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I design and implement mechanisms that leverage the advances in mobile hardware (e.g., heterogeneous multiprocessors and accelerators) to improve the energy efficiency and user experience of compute- and sensing-intensive mobile applications. My research interest covers a broad spectrum of fields, including data-center energy efficiency, algorithmic game theory, and applied machine learning algorithms in mobile systems.

EDUCATION

- 2016 Ph.D. in COMPUTER SCIENCE, **Duke University**
Mobile Energy Efficiency | Advisor: Benjamin C. LEE
- 2013 M.S. in COMPUTER SCIENCE, **Duke University**
Mobile Sensing | Advisor: Romit ROY CHOUDHURY
- 2011 B.E. in SOFTWARE ENGINEERING, **Nanjing University**, China
Sensor Networks | Advisor: Guihai CHEN
- 2010 Summer School, **Shanghai JiaoTong University**, China
Sensor Networks | China 973 Project

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 09/2016 - Software engineer at **Google Inc.**, CA
Android Platform; Infrastructure
- 06-08/2014 Research Intern at **IBM T.J. Watson Research Center**, NY
Networking and Cloud Computing Group, supervision of Dr. Theodoros Salonidis
- 06-08/2012 Research Intern at **Bell Labs, Alcatel-Lucent**, NJ
Wireless Program Group, supervision Dr. Li Erran Li

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2013-2016 Research Assistant at **Duke University**
Systems Architecture Integration Lab, supervision of Dr. Benjamin C. Lee
PROJECT 1: Developed a set of mobile benchmarks and characterized their instruction-level as well as the architecture-level features. Conducted experiments on ARM big.LITTLE processor and gem5 simulator.
PROJECT 2: Developed a game-theory based managing mechanism to let strategic processors decide whether to sprint based on application phases. Experimented on Apache Spark and its machine learning libraries.
- 2011-2013 Research Assistant at **Duke University**
Systems and Network Research Group, supervision of Dr. Romit Roy Choudhury
PROJECT 1: By inserting a smartphone into a soft-toy, we enabled toys to identify children's gestures by conducting mobile sensing, signal processing and unsupervised machine learning at real-time.
PROJECT 2: Developed a mobile-sensing based automatic content rating system, which utilizes visual, audio and motion sensors to detect users' reactions and further estimate how much they liked the movie.
PROJECT 3: Studied Linux driver for Wi-Fi scanning in mobile devices and discovered one source of inefficiency.
- 2009-2011 Research Assistant at **Nanjing University**
Grip, P2P and Sensor Group, supervision of Dr. Guihai Chen
Participated in the development of a network platform that connects wireless sensor networks, broadcast FM radio networks and the Internet, based on software defined radio networks (USRP).

PUBLICATIONS

- Songchun Fan, Theodoros Salonidis, Benjamin C. Lee: [Swarm Computing for Mobile Sensing](#), *ICDCS 2018*.
- Songchun Fan*, Seyed Majid Zahedi*, Benjamin C. Lee: [Distributed Strategies for Computational Sprints](#), *To Appear in Communications of the ACM, Research Highlight 2018*. (*Co-First Authors)
- Seyed Majid Zahedi, Songchun Fan, Benjamin C. Lee: [Managing Heterogeneous Datacenters with Tokens](#), *TACO 2018*.
- Songchun Fan, Qiuyun Wang, Benjamin C. Lee: [Predicting sensory data and extending battery life for wearable devices](#), *HotMobile 2017*.
- Qiuyun Wang, Songchun Fan and Benjamin Lee: [Cooper: Task Colocation on Shared Hardware with Cooperative Games](#), *HPCA 2017*.
- Seyed Majid Zahedi, Songchun Fan, Matthew Faw, Elijah Cole, Benjamin C. Lee: [Computational Sprinting: Architecture, Dynamics, and Strategies](#), *TOCS Vol. 34, No. 4*
- Songchun Fan*, Seyed Majid Zahedi*, Benjamin Lee: [The Computational Sprinting Game](#), *ASPLOS 2016*. (*Co-First Authors)
- Songchun Fan, Theodoros Salonidis, Benjamin Lee: [A Framework for Collaborative Sensing and Processing of Mobile Data Streams](#), *MobiCom 2016 Demo*
- Songchun Fan and Benjamin Lee: [Evaluating Asymmetric Multiprocessing for Mobile Applications](#), *ISPASS 2016*.
- Songchun Fan, Hyojeong Shin and Romit Roy Choudhury: [Injecting Life into Toys](#), *ACM HotMobile 2014*.
- Xuan Bao, Songchun Fan, Alexander Varshavsky, Kevin Li and Romit Roy Choudhury: [Your reactions suggest you liked the movie: automatic content rating via reaction sensing](#), *ACM UbiComp 2013*
- Songchun Fan, Mahanth Gowda and Romit Roy Choudhury: [Saving Power for Mobile Phones with Partial Wi-Fi Scans](#), *ACM MobiSys 2012 Poster*
- Songchun Fan, Lubin Guan, Chao Dong, Lizhao You and Guihai Chen: [Software Radio Implementation of Integrating Heterogeneous Wireless Networks](#), *IEEE Infocom 2011 Demo Poster*
- Songchun Fan, Xin Fan, Cheng Tan and Jinyu Zhang: [HeartPlayer: A Smart Music Player Involving Emotion Recognition, Expression and Recommendation](#), *Multimedia Modeling 2011 Demo Poster*

PATENT APPLICATIONS

- [Method and apparatus for content rating using reaction sensing](#), Kevin Ansia Li, Alex Varshavsky, Xuan Bao, Romit Roy Choudhury, Songchun Fan
- [Deployment and execution of sensing and computational tasks in a network of computing devices](#), Shahrokh Daijavad, Nirmal V. Desai, Songchun Fan, Martin G. Kienzle, Theodoros Salonidis, Rahul Urgaonkar, Dinesh C. Verma

AWARDS

- 2018 Communications of the ACM, Research Highlight
- 2017 IEEE Micro Top Picks Honorable Mention
- 2016 Best Paper Award, ASPLOS
- 2013 Best Paper Honorable Mention, ACM UbiComp
- 2011 Graduate Fellowship, Computer Science Department, Duke University
- 2011 Huawei Best Poster Award, IEEE Infocom Student Activities
- 2009 National First Prize, China Undergraduate Mathematical Contest in Modeling

SKILLS

Operating System:	Linux, Mac, Windows, Android
Embedded Platform:	Android, ARM Versatile Express, TelosB Sensors
Programming Languages:	Java, C, C++, Python
Scripting Language:	Bash, Perl
Data Analysis:	R, MATLAB
Simulators:	Gem5, Marssx86, QEMU
Big Data Processing:	Apache Spark, Hadoop
Version Control:	Git, SVN, CVS

GRADUATE COURSES

Specialized Computer Architecture	Data-Center Architecture	Computer Architecture
Privacy in Mobile Social World	Wireless Networking	Operating Systems
Algorithmic Paradigms	Probability and Statistics	Machine Learning

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2013	Computer Networks/Distributed Systems
2012	Computer Network Architecture
2010	Personal Software Process (PSP)