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EDUCATION

Indiana University Bloomington (IUB)

Bloomington, IN

Ph.D. in Information Systems Engineering, GPA: 3.8

Aug 2024-Current

- Track: Computer Engineering

- Minor: Computer Science

- Related Coursework:

• HPC

• Graph Analytics • Deep Learning Systems

• Distributed Systems • Engineering Compilers

Grand Valley State University (GVSU)

Allendale, MI

Aug 2020-Apr 2024

B.S. in Computer Science, GPA: 3.9

Minor: MathematicsRelated Coursework:

• Theory of Computation

• Linear Algebra II

• Algorithms Engineering

• Scientific Computing - Independent Study

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

• Numerical Analysis

Graduate Research Assistant

Indiana University

Advisor: Dr. Fengguang Song

Error-Bound Lossy Compression for Scientific Data (FZ)

Aug 2024-Current

- FZModules: A modular compression framework for heterogeneous error-bounded lossy compression of scientific data. https://github.com/szcompressor/FZModules. Primary developer.
- Working on lossy error-bounded compression for scientific applications such as Advanced Photon Source data, creating tooling the further adoption of FZ compressors, and optimizing high-performance data reduction modules.

Summer Undergraduate Research Internship

Sandia National Labs

Advisor: Dr. Oksana Guba

Optimizing the E3SM Climate Model

May 2024–Aug 2024

- HPC internship at a Department of Energy National Lab. Achieved through a Sustainable Horizons Institute workshop.
- Worked towards understanding redundant solves in the world class E3SM climate model, helping maximize its
 potential for exascale applications.

Undergraduate Researcher

Applied Computing Institute (GVSU)

Advisors: Dr. Zachary DeBruine & Dr. Erin Carrier

IVSparse - Sparse Data Compression Library

Aug 2022–May 2024

- Created two proprietary compression formats which leverage present redundancy in data to allow for usable compressed data with a limited performance loss.
- Involved work in high performance computing (HPC), data compression, and data structure design.

Probabilistic Modeling of Genomics Data with Variational Autoencoders

Sep 2023-Jan 2024

- Aims to train a variational autoencoder on genetic data to help predict patient risk based on genetic factors.

PUBLICATIONS

• [BigData '24] Seth Wolfgang, Skyler Ruiter, Marc Tunnell, Timothy Triche Jr, Erin Carrier, Zachary DeBruine. "Value-Compressed Sparse Column (VCSC): Sparse Matrix Storage for Single-cell Omics Data." 2024 IEEE International Conference on Big Data (BigData). Washington D.C., December 15-18.

Extracurricular Activities

GVSU Computing Club President

Spring 2021–Spring 2024

- Worked to bring up a new generation of club leadership before graduation.
- Networked with companies, brought in many professors and researchers, and ran events and meetings regularly.
- Mentored numerous other undergraduate students, helping achieve internships, begin research positions, and plan their educational and career goals.

Dean's Student Advisory Council

Spring 2022–Spring 2024

 Advised the dean of the Padnos College of Engineering and Computing with a small collection of other students from different disciplines.

International Collegiate Programming Contest

Spring & Fall 2023

Volunteered during contest preparations and competed in event.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

• Luddy Doctoral AI Fellowship Fall 2024

• Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internships (SULI) Award

Summer 2024

• P. Douglas Kindschi Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Spring 2024

Research Interests

High Performance Computing

• Data Compression

• Scientific Computing

• Sparse Data

TOOLING

• Languages: C/C++, Python, Fortran, R, Rust

• GPU Programming: CUDA, NCCL

• HPC Tooling: OpenMP, MPI

• Performance Portability: Kokkos, CUDASTF

Presentations

• (FZ GPU Module Library) FZ ZF Joint Workshop at Sarasota	Spring 2025
• (IVSparse) IEEE BigData HPC-BOD Workshop Presentation	Fall 2024
• (IVSparse) IEEE Data Compression Conference Technical Presentation	Spring 2024
• (IVSparse) GVSU School of Computing Seminar Series	Spring 2024
• (IVSparse/Genomic Modeling) GVSU Undergraduate Research Fair	Fall 2023
• (IVSparse) Grand Rapids Tech Week: Engineering and Computing Showcase	Fall 2023
• (IVSparse) Grand Valley State University Student Scholar's Day	Spring 2023