Ling Qiu

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Education

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, USA	2019 – Present
 Doctor of Philosophy: Informatics 	
Clemson University, Clemson, SC, USA	2016 – 2019
 Master of Science: Electrical Engineering 	
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Lincoln, NE, USA	2013 – 2016
 Bachelor of Science: Electrical Engineering 	
Northwestern Polytechnical University, Xi'an, Shaanxi, China	2011 – 2013
 Attended 	
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Research Experience (Selected)

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

May 2020 - Present

Advisor: Dr. Saeed Abdullah

Nurse AMIE: A Smart-Speaker Based Application for Women with Breast Cancer

- Proposed an Alexa skill to provide daily supportive care intervention for women with Metastatic Breast Cancer.
- Designed the Graphical User Interface (GUI) and Voice User Interface (VUI) of the skill based on the characteristics of women with Metastatic Breast Cancer.
- Developed the skill in Python and Alexa Presentation Language (APL) and used AWS Lambda and AWS DynamoDB to host the skill and log user data, respectively.
- Applied mix methods to analyze the preliminary usability of the application.

Using Twitter Data to Evaluate the Mental Well-being of Essential Workers During COVID-19

- o Explored the Twitter API to scrape the Twitter data of essential workers and average users.
- Analyzed the sentiment and the temporal patterns of the Twitter data in Python.

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

June 2019 - May 2020

Advisor: Dr. Ghosh Swaroop

• Improving Noise Resiliency of Variational Quantum Factoring

- o Proposed a novel policy-based design flow to alleviate the impact of quantum noise on VQF.
- Implemented the Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm (QAOA) using Qiskit, a quantum computing simulation package in Python.
- Implemented the design and simulation flow of variational quantum factoring (VQF) in Python to automatically map a factoring problem into a parametric quantum circuit.

Advisor: Dr. Yingjie Lao

• Designing Approximate Circuits using Data-driven Approaches

- Proposed novel data-driven methods using feature selection techniques to design compensation circuits for a wide variety of approximate circuits.
- o Implemented a thorough design flow in Python based on the proposed methods.
- Testes and evaluated the proposed methods on truncated multipliers, approximate adders and other digital logic circuits.

• Probabilistic Gate-Level Pruning for Approximate Circuit Design

- Exploit correlation between toggle activity of circuits' internal wires and outputs to facilitate gatelevel pruning accuracy.
- Propose strategic data-driven methods to evaluate gate-significance.

Publications

- L. Qiu, B. Kanski, S. Doerksen, R. Winkels, K. Schmitz, S. Abdullah. "Nurse AMIE: Using Smart Speakers to Provide Supportive Care Intervention for Women with Metastatic Breast Cancer." CHI'21 Late- Breaking Work on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI Late-Breaking-Work 2021), Yokohama, Japan, May 2021.
- Johnna Blair, Chi-Yang Hsu, Ling Qiu, Shih-Hong Huang, Ting-Hao K. Huang, Saeed Abdullah. "Using Tweets to Assess Mental Well-being of Essential Workers During the COVID-19 Pandemic." CHI'21 Late- Breaking Work on Human Factors in Computing Systems (CHI Late-Breaking-Work 2021), Yokohama, Japan, May 2021.
- L. Qiu, M.Alam, A.Ash-Saki, G.Swaroop. "Resiliency Analysis and Improvement of Variational Quantum Factoring in Superconducting Qubit." ACM/IEEE International Symposium on Low Power Electronics and Design (ISLPED), Boston, MA, August 2020.
- L. Qiu, M.Alam, A.Ash-Saki, G.Swaroop. "Analyzing Resilience of Variational Quantum Factoring under Realistic Noise." Government Microcircuit Applications & Critical Technology Conference (Gomactech), San Diego, CA, March 2020.
- L. Qiu, Z. Zhang, J. Calhoun, Y. Lao. "Towards Data-Driven Approximate Circuit Design." IEEE
 Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (ISVLSI), Miami, FL, July 2019. (accepted as Lecture)
- L. Qiu & Y. Lao. "A Systematic Method for Approximate Circuit Design Using Feature Selection." IEEE
 International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS), Florence, Italy, May 2018. (accepted as
 Lecture)

Teaching Experience (Selected)

CMPSC 131 Teaching Assistant, Programing and Computation I, Penn State University.

Fall 2019

Hold recitations and Office hours

ELEC 4590/6590 Teaching assistant, Integrated Circuit Design, Clemson University

2017 - 2018

- Compose lab tutorials and assignments
- Lecture lab on arithmetic circuit structure, Verilog and HSPICE; teach various Synopsys tools (Design Compiler, VCS, Custom Designer)

- Assist students on lab assignments and final projects
- Grade lab reports

ELEC 2620 Teaching assistant, Electric Circuits II, Clemson University

Spring 2018

- Tutor students on review sessions
- Grade homework

Selected Honors and Awards

 Dean's List 	2013 – 2015
 Global Ambassador Scholarship 	2013 – 2016
 Undergraduate Creative Activity and Research Stipend 	2015 – 2016
ISCAS Student Travel Award	2018

Presentations

- "Resiliency Analysis and Improvement of Variational Quantum Factoring in Superconducting Qubit.", ISLPED 2020, Boston, MA, August 2020 (Virtual).
- "A Systematic Method for Approximate Circuit Design Using Feature Selection", ISCAS 2018, Florence, IT, May 2018.

Service

- o Reviewer: IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS 2019).
- Sub-Reviewer: IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech, and Signal Processing (ICASSP 2019), Sub-reviewer for IEEE Computer Society Annual Symposium on VLSI (ISVLSI 2018).

Technical Skills

- o **Programming Language**: Python, Matlab, C, R, Verilog
- Software & Platform: Numpy, Pandas, LaTex, ASK-SDK (Alexa Skill Kit), AWS, Linux, Synopsys VCS, Synopsys Design Compiler

Extracurricular Activities

Malaysian Night 2014

Served as the Main Actor and volunteer

Clemson Alternative Break Program

2016

Participated in community service on the issues of environmental and Native American at Maryville,
 Tennessee.