Snehasish Kumar

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Education

05/2013 - Present PhD in Computing Science, Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, Canada, 4.0/4.0.

Senior Supervisor: Dr. Arrvindh Shriraman

The objective of my research is to facilitate energy efficient computation using hardware accelerators via a two pronged approach. The first, hardware-centric approach explores novel microarchitecture closely coupled with the cache memory hierarchy to offload computation. The second, software-centric approach uses static program analyses to deduce which parts of a given program are amenable to hardware acceleration. Together these approaches indicate the potential sources and benefits of using hardware accelerated computation.

01/2011 - 04/2013 MSc in Computing Science, Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, Canada, 3.8/4.0.

Senior Supervisor: Dr. Arrvindh Shriraman

A novel microarchitecture was proposed which incorporated adaptive granularity cache lines for memory hierarchies to eliminate bandwidth and energy waste. The system varies the cache line size dynamically based on the nature of the application to only bring in useful data. This increases cache utilisation and improves miss rate by increasing the effective cache size. This work has been peer reviewed and presented at the IEEE International Symposium of Microarchitecutre (2012). A continuation of this research led to the design of a coherence protocol which adaptively changes the storage and coherence granularity in order to increase efficiency and reduce energy consumption. This work was presented at the ACM/IEEE International Symposium on Computer Architecture (2013).

08/2006 - 04/2010 B. Tech in Computer Engineering, Biju Patnaik University of Technology, Orissa, India, 8.3/10.0.

Supervisor: Dr. Satyananda Champati Rai

I was responsible for the design and implementation of a constrained vector genetic algorithm to solve the problem of selecting an optimal borrowing scheme for the channel allocation problem in wireless mobile networks.

Publications

2014 SQRL: Hardware accelerator for collecting software data structures,

Snehasish Kumar, Arrvindh Shriraman, Vijayalakshmi Srinivasan, Dan Lin, and Jordon Phillips, In Proceedings of the 23rd International Conference on Parallel Architectures and Compilation Techniques, PACT 2014.

2013 Protozoa: Adaptive Granularity Cache Coherence,

Hongzhou Zhao, Arrvindh Shriraman, Snehasish Kumar, and Sandhya Dwarkadas, In Proceedings of the 40th Annual International Symposium on Computer Architecture, ISCA 2013, pages 547–558.

Architectural Support for a Variable Granularity Cache Memory System, Snehasish Kumar, MSc Thesis.

2012 Amoeba-Cache: Adaptive Blocks for Eliminating Waste in the Memory Hierarchy,

Snehasish Kumar, Hongzhou Zhao, Arrvindh Shriraman, Eric Matthews, Sandhya Dwarkadas, and Lesley Shannon, In Proceedings of the 2012 45th Annual IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Microarchitecture, IEEE MICRO 2012, pages 376-388.

2011 MiCi: A Novel Micro-Level Temporal Channel Imploration for Mobile Hosts,

Snehasish Kumar, Satyananda Champati Rai, Rajib Mall, and Sateesh Kumar Pradhan, CoRR, abs/1104.4204.

Awards

08/2014 Graduate Fellowship, Simon Fraser University

01/2014 Special Graduate Entrance Scholarship, Simon Fraser University

01/2012 Graduate Fellowship, Simon Fraser University

Projects

04/2014 Optimizing the Bitpar CKY parser

Mentor: Dr. Anoop Sarkar, Natural Language Lab, SFU

12/2011 Interactive demo for the Linear Cell Complex (Computational Geometry Algorithms Library)

Mentor: Dr. Guillaume Damiand, CNRS at LIRIS, Universitè Claude Bernard

04/2011 Non-Negative Matrix Factorisation for very large datasets Mentor: Dr. Oliver Schulte, Computational Logic Group, SFU

Work Experience

06/2013 - 12/2013 Research Intern: Systems Technology and Architecture

IBM, T.J. Watson Research Centre Mentor: Dr. Vijayalakshmi Srinivasan

2011 - 2014 Research Assistant : SYNAR Group, Simon Fraser University

2011, 2013 Teaching Assistant: CMPT 880, 120, 165, 300

Technical Skills

Languages C, C++, Java, Python, Matlab, PHP, SQL, Javascript, HTML

Simulators Multifacet GEMS(Ruby), MacSim

Leadership

05/2012 - 03/2013 Councillor, Graduate Student Society, Simon Fraser University

11/2008 - 07/2010 Microsoft Student Partner

09/2009 - 07/2010 Treasurer, IEEE Student Chapter

Languages

English Proficient

Hindi Proficient

Bengali Spoken