Genghan Zhang

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EDUCATION

Stanford University

PhD Student in Computer Science

• Research Interests: Domain-specific compiler and computer architecture

September 2023 - Present Stanford, USA

Tsinghua University

Bachelor of Engineer in Electronic Information Science and Technology

August 2019 - June 2023 Beijing, China

• GPA: 3.94/4.00 (Top 3%)

Research Experience

Research Assistant Department of Computer Science, Stanford University April 2024 - Present

Stanford, CA

• Advisor: Prof. Kunle Olukotun

Working on using LLM agents to automate high-performance library development.

January 2024 - March 2024

Stanford, CA

Research Assistant

Department of Computer Science, Stanford University

Advisor: Prof. Azalia Mirhoseini
Proposed GPU kernel fusion techniques to accelerate FFN layers for LLM inference by utilizing the sparsity of activation. Accepted by COLM 2024

Research Assistant

March 2022 - December 2023

Department of Computer Science, Stanford University

• Advisor: Prof. Fredrik Kjølstad

• Designed an algorithm template and code generation algorithm for sparse workspace to solve the sparse scattering problem with a sparse tensor algebra compiler called TACO. Accepted by PLDI 2024.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

August 2021 - July 2022

Nanoscale Integrated Circuits and Systems Lab (NICS), Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

• Advisors: Prof. Yu Wang, Prof. Guohao Dai (SJTU) and Prof. Sitao Huang (UC Irvine)

• Proposed atomic parallelism, a new optimization space for sparse-dense hybrid algebra and segment group, a new abstraction for sparse compilation theory based on atomic parallelism. Accepted by CCF Transactions on High Performance Computing.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

• Adaptive Self-improvement LLM Agentic System for ML Library Development Genghan Zhang, Weixin Liang, Olivia Hsu, Kunle Olukotun. International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), 2025

• Compilation of Modular and General Sparse Workspaces

Genghan Zhang, Olivia Hsu, Fredrik Kjolstad.

Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI), 2024

• CATS: Context-Aware Thresholding for Sparsity in Large Language Models Donghyun Lee, Jaeyong Lee, Genghan Zhang, Mo Tiwari, Azalia Mirhoseini.

Conference on Language Modeling (COLM), 2024

Sgap: Towards Efficient Sparse Tensor Algebra Compilation for GPU

Genghan Zhang, Yuetong Zhao, Yanting Tao, Zhongming Yu, Guohao Dai, Sitao Huang, Yuan Wen, Pavlos Petoumenos, Yu Wang. CCF Transactions on High Performance Computing, 2023

SERVICE

• Reviewer: ICML 2025, ICLR 2025 (Notable Reviewer), NeurIPS 2024, ICLR 2025 DL4C Workshop, NeurIPS 2024 Sys2-Reasoning Workshop, NeurIPS 2022 GLFrontiers Workshop

• Artifact Evaluation Committee: ASPLOS 2025 summer, PLDI 2025

• Program Committee: LATTE 2025

Work Experience

Software Engineer NVIDIA

June 2024 - September 2024 Santa Clara, USA

Mentor: Andrew Kerr

• Compiler for Tile IR

Part-time Research Assistant Infinigence Tech

May 2023 - July 2023 Beijing, China

• Mentor: Prof. Xiuhong Li (PKU)

Assembled an in-house GPU kernel library for LLM inference which demos the company's first-generation product.

October 2022 - November 2022 Beijing, China

Part-time Research Assistant HPC-AI Tech • Mentor: Prof. Yang You (NUS)

• Developed novel automatic parallelization techniques for gaint deep learning models.

Honors and Awards

Awards in Tsinghua University

• Academic Excellence Award 2020, 2021, Excellence Award 2022