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Research Interests

- **FPGA-based Accelerators:** Application-specific Architectures
- **Design Automation:** Design Space Exploration and Hardware Design Generation
- **Optimization via Reinforcement Learning:** Especially, Routing Optimization

Education

Tokyo Tech (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

D.E. IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING. ADVISOR IS ATSUSHI TAKAHASHI.

Tokyo, Japan
Apr. 2022 - Mar. 2025

Tokyo Tech (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

M.E. IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING. ADVISOR IS HIROKI NAKAHARA.

Tokyo, Japan
Apr. 2018 - Mar. 2020

Tokyo Tech (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

B.E. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE. ADVISOR IS HIROKI NAKAHARA.

Tokyo, Japan
Apr. 2016 - Mar. 2018

Ichinoseki National College of Technology

ASSOC. B.E. IN ENGINEERING. ADVISOR IS KOJI OBOKATA.

Iwate, Japan
Apr. 2010 - Mar. 2015

Work Experience

Software Engineer at rinna Co., Ltd.

Tokyo, Japan
Jun. 2021 - Now

Researcher at NTT Network Innovation Laboratories

RESEARCH ROUTING AND SPECTRUM ASSIGNMENT USING REINFORCEMENT LEARNING FOR OPTICAL NETWORKS.

Yokosuka, Japan
Apr. 2020 - Jun. 2021

Intern at Preferred Networks Inc.

RESEARCHED FINE-GRAINED DATAFLOW ACCELERATOR FOR CNN INFERENCE.

Tokyo, Japan
Aug. 2019 - Sep. 2019

Intern at SONY Corp.

DEVELOPED AN FPGA-BASED ACCELERATOR FOR A PROPRIETARY NEURAL NETWORK MODEL, AND CONTRIBUTED TO THE OPEN-SOURCE PROJECT NEURAL NETWORK LIBRARIES.

Tokyo, Japan
Aug. 2018 - Sep. 2018

Research Assistant at Nakahara Lab, Tokyo Institute of Technology

CONTRIBUTED TO THE OPEN-SOURCE PROJECT GUINNESS.

Tokyo, Japan
Apr. 2017 - Mar. 2020

Awards and Scholarships

INTERNATIONAL

- 2019 **Best Paper Award Runner-up**, IEEE International Symposium on Embedded Multicore/Many-core Systems-on-Chip (MCSoc)
- 2019 **Iron Award**, InnovateFPGA Global Design Contest (APJ Regional Competition)

Nanyang Avenue,
Singapore
Tokyo, Japan

DOMESTIC

- 2020 **Half Payment Exemption of Master's Scholarship of Japan Student Services Organization for Outstanding Students**
- 2019 **IEICE RECONF Young Presentation Award**
- 2019 **Obtained Fixters Corp. Scholarship for Outstanding STEM Students**
- 2018 **IPSJ ARC Young Presentation Award**
- 2014 **FUJITSU Corp. Award**, 25th National College of Technology Programming Contest

Tokyo, Japan
Tokyo, Japan
Tokyo, Japan
Tokyo, Japan
Iwate, Japan

Qualification and Skills

- **TOEIC:** 790 (Apr.2017)
- **Azure:** AZ-900, AI-900, AZ-104

- **Design Tools:** SDSoC, Vivado HLS
- **Programming Languages:** C/C++, Python, Go
- **Operating Systems:** Ubuntu, macOS

Publications

JOURNAL (PEER REVIEW)

