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## About Me

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I am a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Sungkyunkwan University and also a member of Scalable Systems Laboratory at Yonsei University advised by prof. Jinkyu Jeong. I received my B.S. degree in the Department of Semiconductor Systems Engineering at Sungkyunkwan University. My research areas encompass operating systems, storage systems, database systems, and performance analysis. I mainly research on system profiling and optimization, especially for heterogeneous computing environments that include emerging hardware devices.

## Research Interests

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**Operating Systems, Storage Systems, Database Systems, System AI, Performance Analysis**

## Education

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<b>Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU)</b> <i>Combined M.S./Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Advisor:</b> Jinkyu Jeong (in Yonsei University)</li><li>• <b>Proposal:</b> Research on Application Performance Profiling Technique in Heterogeneous Computing Environments</li></ul>	Mar. 2017 - Present South Korea
<b>Sungkyunkwan University (SKKU)</b> <i>BS in Semiconductor Systems Engineering</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Relevant Coursework:</b> Operating Systems, Computer Architecture, Multicore Systems, Embedded Systems</li></ul>	Mar. 2013 - Feb. 2017 South Korea
<b>Korea Science Academy of KAIST (KSA)</b>	Mar. 2010 - Feb. 2013 South Korea

## Research Experience

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<b>Scalable Systems Software Laboratory, Yonsei University</b> <i>Dispatched Researcher (Advisor: Jinkyu Jeong)</i>	Mar. 2023 – Present Seoul, South Korea
<b>Computer Systems Laboratory, SKKU</b> <i>Graduate Student Researcher (Advisor: Jinkyu Jeong)</i>	Mar. 2017 – Feb. 2023 Suwon, South Korea

## Projects

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### Korea Exascale Application Software Development Environments

- Keywords: Performance Profiling, HPC
- Goal: Performance profiling framework for exa-scale HPC applications.
- National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF), Nov 2023- Apr 2028

### Research of Key-Value Stores for Exa-scale SSDs

- Keywords: NoSQL DBMS, storage systems, memory management
- Goal: Cost-effective memory management of large-scale DBMS with peta-scale SSDs.
- Samsung Electronics, Aug 2022-Jul 2024

### Causal Profiling for Heterogeneous Systems

- Keywords: performance profiling, causal profiling, domain-specific accelerators
- Goal: Developing causal profiler for heterogeneous systems that include SSDs along with GPU and FPGA.
- National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF), Sep 2020-Feb 2024

### Application's Performance Profiling and Optimization for Next-Generation SSDs

- Keywords: storage systems, performance profiling, NoSQL DBMS
- Goal: Performance profiling and optimization of applications with ultra-low latency SSDs.
- Samsung Electronics, Aug 2020-Jul 2022

### High Performance Computing Environment and Storage System

- Keywords: high-performance computing, OS noise, memory management, CPU scheduling
- Goal: Light-weighted Linux kernel for heterogeneous high-performance computing.
- National Research Foundation of Korea (NRF), Mar 2017-Jun 2021

## Publications

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### Identifying On-/Off-CPU Bottlenecks Together with Blocked Samples

- **Minwoo Ahn**, Jeongmin Han, Youngjin Kwon, and Jinkyu Jeong
- Proceedings of the 18th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (**OSDI'24**).

### A Performance-Stable NUMA Management Scheme for Linux-Based HPC Systems

- Jaehyun Song, **Minwoo Ahn**, Gysun Lee, Euseong Seo, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **IEEE Access**, vol. 9, pp. 52987-53002, March 2021, doi:10.1109/ACCESS.2021.3069991.

### D2FQ: Device-Direct Fair Queueing for NVMe SSDs

- Jiwon Woo, **Minwoo Ahn**, Gysun Lee, and Jinkyu Jeong
- Proceedings of 19th USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (**FAST'21**).

### SCOZ: A System-Wide Causal Profiler for Multicore Systems

- **Minwoo Ahn**, Donghyun Kim, Taekeun Nam, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **Software: Practice and Experience**, vol. 51, issue 5, pp. 1043-1058, May 2021, doi:10.1002/spe.2930.

## Domestic Papers (Korean)

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### Parallel Filter/Index Access for Improving Read Performance of LSM-Tree

- Jeongmin Han, **Minwoo Ahn**, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **KIIE Transactions on Computing Practices (KTCP)**, Sep. 2023.
- Invited Paper (Excellent Presentation Award)

### GPU Kernel Speedup Prediction using GPU Causal Profiling

- Sangyoon Kwon, **Minwoo Ahn**, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **Korea Software Congress**, Dec. 2022.

### Multi-Level Filter Access in LSM-tree using Asynchronous I/O

- Jeongmin Han, **Minwoo Ahn**, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **Korea Software Congress**, Dec. 2022.
- Excellent Presentation Award

### I/O Polling Task Placement on Hyperthreading-Enabled Multicore CPU

- Sungyoon Kim, Sungjun Ha, **Minwoo Ahn**, and Jinkyu Jeong
- **Korea Computer Congress**, July. 2019.
- Excellent Paper Award

## Awards and Honors

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Excellent Poster Prize - Computer Systems Society	2024
Excellent Presentation Prize - Korea Software Congress	2022
Excellent Paper Prize - Korea Software Congress	2019
Grand Prize (2nd place) - Korea Supercomputing Challenge	2018

## Teaching Experiences (TA)

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System Programming Experiment - UNIX programming	2022
JAVA Programming Experiment - basics of object-oriented programming (JAVA)	2022
Embedded Systems Design - FTL design in OpenSSD (Jasmine)	2018
Embedded Systems Experiment - android kernel programming (virtual device)	2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
Operating Systems - design of operating systems and exercises with xv6	2017, 2018
Computer Architecture - design of computer architecture	2017, 2019, 2020
System Software Experiment 3 - object-oriented programming (C++)	2017, 2018

## Technical Skills

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**Languages:** C, C++, Java, Python, Kotlin

**Skills:** Linux kernel programming, android kernel programming, FTL programming, performance profiling