

Al Processor Design Proposal

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- Objective
 - Design your own Al accelerator
 - Not necessarily what you will implement in the final project
 - Be creative while keep it realistic
- This is a team project
 - Max 5 person/teams
 - We will draw lots by group on 4/16 to determine the order for deciding presentation dates.
 - Please group up team before then.
- Proposal Presentation
 - 5/7 and 5/14
 - 15 mins presentation + 5 mins QA
 - In-person presentation
 - Upload your slide to Moodle before your presentation date

Grading



- Presentation
 - 25%
- Architecture Completeness
 - 25%
- Analysis
 - 25%
- Innovation
 - 25%

Design Content



- Design your own accelerator from different perspective
 - Architecture
 - Memory hierarchy
 - Network on Chip
 - Dataflow
 - Mapping optimization
 - Data preparation
 - Supported operations
- Detail analytical report of your design is highly recommended
 - Roofline model
 - Bandwidth requirement
 - Peak performance
 - Utilization rate of different operation
 - DRAM access frequency
 - SRAM size
 - Energy consumption/power efficiency

Design Principle



- Design proposal is free of format
- But the following question guide you through the design phase
 - What is the target **operations** you are accelerating?
 - What is the basis of your design?
 - What are your innovation from the basis?
 - What is your proposed design?
 - How do you evaluate your design?
 - What is your analysis of your design?
 - What is the **bottleneck** of your design?
 - What questions are you left with?