- (Invited)**Masayuki Shimoda**, Youki Sada, Hiroki Nakahara: FPGA-based Inter-layer Pipelined Accelerators for Filter-wise Weight-balanced Sparse Fully Convolutional Networks with Overlapped Tiling, J Sign Process Syst, 1-14, 2021 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Youki Sada, Ryosuke Kuramochi, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: SENTEI: Filter-wise Pruning with Distillation Towards Efficient Sparse Convolutional Neural Network Accelerators, IEICE Transactions, Vol.E103-D, pp.2463-2470, 2020 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroki Nakahara, Haruyoshi Yonekawa, Tomoya Fujii, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato: GUINNESS: A GUI Based Binarized Deep Neural Network Framework for Software Programmers, IEICE Transactions, Vol.E102-D, pp.1003-1011, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: Power Efficient Object Detector with an Event-Driven Camera for Moving Object Surveillance on an FPGA, IEICE Transactions, Vol.E102-D, pp.1020-1028, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Koji Obokata, Genki Oniyanagi, Kenta Sato, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Hiroki Chiba: Development of a Consensus Building System to Support Community Planning that Centers on Information Sharing Using the Map, Theory and applications of GIS, vol. 24, no. 2, pp. 115-124, 2016 (in Japanese) [\[URL\]](#).

CONFERENCE (PEER REVIEW)

- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Takafumi Tanaka: Mask RSA: End-To-End Reinforcement Learning-based Routing and Spectrum Assignment in Elastic Optical Networks, ECOC, 2021 [\[URL\]](#).
- Takafumi Tanaka, **Masayuki Shimoda**: Impact of Operational Mode Selection and Grooming Policies on Auxiliary Graph-Based Multi-layer Network Planning, ECOC, 2021 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Takafumi Tanaka: Deep Reinforcement Learning-based Spectrum Assignment with Multi-metric Reward Function and Assignable Boundary Slot Mask, OECC, 2021 [\[URL\]](#).
- Naoto Soga, Youki Sada, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Akira Jinguji, Shimpei Sato and Hiroki Nakahara: Fast Monocular Depth Estimation on an FPGA, IPDPS Workshop (RAW), 2020 [\[URL\]](#).
- Youki Sada, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Akira Jinguji, Hiroki Nakahara: A Dataflow Pipelining Architecture for Tile Segmentation with a Sparse MobileNet on an FPGA, FPT, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Ryosuke Kyuramochi, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Youki Sada, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: FPGA-based Accurate Pedestrian Detection with Thermal Camera for Surveillance System, ReConFig, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Ryosuke Kuramochi, Youki Sada, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: Many Universal Convolution Cores for Ensemble Sparse Convolutional Neural Networks, MCSoc, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroki Nakahara, Youki Sada, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Kouki Sayama, Akira Jinguji, Shimpei Sato: FPGA-based Training Accelerator Utilizing Sparseness of Convolutional Neural Network, FPL, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Youki Sada, Ryosuke Kuramochi, Hiroki Nakahara: An FPGA implementation of Real-time Object Detection with a Thermal Camera, FPL, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Youki Sada, Hiroki Nakahara: Filter-Wise Pruning Approach to FPGA Implementation of Fully Convolutional Network for Semantic Segmentation, ARC, 371-386, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroki Nakahara, Akira Jinguji, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato: An FPGA-based Fine Tuning Accelerator for a Sparse CNN, FPGA, 186, 2019 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroki Nakahara, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato: A Demonstration of FPGA-Based You Only Look Once Version2 (YOLOv2), FPL, 457-458, 2018 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: Demonstration of Object Detection for Event-Driven Cameras on FPGAs and GPUs, FPL, 461-462, 2018 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroki Nakahara, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato: A Tri-State Weight Convolutional Neural Network for an FPGA: Applied to YOLOv2 Object Detector, FPT, 298-301, 2018 [\[URL\]](#).
- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: Power Efficient Object Detector with an Event-Driven Camera on an FPGA, HEART, 10:1-10:6, 2018 [\[URL\]](#).
- Hiroyuki Nakahara, Haruyoshi Yonekawa, Tomoya Fujii, **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato: A demonstration of the GUINNESS: A GUI based neural NETwork Synthesizer for an FPGA, FPL, 1, 2017 [\[URL\]](#).

- **Masayuki Shimoda**, Shimpei Sato, Hiroki Nakahara: All binarized convolutional neural network and its implementation on an FPGA, ICFPT, 291-294, 2017 [[URL](#)].