBM Research, Harvard, and Columbia. HPVM is actively used at IBM Research for compiling various applications for the EPOCHs chip - a custom heterogeneous SoC.

- I led two major open-source releases of the HPVM project; release v0.5 was presented at the open-source conference, FOSDEM 2020, and v1.0 is actively used by IBM Research and academic research groups.
- Collaborating with a robotics startup, Earthsense, I optimized the software stack of an in-production autonomous agriculture robot. Our optimizations reduced the cost of deployed compute hardware by 3x.
- In terms of teaching and collaborating on various projects, I have mentored over 10 PhD and undergraduate students.

Publications

Selected Conference Papers

- [In Review] **Hashim Sharif***, Yifan Zhao*, Peter Pao-Huang, Vatsin Ninad Shah, Arun Narenthiran, Mateus Valverde Gasparino, Nathan Zhao, Abdulrahman Mahmoud, Sarita Adve, Girish Chowdhary, Sasa Misailovic, Vikram Adve. *ApproxCaliper:* Exploiting Application-level Error Resiliency for Optimizing Neural Networks. (* equal contribution.)
- [PPoPP'21] **Hashim Sharif**, Yifan Zhao, Maria Kotsifakou, Akash Kothari, Ben Schreiber, Elizabeth Wang, Yasmin Sarita, Nathan Zhao, Keyur Joshi, Vikram Adve, Sasa Misailovic, and Sarita Adve. *ApproxTuner:* a Compiler and Runtime System for Adaptive Approximations. *In Proceedings of the 26th ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming (PPoPP'21)*, 2021, February, Virtual.
- [OOPSLA'19] **Hashim Sharif**, Prakalp Srivastava, Muhammad Huzaifa, Maria Kotsifakou, Keyur Joshi, Yasmin Sarita, Nathan Zhao, Vikram Adve, Sasa Misailovic, and Sarita Adve. *ApproxHPVM*: a Portable Compiler IR for Accuracy-aware Optimizations. *In Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages (OOPSLA'19)*, 25 October 2019, Athens, Greece.
 - [ASE'18] **Hashim Sharif**, Muhammad Abubakar, Ashish Gehani, and Fareed Zaffar. *TRIMMER*: Application Specialization for Code Debloating. *In Proceedings of the 33rd ACM/IEEE International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE'18)*, September 7, 2018, Montpellier, France.

Journal Publication

[TSE'22] Aatira Anum Ahmad, Abdul Rafae Noor, **Hashim Sharif**, Usama Hameed, Shoaib Asif, Mubashir Anwar, Ashish Gehani, Fareed Zaffar, and Junaid Haroon Siddiqui. TRIMMER: An Automated System for Configuration-based Software Debloating. *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE'22)*.

Workshop Papers and Presentations

- [LLVMDev'20] **Hashim Sharif**, Maria Kotsifakou, Yifan Zhao, Akash Kothari, Ben Schreiber, Elizabeth Wang, Yasmin Sarita, Nathan Zhao, Keyur Joshi, Vikram Adve, Sasa Misailovic, and Sarita Adve. ApproxTuner: a Compiler and Runtime System for Adaptive Approximations. 2020 LLVM Virtual Developers Meeting, October 8, 2020 (Oral).
- [LLVM-HPC] **Hashim Sharif**, Vikram Adve, and Hal Finkel. Developing an OpenMP 2017] Offloading Runtime for UVM-Capable GPUs. *The Fourth Workshop on the LLVM Compiler Infrastructure in HPC*, November 13, 2017, Denver, CO (Oral).
- [OpenMPCon Hashim Sharif, Vikram Adve, Hal Finkel, and Lingda Li. Developing an OpenMP Offloading Runtime for UVM-Capable GPUs. 2017 OpenMP Developers Meeting, September 19, 2017, Stony Brook University, NY (Oral).
 - [IPAW'16] Manolis Stamatogiannakis, Hasanat Kazmi, Hashim Sharif, Remco Vermeulen, Ashish Gehani, Herbert Bos, Paul Groth. Trade-Offs in Automatic Provenance Capture. 6th International Provenance and Annotation Workshop, Maclean, VA, June 8, 2016.

