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I am a research engineer at Google, working on compilers for machine learning. My research at university was concerned with code generation, domain-specific languages (DSLs), programming models and memory access optimizations for SIMD/GPU architectures. I am passionate about compilers, programming languages and parallel computing.

☐ Work Experience

Since Jan. 2022 **Google Switzerland GmbH**, Zürich, Switzerland, Research Engineer, Cerebra (Personal AI).

Working on MLIR (Multi-Level IR Compiler Framework), an LLVM-based compiler framework for tensor/linear algebra programs running on accelerators, and OIREE (Intermediate Representation Execution Environment).

- Oct. 2019 Google Japan G.K. 【グーグル合同会社】, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan.
- Dec. 2021 o [03/2021 11/2021, Research Engineer, Cerebra (Personal AI)] Working on MLIR and IREE.
 - o [10/2019 02/2021, Software Engineer, ChromeOS Platform] Worked on ARCVM (Android Runtime for Chrome), a virtual machine that runs Android on ChromeOS. Identified and fixed bugs in the ChromeOS/Android camera stacks and worked on overall performance optimizations. Gained experience in virtualization, kernel/OS development and large-scale software development (mainly C++, some Java and Golang).
- 2017, 2018 Google LLC, United States of America, Software Engineering Intern (Summer Internship).
- $(4 \times 3 \text{ months})$
- 2016, 2014 o [2018; Mountain View, CA; Host: DeLesley Hutchins, Ph.D.] Worked in Research and Machine Intelligence on an auto-batching system for tree-structured RNNs. Implemented linear algebra operations and TPU-specific optimizations with TensorFlow XLA. Identified and eliminated performance bottlenecks on TPUs.
 - o [2017; Mountain View, CA; Host: DeLesley Hutchins, Ph.D.] Worked in Research and Machine Intelligence on OLLGTM (Low-level Library for Gradients, Tensors, and Matrices), a deep learning C++ framework for dynamic computation graphs. Implemented Eigen/CUDA kernels and TensorFlow kernel adapters.
 - o [2016; Seattle, WA; Host: Vijay Menon, Ph.D.] Part of the Dart programming language team. Worked on a Opart-to-Java compiler, focusing on performance optimizations and language interoperability.
 - o [2014; Boulder, CO; Host: Craig Wright] Worked on a business event process engine for an internal Google payments system, using Megastore, F1/Spanner, Java and Guice.
 - April 2012 Tokyo Institute of Technology / Hasso Plattner Institute, Teaching Assistant.
 - June 2017 TA for exchange students and courses: Information Literacy (Prof. Morozov, Ph.D.), Mathematics II (Dr. habil. Börner), Software Architecture (Prof. Dr. Hirschfeld), Software Engineering I (Prof. Dr. Hirschfeld)
 - Aug. 2012 **Senacor Technologies AG**, *Munich, Germany*, Software Engineering Intern.
 - Oct. 2012 Developed software components and tests for a service-oriented environment in the financial sector, using Java EE, the Spring Framework and Oracle database servers.
 - Aug. 2011 TNG Technology Consulting GmbH, Munich, Germany, Software Engineering Intern.
 - Oct. 2011 Developed plugins for Atlassian JIRA/Confluence (Subversion commit monitor) and Hudson/Jenkins (job status monitor). Set up an LDAP server for user authentification for SSH and Atlassian JIRA/Confluence.

Education

- Oct. 2015 Tokyo Institute of Technology 【東京工業大学】, Meguro-ku, Tokyo, Japan,
- Sept. 2019 Programming Research Group, Department of Mathematical and Computing Sciences Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.). Academic advisor: Prof. Dr. Hidehiko Masuhara.
 - o Doctoral thesis: Memory-Efficient Object-Oriented Programming on GPUs
 - Research areas: Compilers, Program Optimization, GPGPU, Modularity, Context-oriented Programming
 - o Relevant coursework: Programming Language Design, Practical Parallel Computing, Distributed Computing
- Sept. 2014 Hasso Plattner Institute, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Brandenburg, Germany,
- Sept. 2015 Master of Science, IT Systems Engineering, overall grade: 1.0 (A+).
 - Master's project: Spur to go faster: Low-level Functionality in a High-level Language
 - o Master's thesis: Nested Class Modularity in Squeak/Smalltalk Project and thesis supervised by Prof. Dr. Robert Hirschfeld, Tim Felgentreff, Tobias Pape
 - o Relevant coursework: VMs and Execution Environments, Context-oriented Programming

