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RESEARCH INTERESTS

I am interested in the field of computer architecture, mostly domain specific accelerators and energy efficient optimizations, cache and memory optimizations, hardware security and near memory computations.

EDUCATION

B.Sc. Engineering (Hons), University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka 2018 - 2022
Major - Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering GPA - 4.08/4.20

GCE Advanced Level, Royal College, Colombo 2008 - 2016
Physical Science Island Rank - 31 z-Score - 2.64

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RISC-V Vector Processors (Ongoing)

Goal of this research is to design an energy efficient vector ALU which is capable of catering the RISC-V vector extension instructions. Developed and simulated a vector adder and a vector multiplier which re-utilizes same hardware for different element widths.

Keywords : Vector Processing, Vector Lanes, SIMD Architectures, RISC-V ISA

Oversight (May 2021 - April 2022)

Developed an end to end solution to control and monitor the energy usage of buildings that consists of two smart sockets, a AC controller and a learning based prediction model. Researched on using historical energy data to predict energy usage of the future. Achieved a MAPE of 16% for one day ahead forecasts using an attention based LSTM model.

Keywords : Energy Monitoring, Deep Learning

WORK EXPERIENCE

Electronics Engineer - Paraqum Technologies (SiFive Contractor) (Ongoing)

Core IP verification team at SiFive TW.

- Verification tasks related to cache coherent bus protocol TileLink.

Visiting Instructor - University of Moratuwa (July 2022 - Oct 2022)

Department of Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering

- Teaching Assistant for EN3240 - Embedded Systems Engineering
- Assisting Laboratory Sessions for EN1094 - Laboratory Practices 1

Software Engineer - WSO2 Lanka (May 2022 - Oct 2022)

API Manager Product Team at WSO2 Sri Lanka.

- Integrating a dynamic correlation logging capabilities to the API Manager Product and the Micro Integrator Product
- Maintaining Bug Fixes related to the API Manager Product, Micro Integrator Product and the Integration Studio Product.

PROJECTS

RISC-V Processor Implementation

(April 2022)

Designed and Simulated a **6 stage pipeline processor** for RISC-V RV32I ISA using Chisel3. Integrated a **direct mapped cache**, managed pipeline hazards by using a 2-bit **branch predictor** and a data forwarding unit. *Keywords : **Pipelining, Chisel3, Verilator, RISC-V ISA***

Serial Bus Design Project

(Jan 2022)

Designed a serial bus protocol which supports **burst communication** with **split transactions**. A ready valid interface was used to communicate between 2 master devices and 3 slave devices. Added an **UART bridge** to communicate with external devices and tested using a DE2-115 FPGA Board. *Keywords : **Serial Bus, Verilog, UART, Ready-Valid Interface***

Code Compression Project

(May 2021)

Developed a C++ driver code to compress and decompress codes for embedded applications using **4-bit dictionary** based compression. Achieved a code compression ratio of **3:1**. *Keywords : **C++, Compression Algorithms***

Matrix Multiplication Processor

(Feb 2021)

Designed a **custom ISA** and a **multi-core** processor to perform matrix multiplication. Implemented the design on DE2-115 FPGA board using Verilog. *Keywords : **SIMD processing, ModelSim***

Robot Design for Competitions

(July, Nov 2019)

Designed Arduino based robots to complete tasks comprising of line following, coin releasing, wall maze solving, obstacle detection, colour detection & line maze solving. Designed PCBs using Altium.

UART Transceiver Implementation on FPGA

(June 2019)

Designed and Realized using the DE0-Nano Development Board. Verified the design using simulations.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Advanced Diploma in Management Accounting

(Nov 2019)

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants(CIMA)

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

DEV210x: Introduction to C++ & DEV210.2x: Intermediate C++

(Mar 2020)

by Microsoft on edX

Mastering Microcontroller with Embedded Driver Development

(July 2020)

*Learn bare metal driver development systems using Embedded C:
Writing drivers for STM32 GPIO,I2C,SPI,USART from scratch
on Udemy*

SKILLS

Languages

C, C++, Java, Scala, Python, C++, MATLAB, Verilog, Chisel3

Tools

Vivado, Quartus, Shell, Git, ModelSim, Verilator, VSCode, Arduino

AWARDS

Finalist - <i>Xbotix 2019</i>	<i>(Dec 2019)</i>
Finalist - <i>Sri Lankan Robotics Challenge 2019</i>	<i>(Nov 2019)</i>
Finalist - <i>Ranked 26th in MoraXtreme Programming Competition</i>	<i>(Oct 2019)</i>
Finalist - <i>RoboFest 2019 Micromouse Competition</i>	<i>(Sep 2019)</i>
Champions - <i>Robot Design & Competition</i>	<i>(Aug 2019)</i>
National Prize Winner - <i>Operational Case Study - CIMA</i>	<i>(Feb 2018)</i>

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

President - <i>OREPA Student Chapter</i>	<i>(2020/21)</i>
School Projects Director - <i>OREPA Student Chapter</i>	<i>(2019/20)</i>
Matching Panelist - <i>AIESEC Colombo South</i>	<i>(2018/19)</i>
IR Team Member - <i>AIESEC Colombo South</i>	<i>(2018/19)</i>
Junior Prefect - <i>Royal College, Colombo</i>	<i>(2011)</i>