

# JIAN MENG

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## EDUCATION

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**Cornell University**  
**Doctor of Philosophy**  
School of Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering

*August 2023 - Present*

**Arizona State University**  
**Doctor of Philosophy**  
School of Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering

*August 2019 - May 2023*  
Overall GPA: 3.83/4.0

**Portland State University**  
**Bachelor of Science**  
Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

*September 2015 - June 2019*  
Overall GPA: 3.61/4.0; Graduate level GPA: 3.75/4.0

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Meta Reality Lab**

**May 2023 - Aug 2023**

- **Energy-efficient compression algorithm design for Codec Avatar project** Investigate and enhance the rendering quality under the low-precision model that is designed for AR/VR.

**Seo Lab, ASU & Cornell**  
*Advisor: Jae-sun Seo*

**August 2019 - Present**

- **Energy efficient Self-supervised Learning:** Hardware-aware sparse contrastive learning; High-performance contrastive learning algorithm for compact DNN encoder.
- **Robustness Enhancement Algorithm for In-Memory-Computing:** Robustness enhancement algorithm to overcome the temperature-induced variation in RRAM-based in-memory computing.
- **DNN Training Accelerator:** Hardware-compatible sparse training algorithm for a 28nm taped-out training accelerator.
- **FPGA-based Fully on-chip Inference:** Full on-chip, fully-pipelined sparse model inference accelerator with low precision (sub 4-bit) operation.
- **Sparse In-Memory-Computing:** System-level RRAM accelerator design incorporates low precision model with structured sparsity.

**Teuscher Lab, Portland State University**

**January 2018 - June 2019**

- Design an energy-efficient deep neural network for mobile radiation detection platforms.

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

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**Research Scientist: Meta Reality Lab**

**May. 2023 - Aug. 2023**

- **Energy-efficient and high-quality compression algorithm design for Codec Avatar model** Investigate the quality enhancement strategy and algorithm with the low-precision model.

**Teaching Assistant: Arizona State University**  
*EEE598: Neuromorphic Computing Hardware Design*

**Jan. 2022 - May 2022**

**System Engineer: Kilby Labs of Texas Instrument**

**Jun. 2021 - Aug. 2021**

- **End-to-end compiler design for neural network acceleration.** Design and test a Pytorch-based compiler for deploying low-precision neural networks to the in-memory-computing-based accelerator.

**Teaching Assistant: Portland State University**

**Sep. 2018 - Jun. 2019**

- ECE 221/2/3 (Circuit Analysis) and ECE 510 (Mathematical Foundation of Machine Learning)

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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### Conference Publications (\*=Equal Contribution)

[C11] [AAAI'24] **Jian Meng**, Li Yang, Jinwoo Shin, Deliang Fan, and Jae-sun Seo, "Synchronized Contrastive Pruning for Efficient Self-Supervised Learning" (under review) (**Invited & Presented in IBM Research AI Hardware Forum**)

· [C10] [NeurIPS'22] **Jian Meng\***, Li Yang\*, Jae-sun Seo, and Deliang Fan, "Get More at Once: Alternating Sparse Training with Gradient Correction," Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2022.

· [C9] [DATE'22] Fan Zhang, Li Yang, **Jian Meng**, Jae-sun Seo, Yu Cao and Deliang Fan, "XST: A Crossbar Column-wise Sparse Training for Efficient Continual Learning," IEEE Design, Automation & Test in Europe (DATE) [**Best IP (Interactive Presentations) Paper Award**].

· [C8] [CVPR'22] **Jian Meng**, Li Yang, Jinwoo Shin, Deliang Fan, and Jae-sun Seo, "Contrastive Dual Gating: Learning Sparse Features With Contrastive Learning," Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), 2022. (**Invited & Presented in IBM Research AI Hardware Forum**)

[C7] [IRPS'22] **Jian Meng**, Injune Yeo, Wonbo Shim, Li Yang, Deliang Fan, Shimeng Yu, and Jae-sun Seo "Sparse and Robust RRAM-based Efficient In-memory Computing for DNN Inference" (IRPS).

[C6] [ESSCIRC'22] Shreyas K. Venkataramanaiah, **Jian Meng**, Han-Sok Suh, Injune Yeo, Jyotishman Saikia, Sai Kiran Cherupally, Yichi Zhang, Zhiru Zhang, and Jae-sun Seo, A 28nm 8-bit Floating-Point Tensor Core based CNN Training Processor with Dynamic Activation/Weight Sparsification, IEEE European Solid-State Circuits Conference (ESSCIRC), 2022.

[C5] [FPT'21] Han-sok Suh, **Jian Meng**, Ty Nguyen, Shreyas K. Venkataramanaiah, Vijay Kumar, Yu Cao, and Jae-sun Seo, Algorithm-Hardware Co-Optimization for Energy-Efficient Drone Detection on Resource-Constrained FPGA, IEEE ICFPT, 2021.

[C4] [FPL'21] **Jian Meng**, Shreyas Kolala Venkataramanaiah, Chuteng Zhou, Patrick Hansen, Paul Whatmough and Jae-sun Seo, "FixyFPGA: Efficient FPGA Accelerator for Deep Neural Networks with High Element-Wise Sparsity and without External Memory Access", International Conference on Field Programmable Logic and Applications (FPL), 2021.

[C3] [IRPS'21] Wonbo Shim, **Jian Meng**, Xiaochen Peng, Jae-sun Seo, and Shimeng Yu, "Impact of Multilevel Retention Characteristics on RRAM based DNN Inference Engine" (IRPS), 2021

[C2] [DATE'21] Jyotishman Saikia, Shihui Yin, Bo Zhang, **Jian Meng**, Mingoo Seok and Jae-sun Seo, "Modeling and Optimization of SRAM-based In-Memory Computing Hardware Design," IEEE Design, Automation, and Test in Europe (DATE), 2021.

[C1] [INTERSPEECH'20] Deepak Kadetotad, **Jian Meng**, Visar Berisha, Chaitali Chakrabarti, and Jae-sun Seo, Compressing LSTM Networks with Hierarchical Coarse-Grain Sparsity, INTERSPEECH, 2020.

### Journal Publications

[J4] [IEEE SSCM] Jae-sun Seo, Jyotishman Saikia, **Jian Meng**, Wangxin He, Han-sok Suh, Anupreetham, Yuan Liao, Ahmed Hasssan, and Injune Yeo, Advances in Digital vs. Analog AI Accelerators, IEEE Solid-State Circuits Magazine, 2022

[J3] [IEEE MICRO] **Jian Meng**, Wonbo Shim, Li Yang, Deliang Fan, Shimeng Yu, and Jae-sun Seo, Temperature-Resilient RRAM-based In-Memory Computing for DNN Inference, IEEE Micro, 2021 (**Invited & Presented in IBM Research AI Hardware Forum**)

[J2] [IEEE JETCAS] Arnab Neelim Mazumder, **Jian Meng**, Hasib-Al Rashid, Utteja Kallakuri, Xin Zhang, Jae-sun Seo, Tinoosh Mohsenin, "A Survey on the Optimization of Neural Network Accelerators for Micro-AI On-Device Inference", IEEE JETCAS, 2021

[J1] [IEEE TCAS-II] **Jian Meng**, Li Yang, Xiaochen Peng, Shimeng Yu, Deliang Fan, Jae-sun Seo, "Structured Pruning of RRAM Crossbars for Efficient In-Memory Computing Acceleration of Deep Neural Networks". IEEE TCAS-II, 2021.