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- Sept. 2013 University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA, United States of America,
- June 2014 Visiting student, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, GPA: 4.0.
 - o Full tuition and living expenses covered by UC Education Abroad Program and DAAD Scholarship
 - Relevant coursework: Advanced Compilers (CSE 131/231), Programming Languages (CSE 130/230),
 Adv. Algorithms (CSE 190/202/203A), Parallel Computation (CSE 260), Database Analytics (CSE 190)
- Aug. 2010 Hasso Plattner Institute, University of Potsdam, Potsdam, Brandenburg, Germany,
- July 2013 Bachlor of Science, IT Systems Engineering, overall grade: 1.0 (A+), rank 1/74.
 - o Bachelor's project: Evolving Applications: Object-migration with Ruby and GemStone
 - o Bachelor's thesis: Inter-language Collaboration in an Object-oriented Virtual Machine Project and thesis supervised by Prof. Dr. Robert Hirschfeld, Tim Felgentreff, Tobias Pape
 - o Relevant coursework: Software Architecture, Software Engineering I, Advanced Modularity, Database Systems I/II, Internet and WWW Technologies, Designing Interactive Systems (HCI)

Publications on Google Scholar: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=EvHvYtMAAAAJ

A Research Experience

- Oct. 2014 Programming Languages/Compilers, Tokyo Institute of Technology / Hasso Plattner Institute,
- Sept. 2019 Research with Prof. Hidehiko Masuhara and Prof. Robert Hirschfeld.
 - ♠ DYNASOAR: A lock-free CUDA memory allocator with SOA layout, based on hierarchical bitmaps.
 - COMPACTGPU: Fully parallel GPU memory defragmentation for better vector/cache performance.
 - ♠ IKRA-CPP: A C++/CUDA DSL for object-oriented programming with Structure-of-Arrays data layout.
 - GIKRA-RUBY: A GPGPU library for Ruby (Ruby-to-CUDA compiler) with parallel array operations.
 - MATRIONA: A module system for Squeak/Smalltalk based on class nesting/parameterization.
 - CONTEXTAMBER: A COP (Context-oriented Programming) library for Amber Smalltalk.
 - o Other Projects: Minor contributions to the \mathbf{O} RSQUEAK VM and to the Truffle-based JRUBY implementation.
- March 2014 Relationship Queries, University of California San Diego,
- Nov. 2014 Database research with Prof. Yannis Papakonstantinou and Chunbin Lin.

Evaluated algorithms and data structures for relationship queries in relational/graph database systems, and compared them with latest column store techniques. Implemented the first $\mathrm{GQ}\text{-}\mathrm{Fast}$ DB prototype.

- May 2011 Internet Technologies, Hasso Plattner Institute, Internet Technologies and Systems Group.
- Apr. 2013 O SOA SECURITY LAB: A browser-based simulation system for modelling and executing web service scenarios.
 Worked on the Oryx Modelling Editor, developed a database backend with Grails and PostgreSQL, and integrated the system into an existing OpenNebula VM network.
 - o Tele-Lab: A hands-on system for teaching and simulating network security scenarios on a cluster of virtual machines. Worked on the user interface using Grails, HTML and JavaScript.

Achievements and Prizes

Feb. 2021 **Seiichi Tejima Doctoral Dissertation Award** 【手島精一記念研究賞(博士論文賞)】.

Doctoral thesis award in the category *Information Science*, awarded to authors of outstanding dissertations at Tokyo Institute of Technology.

- July 2019, ACM Student Research Competition, Association for Computing Machinery.
- Nov. 2018, o [PLDI 2019 (Phoenix, AZ)] 1^{st} place, graduate category for CompactGPU
- Feb. 2018 \circ [SPLASH 2018 (Boston, MA)] 1st place, graduate category for SOAALLOC (now called DYNASOAR)
 - o [CGO 2018 (Vienna, Austria)] 3^{rd} place, graduate category for IKRA-CPP
- April 2018 Research Fellowship for Young Scientists (JSPS DC2) 【日本学術振興会特別研究員DC2】.
- Sept. 2019 Fellowship from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), covering living expenses. Research expenses covered by KAKENHI (科研費) Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Fellows (18J14726).
 - Oct. 2015 Monbukagakusho (MEXT) Scholarship 【文部科学省奨学金】.
- Mar. 2018 Japanese government scholarship for doctoral students, covering tuition and living expenses.
 - Oct. 2014 Hasso Plattner Scholarship.
- Sept. 2015 One-year scholarship awarded to the best Bachelor graduates of each year, covering living expenses.
- March 2015 Media Hack Day Berlin, Second Prize, Allryder API Prize, Fab Lab Berlin Prize.

