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## RESEARCH TOPICS

High Performance Computing, CPU-GPU Heterogeneous Computing,  
Distributed Deep Learning, Performance Modeling

## EDUCATION

*Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)*, Computer Science  
**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** - Urbana, Illinois  
Aug 2016 - Present

*Bachelor of Science (BS)*, Computer Science and Engineering  
**Seoul National University** - Seoul, Korea  
Mar 2010 - Feb 2016

## EXPERIENCE

*Research Assistant* Aug 2016 - Present  
**Parallel Programming Laboratory**, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

- GPU support in the Charm++ parallel programming system
  - Managing asynchronous progress of fine-grained, heterogeneous tasks for overlap of computation and communication
  - Host-bypass messaging between objects with GPU-resident data using CUDA IPC and GPUDirect RDMA
- Heterogeneous, data-parallel distributed deep learning with data partitioning between CPU and GPU
- GPU-accelerated mini-apps: Jacobi iterative method, Barnes-Hut N-body simulation, and adaptive mesh refinement (AMR)
- Low-latency RDMA message transfers with Infiniband Verbs API

*Research Intern* May - Aug 2019  
Center for Applied Scientific Computing, **Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory** - Livermore, CA

- Performance modeling and optimization of GPU-accelerated Exascale Computing Project (ECP) proxy applications, including SW4lite and MiniFE

*Technology Research Intern* May - Aug 2018  
**Walt Disney Animation Studios** - Burbank, CA

- Memory usage optimization via de-duplication in Hyperion, a parallel path tracing based rendering framework

*Undergraduate Research Assistant* Jun 2015 - Apr 2016  
**Center for Manycore Programming**, Seoul National University

- Developed Linux kernel module for distributed shared memory implementation of SnuCL using RDMA

*Undergraduate Research Assistant* Feb - Jun 2015  
**Computer Systems and Platforms Laboratory**, Seoul National University

- Developed Linux network driver for A2 operating system on Intel Single-chip Cloud Computer (SCC)

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| <b>PUBLICATIONS</b>        | <i>Fast Profiling-based Performance Modeling of Distributed GPU Applications</i><br>ACM Student Research Competition (SRC) Poster, SC '19                              |                     |
|                            | <i>Runtime Support for Concurrent Execution of Overdecomposed Heterogeneous Tasks</i><br>ACM Student Research Competition (SRC) Poster, SC '17                         |                     |
| <b>TALKS</b>               | <i>Improving the Performance of Overdecomposed Applications on GPU-accelerated Systems</i><br>15th CSL Student Conference (CSLSC 2020), <b>Best Presentation Award</b> |                     |
|                            | <i>Messaging with GPU-resident Data</i><br>Charm++ and AMPI: Adaptive and Asynchronous Parallel Programming, Birds of a Feather, SC'19                                 |                     |
|                            | <i>Distributed Deep Learning: Leveraging Heterogeneity and Data-Parallelism</i><br>17th Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications (2019)                         |                     |
|                            | <i>Interoperability of Shared Memory Parallel Programming Models with Charm++</i><br>17th Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications (2019)                       |                     |
|                            | <i>Recent Advances in Heterogeneous Computing using Charm++</i><br>16th Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications (2018)   |                     |
| <b>AWARDS &amp; HONORS</b> | <i>Best Presentation Award (HPC Session)</i><br>CSL Student Conference, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  | Feb 2020            |
|                            | <i>Graduated with Honors (Cum Laude)</i><br>Seoul National University  | Feb 2016            |
|                            | <i>National Science and Technology Scholarship</i><br>Korea Scholarship Foundation   | Mar 2010 - Feb 2016 |
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| <b>ACTIVITIES</b>          | <i>General Chair</i><br>17th Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications   | May 2019            |
|                            | <i>Publicity Chair</i><br>16th Annual Workshop on Charm++ and Its Applications   | Apr 2018            |
|                            | <i>Student Volunteer</i><br>SC'17, Denver, Colorado  | Nov 2017            |
|                            | <i>SNU Tomorrow's Edge Membership (STEM)</i><br>Honor Society, College of Engineering, Seoul National University   | Dec 2014 - Feb 2016 |
|                            | <i>Korean Augmentation to the United States Army (KATUSA)</i><br>Military Service, KATUSA Training Academy/NCO Academy, Camp Jackson                                   | Apr 2011 - Jan 2013 |
| <b>TECHNICAL SKILLS</b>    | <i>Programming Languages: C++, C, Python</i>   |                     |
|                            | <i>Parallel/Distributed Programming: CUDA, OpenMP, MPI, Charm++</i>  |                     |