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# Summary

- Responsible for algorithm research and software development of ARM's proprietary neural architecture search framework, enabling the automatic design of performant neural networks that can be deployed in extremely resource constrained hardware
- My work is used to design highly specialized machine learning models, showcasing ARM hardware capabilities, enabling the use of ARM's low power hardware in new application domains, and serving as a tool for evaluating potential hardware features

# Education

University of California, San Diego

San Diego, CA

• Ph.D in Electrical Engineering; GPA:4.0

Sept 2018

Advisor: Bhaskar D. Rao, co-advisor: Truong Q. Nguyen

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Urbana-Champaign, IL

• M.S. in Electrical Engineering; GPA:3.78

May 2014

Advisor: Pierre Moulin

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Urbana-Champaign, IL

• B.S. in Electrical Engineering; GPA:3.90 James Scholar, Highest Honors May 2012

### Experience

ARM Research

Boston, MA

Staff Research Engineer

April 2021 - present

- Machine learning research group
- Neural architecture search for hardware-aware, efficient neural networks
- Differentiable neural architecture search, Bayesian optimization, unstructured pruning, channel pruning, quantization, compression

ARM Research

Boston, MA

Senior Research Engineer

Sept 2018 - April 2021

Machine learning research group

Samsung Research

San Diego, CA

Intern

June 2017 - Sept 2017

- Deep learning research group

Qualcomm

San Diego, CA

Intern

May 2015 - Aug 2015

- Developed continuous multi-modal authentication system for verifying mobile user's identity

Qualcomm

San Diego, CA

Intern

May 2013 - Sept 2014

- Developed real-time, fixed point C implementation of Fast Stereo Independent Vector Analysis

Qualcomm

San Diego, CA

Intern

Jun 2012 - Aug 2012

 $\,-\,$  Developed novel voice activity detector using non-negative matrix factorization

Cisco Intern San Jose, CA

Implemented testing framework for NX-OS

 $Jun \ 2011 - Aug \ 2011$ 

Worked with Transmission and Substation Department in the Testing Group

### **Patents**

- I. Fedorov, P. Whatmough, "Neural network system and training method," US patent application.
- I. Fedorov, R. Matas, C. Zhou, H. Tann, P. Whatmough, M. Mattina, "A unified neural network optimization framework," *US patent application*.
- M. El-Khamy I. Fedorov, J. Lee, "Image denoising neural network architecture and method of training the same," *US patent*, 2020.

# Publications (by topic)

#### Neural Architecture Search

- I. Fedorov, R. Matas, H. Tann, C. Zhou, M. Mattina, P.N. Whatmough, "UDC: Unified DNAS for Compressible TinyML Models," *ArXiv*, 2022.
- C. Banbury\*, C. Zhou\*, **I. Fedorov\***, R.M. Navarro, U. Thakker, D. Gope, V.J. Reddi, M. Mattina, P.N. Whatmough, "MicroNets: Neural Network Architectures for Deploying TinyML Applications on Commodity Microcontrollers," *MLSys*, 2021.
- I. Fedorov, M. Stamenovic, C. Jensen, L. Yang, A. Mandell, Y. Gan, M. Mattina, P.N. Whatmough, "TinyLSTMs: Efficient Neural Speech Enhancement for Hearing Aids," *INTERSPEECH*, 2020.
- S. Sandha, M. Aggarwal, **I. Fedorov**, M. Srivastava, "Mango: A Python Library for Parallel Hyperparameter Tuning," *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2020.
- I. Fedorov, R.P. Adams, M. Mattina, P.N. Whatmough, "SpArSe: Sparse Architecture Search for CNNs on Resource-Constrained Microcontrollers," *Proc. of the Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS)*, 2019.

#### RNN Compression

• U. Thakker, I. Fedorov, J. Beu, D. Gope, C. Zhou, G. Dasika M. Mattina, "Pushing the limits of RNN Compression," NeurIPS Workshop on Energy Efficient Machine Learning and Cognitive Computing, 2019.

#### Multimodal Dictionary Learning

- I. Fedorov, B.D. Rao, "Multimodal Sparse Bayesian Dictionary Learning," arXiv preprint, 2018.
- I. Fedorov, B.D. Rao, T.Q. Nguyen, "Multimodal Sparse Bayesian Dictionary Learning Applied to Multimodal Data Classification," *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2017.

# Sparsifying Deep Neural Networks

- C. Lee, I. Fedorov, B.D. Rao, H. Garudadri, "SSGD: Sparsity-promoting Stochastic Gradient Descent Algorithm for Unbiased DNN Pruning," *IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP)*, 2020.
- I. Fedorov, B.D. Rao, "Sparsifying Deep Neural Networks," arXiv preprint, 2018.

### Non-negative Matrix Factorization

- I. Fedorov, A. Nalci, R. Giri, B.D. Rao, T.Q. Nguyen, H. Garudadri, "A Unified Framework for Sparse Non-Negative Least Squares using Multiplicative Updates and the Non-Negative Matrix Factorization Problem," *Signal Processing*, Volume 146, May 2018, Pages 79-91, ISSN 0167-1648.
- A. Nalci, I. Fedorov, M. Al-Shoukairi, T. T. Liu, B.D. Rao. "Rectified Gaussian Scale Mixtures and the Sparse Non-Negative Least Squares Problem," *IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing*, vol. 66, no. 12, pp. 3124-3139, June 2018.

### Robust Sparse Signal Recovery & Face Recognition

- I. Fedorov, R. Giri, B.D. Rao, T.Q. Nguyen, "Relevance Vector Machine: A Novel Person Re-Identification Framework," arXiv preprint arXiv:1703.10645, 2017.
- I. Fedorov, R. Giri, B.D. Rao, T.Q. Nguyen, "Robust Bayesian Method for Simultaneous Block Sparse Signal Recovery with Applications to Face Recognition," *IEEE International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP)*, 2016.

# Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography

- I. Fedorov, S. Obrzut, B. Song, B.D. Rao, "SPECT Image Reconstruction under Imaging Time Constraints," 51st Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems, and Computers, 2017.
- I. Fedorov, B. Song, B.D. Rao, I. Levitan, S. Obrzut, "Total Variation Regularization in I-123 Ioflupane SPECT Reconstruction," *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*, 2017.

### Action Recognition

- I. Fedorov, "Kinect depth video compression for action recognition," Master's thesis, 2014.
- A. Khosrowpour, I. Fedorov, A. Holynski, J.C. Niebles, and M. Golparvar-Fard, "Automated Worker Activity Analysis in Indoor Environments for Direct-Work Rate Improvement from long sequences of RGB-D Images," *Construction Research Congress: Construction in a Global Network*, 2014.

#### Miscellaneous

• P.S. Shenoy, I. Fedorov, T. Neyens, P.T. Krein, "Power delivery for series connected voltage domains in digital circuits," *International Conference on Energy Aware Computing*, 2011.

# Skills

Python, Tensorflow, Pytorch, Matlab, C/C++, LaTex, Fluent in Russian

# **Teaching**

WES 267: Intro to Digital Signal Processing, UCSD ECE 161B: Digital Signal Processing, UCSD ECE 445: Senior Design, UIUC

# Honors and Activites

ARCS Fellowship, 2015-2018 ECE Departmental Fellowship, UCSD, 2014 Jules D. Falzer Scholarship for outstanding scholastic record, UIUC, 2012