



# Hyoungjoo Kim

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

I'm currently working on designing Databases for Processing-in-Memory Systems.

In general, I'm interested in **Software Systems & Architecture** for **Heterogeneous Devices**; e.g.

- Database Systems for Processing-in-Memory
- Machine Learning Systems for GPU clusters

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## EDUCATION

- **Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania *2023 - Present*  
Ph.D. Student in Computer Science  
Advisor: Phillip B. Gibbons
- **Seoul National University**, Seoul, Korea *2017 - 2023*  
B.S. in Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Advisor: Jangwoo Kim  
GPA: 4.28/4.3 (2nd/148)  
The period includes two years of mandatory military service in South Korea.

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## HONORS AND AWARDS

- Overseas PhD Scholarship, Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies (KFAS) *2023 - 2028*
- The Presidential Science Scholarship, Korea Student Aid Foundation (KOSAF) *2017 - 2023*  
– Tuition + 20M KRW (~20K USD), 4 years
- Gold Medal, International Physics Olympiad *2016*
- Silver Prize, Samsung Humantech Paper Award (for high school students) *2016*  
– 5M KRW (~5K USD)

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## PUBLICATIONS

- Taebum Kim, **Hyoungjoo Kim**, Gyeong-In Yu, Byung-Gon Chun  
**BPipe: Memory-Balanced Pipeline Parallelism for Training Large Language Models**  
*International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2023 (Oral Presentation)*
- **Hyoungjoo Kim**  
**Modeling the GPU Instruction Scheduling Performance using Microbenchmarks**  
*Bachelor's Thesis*, Advised by Jangwoo Kim, *Seoul National University*, 2023 [Paper]

## RESEARCH AND WORK EXPERIENCES

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- **Parallel Data Lab**, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania *2023 - Present*  
Graduate Research Assistant
  - (In Progress) *PIM-Friendly Database*: Designing fast and efficient DBMS for Processing-in-Memory Systems
- **FriendlyAI**, Seoul, Korea *2022 - 2023*  
Research Intern, Part-time
  - *BPipe*: Accelerating the training of LLMs by rebalancing memory utilizations
  - *GPU Kernel Optimization*: Optimized CUDA kernels for training LLMs
- **High Performance Computer System Lab**, Seoul, Korea *2021*  
Undergraduate Thesis Project Student
  - *GPUDiag*: Modeling GPGPU microarchitecture using automated microbenchmarks
  - *Multi-GPU gem5*: Extend gem5-APU to support multiple GPUs
- **Geolux**, Seoul, Korea *2017 - 2018*  
Software Engineering Intern, Full-time, Only on summer/winter breaks
  - *Pothole Detector*: Trained AI models to detect potholes from driveway videos

## INTRA- AND EXTRACURRICULAR PROJECTS

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- *Cache Simulator* for x64 binaries using pintool *Fall 2023*
- *Linux Kernel Hacking* to implement custom scheduler, lock, and file system *Spring 2022*
- *Compiler Frontend* for custom grammar rules using lex and yacc *Fall 2021*
- *CNN Accelerator* that can process conv, fc, and maxpool using Verilog and FPGA *Fall 2021*
- Some Javascript games that runs on browser-only PCs in the Korean Army ;-)  
*2019 - 2021*
- *CPU Simulator* for pipelined CPU with branch predictor and cache using Verilog *Spring 2019*
- *IoT System* on the car fender that alarms the driver of safety incidents *2019*
- *IoT System* in the billiards ball that evaluates the cueing accuracy *2018*
- *3D Territory Game* that adds 3D graphics to the given game logic *Spring 2018*
- *Robotic Car* that follows the path and escape from the maze *Fall 2017*
- *Robotic Arm* that mimics human arm movement *2017*
- *Robotic Arm* using thermally-driven super-coiled-nylon artificial muscles *2015 - 2016*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

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- Teaching Assistant - Seoul National University, “Operating Systems” *Spring 2023*

## SKILLS

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- C, C++, Python, CUDA, Verilog, Java, Linux Kernel, PostgreSQL, PyTorch
- Computer Architecture, Databases, GPUs, Machine Learning Systems, Operating Systems, Simulation
- English: TOEFL (R30/L28/S23/W28), GRE (V164/Q170/A4.0)