Undergraduate Research

- [PACIS'15] **Hashim Sharif**, Saad Ismail, Shehroze Farooqi, Mohammad Taha Khan, Mohammad Ali Gulzar, Hasnain Lakhani, Fareed Zaffar, and Ahmed Abbasi. A Classification Based Framework to Predict Viral Threads *Pacific Asia Conference on Information Systems (PACIS'15)*.
- [SocialCom'14] **Hashim Sharif**, Fareed Zaffar, Ahmed Abbasi, and David Zimbra. Detecting Adverse Drug Reactions Using a Sentiment Classification Framework. *Proceedings of the 2014 International Conference on Social Computing (SocialCom'14)*.

Talks

- ApproxCaliper: Exploiting Application-level Error Resiliency for Optimizing Neural Networks
 - Talk at Harvard University, 02/18/2022, Virtual
 - Talk at SRI International, 02/14/2022, Virtual
 - UIUC Compiler Seminar, 02/07/2022, University of Illinois
 - Illinois Autonomous Farm Workshop, 7/7/2021, University of Illinois

• ApproxTuner: a Compiler and Runtime System for Adaptive Approximations

- o PPoPP'21, 3/2/2021, Virtual
- o Google Compiler Seminar, 3/12/2021, Virtual
- o Talk at DePaul University, Chicago, 2/19/2021, Virtual
- Talk to Qualcomm Compiler Team, 12/13/2020, Virtual
- LLVM Developers conference, 10/8/2020, Virtual
- Talk to Amazon Compiler Team, 6/2/2020, Virtual

• ApproxHPVM: a Portable Compiler IR for Accuracy-aware Optimizations

- o UIUC Compiler Seminar, 10/16/2019, University of Illinois
- Talk to IBM Research Computer Architecture Team, 9/6/2019, Yorktown Heights, NY

• TRIMMER: Application Specialization for Code Debloating

- o LUMS ISPL Seminar Series, 11/5/2020, Virtual
- o UIUC Compiler Seminar, 08/28/2018, University of Illinois

\circ Developing an OpenMP Offloading Runtime for UVM-Capable GPUs

- OpenMP Developers Meeting, September 19, 2017, Stony Brook University, NY
- LLVM-HPC Workshop at Supercomputing 2017, November 13, 2017, Denver, CO

Services

- Fall 2021 Empirical Software Engineering Journal 2021 Reviewer
- Fall 2021 Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming 2022 (PPoPP'22) External Reviewer
- Spring 2021 Transactions on Design Automation of Electronic Systems 2021 Reviewer
- Spring 2018 UIUC Compiler Seminar Student Organizer

Teaching and Mentoring

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2015 UIUC CS 498 Digital Forensics (with Roy Campbell)

Guest Lectures

- Spring 2021 UIUC CS 526 Advanced Compiler Construction
 - Fall 2020 UIUC CS 598 Approximate and Probabilistic Computing
- Spring 2020 UIUC CS 526 Advanced Compiler Construction
 - Fall 2013 LUMS CS Topics in Network Security
- Spring 2014 LUMS CS Network Security

Research Mentoring

2019-present UIUC PhD student, Yifan Zhao

Worked jointly on the ApproxCaliper and ApproxTuner projects.

2019-present UIUC PhD student, Akash Kothari

Worked together on the ApproxTuner project and the HPVM release.

2019-present UIUC PhD student, Abdul Rafae Noor

Worked together on TRIMMER and HPVM release.

2020-present UIUC PhD student, Mubashir Anwar

Collaborated on TRIMMER Journal version and TRIMMER release.

2019-present UIUC undergraduate student, Nathan Zhao

Worked together on ApproxHPVM, ApproxTuner, and ApproxCaliper.

2020-present UIUC undergraduate student, Peter Pao-Huang

Worked together on ApproxTuner and ApproxCaliper.

2021-present UIUC undergraduate student, Vatsin Ninad Shah

Collaborated on the ApproxCaliper project.

2019-2020 UIUC undergraduate student, Elizabeth Wang

Collaborated on the ApproxTuner project.

2019-2020 Cornell undergraduate student, Yasmin Sarita

Worked on ApproxHPVM, while Yasmin was a summer intern at UIUC.

2018-2019 LUMS undergraduate student, Usama Hameed

Worked together on TRIMMER. Usama is pursuing his PhD at UCLA.

2019-2020 LUMS undergraduate student, Shoaib Asif

Collaborated on TRIMMER. Shoaib is pursuing his PhD at UT Austin.

References

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