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 	
o GPA: 3.91/4.00	
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Lincoln, NE, USA	2013-2016
 Bachelor of Science: Electrical Engineering 	
o GPA: 3.62/4.00	
Northwestern Polytechnical University, Xi'an, Shaanxi, China	2011-2013
 Attended 	

Research Experience

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA

July 2019 – Present

Nurse AMIE: A Smart-Speaker Based Application for Women with Breast Cancer. May 2 Advisor: Dr. Saeed Abdullah

May 2020 – Present

- Design the Graphical User Interface (GUI) and Voice User Interface (VUI) of an Alexa Skill explicitly for women with breast cancer.
- o Implement an Alexa Skill in python and deployed it on Amazon Web Service (AWS).
- Use mix methods to analyze the preliminary usability of the application.

Improving Noise Resiliency of Variational Quantum Factoring

July 2019 – May 2020

Advisor: Dr. Ghosh Swaroop

- Implement Quantum Approximate Optimization Algorithm (QAOA) using Qiskit, a quantum computing simulation package in Python.
- Implement the design and simulation flow of variational quantum factoring (VQF) in Python to automatically map a factoring problem into a parametric quantum circuit.
- Propose a novel policy-based design flow to alleviate the impact of quantum noise on VQF.
- Explore approaches based on quantum gate commutation rules to improve the noise resiliency of VQF.

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

2017-2019

Designing Approximate Circuits using Data-driven Approaches

Advisor: Dr. Yingjie Lao

- Exploit approximate circuits' input and error patterns to systematically design the compensation blocks for any given combinational approximate circuit.
- Propose novel data-driven methods using feature selection techniques to design compensation circuits for a wide variety of approximate circuits.
- o Implement a thorough design flow in Python based on the proposed methods.
- Test and evaluate the proposed methods on truncated multipliers, approximate adders and other digital logic circuits.

Probabilistic Gate-Level Pruning for Approximate Circuit Design

Advisor: Dr. Yingjie Lao

- 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.

University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

2015-2016

Missouri River Basin Precipitation Quantitative Analysis

- Analyze the main patterns of spatial distribution and temporal variability of precipitation in the Missouri River Basin using various data mining approaches, e.g. Principle Component Analysis, and
- o Present the research outcome as a poster at the annual UNL undergraduate research fair.

Teaching Experience

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

Publications

- 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." IEEEE
 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)

Selected Honors and Awards

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

Presentations

 "A Systematic Method for Approximate Circuit Design Using Feature Selection", ISCAS2018, Florence, IT, May, 2018

Service

- Reviewer for IEEE International Symposium on Circuits and Systems (ISCAS 2019)
- Sub-Reviewer for 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
- o Software & Platform: Numpy, Pandas, LaTex, Linux, Synopsys VCS, Synopsys Design Compiler

Extracurricular Activities

Malaysian Night 2014

Serve as the Main Actor and volunteer

Clemson Alternative Break Program

2016

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