Developed GREENTIRE, an iOS app which consolidates useful information from different sensors of the car and from partner APIs to evaluate the driving behavior.

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- Sept. 2013 German Academic Exchange Service Scholarship (DAAD Jahresstipendium).
- May 2014 Government scholarship from DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst) to study at a North American university for one academic year, covering tuition and living expenses.
 - 2007 German Federal Competition in Computer Science (Bundeswettbewerb Informatik).
 - 2010 Participated three years in a row. 30/around 1100 participants are invited to the final round.
 - o [2009/2010] 1st prize in first two rounds, invited to final round (University of Freiburg)
 - o [2008/2009] 2nd prize in first two rounds
 - o [2007/2008] 1st prize in first two rounds, invited to final round (Max Planck Institute for CS)
- 2010/2011 informatiCup 2011, organized by the Gesellschaft für Informatik, Bonn, Germany.

Participated in first round and in final round (6/38 teams invited). Wrote optimization algorithms for placing ATMs on a map, using Simulated Annealing, Tabu Search and greedy algorithms.

- (various) Academic Honors, Graduation with distinction (Bachelor's, Master's), 2x Provost's Honors at UCSD.
- (various) **Travel Grants**, ECOOP Summer School 2016, SIGPLAN-PLMW (POPL 2017), SIGPLAN-PAC (PLDI 2017), Google MUC Compiler and PL Summit (2017, 2018), ACM SRC (CGO 2018, SPLASH 2018, PLDI 2019).

Academic Service

Program Committee, CROW 2016, COP 2017, COP 2018.

Reviewer, APLAS 2016, ARRAY 2017, ECOOP 2020, LASSY 2017, MPLR 2019, SIMPAT.

Student Volunteer, ECOOP (2015, 2016, 2017, 2019), PLDI (2016, 2017, 2018), SPLASH 2018.

Organizing Committee, Student volunteer co-chair at PLDI 2019.

Other Projects

- Sept. 2014 ME310 Global Team-based Product Innovation & Engineering,
- July 2015 Collaboration between Hasso Plattner Institute and Stanford University, including several exchange visits.
 Worked on a design challenge by Audi USA with Stanford mechanical engineering students. Prototyped concepts for communication between pedestrians, passengers and autonomous cars, using design thinking.
- June 2013 **Athens for Amber Smalltalk**, Google Summer of Code 2013 Project,
- Sept. 2013 European Smalltalk User Group (ESUG), Mentors: Nicolas Petton, Igor Stasenko.
 Implemented the Athens vector graphics library in Amber Smalltalk, a Smalltalk system running in the web browser, using HTML5 Canvas. Developed a Morphic-like framework for building GUIs with Athens.
 - Dec. 2012 MagLev Database Explorer, Part of Bachelor's project at HPI, Software Architecture Group.
- June 2013 Developed an IDE running in a web browser for exploring Ruby/Smalltalk objects persisted in a GemStone/S 64 image, writing Ruby/Smalltalk code and debugging Rails/Sinatra applications interactively.

</> Skills

- Programming Android (A), C (C), C++ (B), C# .NET (A), CUDA (C), Dart (B), Go (B), Haskell (A), Java SE (C), LLVM (A), MLIR (B), NumPy (A), Python (B), Ruby (MRI, MagLev) (B), Smalltalk (Amber, GemStone, Pharo, Squeak) (C), SQL (B), Visual Basic (VB 6, VBA) (A).
- Software Eng. Design Patterns (B), Git (B), Jenkins (A), Mercurial (A), Scrum (A), Subversion (A), TDD (A), UML (B).
 - Server OS Debian/Linux Server (A), Windows Server (A).
 - Web CSS (A), Grails (B), Groovy (A), HTML (A), JavaScript (A), jQuery (A), Ruby on Rails (A).

A: level 1/basic, B: level 2/experienced, C: level 3/expert

* Personal Information

Languages German (native speaker), English (CEFR C2, TOEFL iBT score 118/120), Japanese (JLPT N3 147/180).

Memberships ACM, ACM-SIGPLAN, Bundeswettbewerb Informatik Alumni und Freunde e.V.).

Hobbies Biking, weightlifting, Dance Dance Revolution, playing trumpet and flugelhorn.

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