Wonbae Kim

Curriculum Vitae

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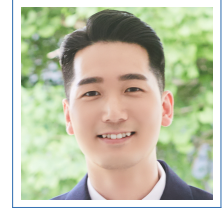
Passionate about learning new things and developing innovative technologies.

Research Interests

- Big Data Systems
- Database Systems
- Distributed Systems
- Parallel Computing
- Machine Learning & Deep Learning
- Persistent Memory

Education

Mar 2017 – Feb 2023 (Expected) — **Ph.D. in Computer Science and Engineering**, *Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST)*, Ulsan, Korea, (Co-advisor: Prof. Young-ri Choi and Prof. Beomseok Nam)

February 2017 — **Master of Engineering in Computer Science**, *Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST)*, Ulsan, Korea

February 2014 — **Bachelor's degree in Computer Science and Engineering**, *Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST)*, Ulsan, Korea

Publications

July 2022 — **Wonbae Kim**, Chanyeol Park, Dongui Kim, Hyeongjun Park, Young-ri Choi, Alan Sussman, Beomseok Nam. "ListDB: Union of Write-Ahead Logs and SkipLists for Incremental Checkpointing on Persistent Memory." In *16th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI 2022)*, Carlsbad, CA, USA

May 2022 — Sunghwan Ahn, Hyeongjun Park, Vicente Adolfo Bolea Sanchez, Deukyeon Hwang, **Wonbae Kim**, Alan Sussman, and Beomseok Nam. "VeloxDFS: Streaming Access to Distributed Datasets to Reduce Disk Seeks." In *22nd IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Cluster, Cloud and Internet Computing (CCGrid 2022)*, Taormina, Italy

April 2022 — Jonghyeon Yoo, Hokeun Cha, **Wonbae Kim**, Wook-Hee Kim, Sung-Soon Park, and Beomseok Nam. "Pivotal B+tree for Byte-Addressable Persistent Memory." *IEEE Access* 10

October 2020 — Soojeong Cho, **Wonbae Kim**, Sehyeon Oh, Changdae Kim, Kwangwon Koh, and Beomseok Nam. "Failure-Atomic Byte-Addressable R-tree for Persistent Memory." *IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems* 32

September 2017	Vicente Adolfo Bolea Sanchez, **Wonbae Kim**, Youngmoon Eom, Kibeom Jin, Moohyeon Nam, Deukyeon Hwang, Jik-Soo Kim, and Beomseok Nam. "EclipseMR: Distributed and Parallel Task Processing with Consistent Hashing." In *IEEE International Conference on Cluster Computing (CLUSTER 2017)*, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
June 2017	**Wonbae Kim**, Young-ri Choi, and Beomseok Nam. "Coalescing HDFS Blocks to Avoid Recurring YARN Container Overhead." In *IEEE 10th International Conference on Cloud Computing (CLOUD 2017)*, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
May 2017	**Wonbae Kim**, Young-ri Choi and Beomseok Nam. "Mitigating YARN Container Overhead with Input Splits." In *17th IEEE/ACM International Symposium on Cluster, Cloud and Grid Computing (CCGrid 2017)*, Madrid, Spain

Experience

Jan 2018 – Jun 2018	**Intern**, *BrightEdge*, Foster City, CA, USA BrightEdge is a software company that serves search engine opimization solution. I worked on improving the scalability of the framework that collects and processes keyword search data used by the company.
Spring 2013 – Present	**Research Assistant**, *Data Intensive Computing Lab. (DICL), SKKU*, Suwon, Korea ○ Worked on a distributed semantic caching framework for MapReduce ○ Worked on reducing container initialization overhead of Hadoop YARN ○ Worked on improving the performance of distributed runtime of Tensorflow ○ Working on exploiting persistent memory for index structures and key-value stores.
Dec 2015 – Feb 2016	**Visiting Student (Prof. Ikhlaq Sidhu)**, *University of California Berkeley*, Berkeley, CA, USA
Spring 2014	**Teaching Assistant**, *Engineering Programming Course, UNIST*, Ulsan, Korea Basic C++ programming course for freshmen.

Research Projects

2019 – present	**Main Contributor**, *ListDB Key-Value Store*, https://github.com/DICL/listdb ListDB is an LSM tree-based key-value store optimized for persistent memory. As the first author, I contributed most of the design and implementation of ListDB. ListDB's paper was published at OSDI '22.
2016 – 2020	**Main Contributor**, *PTRE Distributed Training Framework*, https://github.com/DICL/ptre PTRE is a distributed training runtime for Tensorflow. PTRE uses peer-to-peer based asynchronous communication and RDMA technology for data synchronization. I contributed most of the design and implementation of PTRE.

2016 – 2020   **Student Researcher**, *National Project for High-Performance Distributed Deep Learning*

This project is a nation-wide project that many research labs in Korea participate in. This project covers various fields ranging from machine learning applications to system-level research for distributed model training. I worked on an asynchronous decentralized approach using RDMA to solve the network communication overhead of distributed training in Tensorflow.
- National R&D achievements: SW registration number C-2021-021832

2014 – 2021   **Contributor**, *Velox Bigdata Framework*, https://github.com/DICL/VeloxMR

Velox is a decentralized big data processing framework implemented in C++, consisting of distributed file systems, in-memory caches, MapReduce and SQL engine. I worked on implementing MapReduce engine.

Honors and Awards

July 2022   **Student Grant Award** - **OSDI 2022**

June 2017   **Best Student Paper Award** - **IEEE CLOUD 2017**

Technical and Personal Skills

- **Programming Languages:** C, C++, Java, Python, Shell
- **System Software/Frameworks/Libraries:** Linux, RocksDB, Tensorflow, Hadoop, Spark, HBase, CUDA, MPI, RDMA, GRPC, Protocol Buffers, PMDK
- **Other:** git, Tex, vim, gnuplot, gcc, CMake, Maven, bazel

References

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