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EDUCATION

- PhD in Computer Science** 2021-Present
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
ADVISOR: Prof. Sarita Adve
AREA OF INTEREST: Machine Learning and Computer Architecture, MLSys
GPA: 3.83/4
- M.Tech in Computer Science** 2015-2017
National Institute Of Technology, Rourkela
ADVISORS: Prof. Bansidhar Majhi (NIT Rourkela), Mr. Tarjinder Singh (Intel)
GPA: 9.69/10
- B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering** 2010-2014
College Of Engineering and Technology, Bhubaneswar
GPA: 8.85/10

PUBLICATIONS

Mishra, B. and Chakraborty, D. and Makkadayil, S. and Patil, S. D. and Nallani, B. *Hardware Acceleration of Computer Vision and Deep Learning Algorithms on the Edge using OpenCL*, appeared in the Proceedings of EAI Endorsed Transactions on Cloud Systems, 2019 [\[Paper\]](#)

PATENT APPLICATIONS

- Singh, T., Sridhar, S. R., Sumiran, R., Mishra, B., Makkadayil, S., Thyagarajan, V., and Baireddy, V., Intel Corp, 2022. *Graph Reordering and Tiling Techniques*. U.S. Patent Application No. [17/533,976](#)
- Makkadayil, S., Paul, S., Saifee, S., Mishra, B., Thyagarajan, V., Velayudha, M., Khellah, M. and Udofia, A., Intel Corp, 2021. *Parallel pruning and batch sorting for similarity search accelerators*. U.S. Patent Application [17/358,495](#)
- Boschi, G., Makkadayil, S., Manjunath, R., Mishra, B. and Campinoti, A., Intel Corp, 2021. *Register fault detector*. U.S. Patent Application [17/353,848](#)

RESEARCH

- Evaluation of Spandex Coherence Protocol** August 2021 – Present
- Advised by Prof. Sarita Adve
 - Converted Mini-Era workload to baremetal for evaluation on Xilinx FPGA using ESP workflow
 - Implemented sensor-simulation in cpu tiles
 - Collected performance numbers from multiple iterations of design optimization
 - Currently working on evaluating performance on workloads having tiled data movement

PROJECTS

Real-Time Barcode Localization and Detection on Edge Devices

- Industrial problem which required decoding barcode on fast moving objects from camera feed
- Created custom accelerator for the algorithm bottleneck, Barcode localization, using OpenCL HLS
- Highly pipelined architecture leveraging data redundancy in algorithm
- Improved performance from 19 FPS to 104 FPS on 2MP video to satisfy industrial constraints
- Paper accepted at Intel Design and Test Technology Conference (DTTC), 2019

Real-Time Optical Character Recognition on Edge Devices

- Created CNN topology and trained on in-house character image dataset
- Created OpenCL based FPGA accelerator having parallel convolution engines and buffered partial results
- Accelerator improved performance from detected 250 characters at 10 FPS to 50 FPS from 2MP video
- Presented live demo at Intel DTTC, Portland, OR, 2019
- Paper presented at IEEE WinTechCon, Bangalore, India, 2019

Hardware Design for Functional Safety IP

- Learnt traditional HW design using RTL to implement Fault Detector module for Functional Safety (FuSa)
- Went through High Level as well as Micro Architecture Specifications for designing hardware
- The IP achieved ISO26262 certification for Functional Safety
- Paper on our work was accepted at Intel DTTC 2019

System on Chip (SoC) for CV/ML Acceleration

- Modelled SoC on Hybrid-FPGA platform after reviewing internal and third party architecture specifications
- Booted OS on H-FPGA platform successfully and enabled early FW and SW development
- Found critical bug in bootloader code impacting secure boot
- Co-architected an accelerator IP to handle similarity search workloads in the SOC for machine learning

Real-Time Pedestrian Detection System Using OpenCL-Based FPGA Acceleration

- Created a custom architecture for computer vision based Pedestrian Detection system for Master's research
- Deep-dived into FPGA OpenCL compiler optimization issues and found impactful solutions
- Independently improved initial design to give 3x performance while reducing area by 10x

Context-Aware Voice Assistant

- Created an always on, context-aware NLP agent to offer recommendations instead of executing commands
- Trained Bi-LSTM based SLU algorithm to understand context over conversations and multiple sentences
- Used Mycroft framework to create end-to-end Voice Assistant as proof of concept

SELECT AWARDS AND HONORS

- Best Paper in Track Award, Intel HSPE TechCon 2021 2021
- Multiple Intel Division and Department Recognition Awards (2017-2021) 2021
- 2nd Runners' Up in Intel India WIN Hackathon 2017
- 2nd rank holder in CS Department (out of ~110 students) at NIT Rourkela 2017
- CET Merit Scholarship (Undergrad scholarship 2010-2014) 2010
- Selected for National Talent Search Examination Scholarship 2008
- Rajiv Gandhi Chhatra Pratiba Award for securing 8th rank in State, Xth CBSE Boards 2008

WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant	May 2022 – Present
Workload analysis on heterogeneous platforms	<i>University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign</i>
Graduate Teaching Assistant	August 2021 – May 2022
CS 233 Computer Architecture, CS 225 Data Structures	<i>University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign</i>
Design Engineer	June 2017 – August 2021
Analysis and acceleration of Machine Learning Algorithms	<i>Intel Corporation, Bangalore</i>
Graduate Technical Intern	May 2016 – May 2017
Acceleration of Pedestrian Detection and other ADAS Algorithms	<i>Intel Corporation, Bangalore</i>
Assistant System Engineer	June 2014 – July 2015
Development of E-Municipality portal	<i>Tata Consultancy Services, Bhubaneswar</i>
Summer Intern	June 2013 – August 2013
Prototype modules for E-Municipality portal	<i>Tata Consultancy Services, Bhubaneswar</i>

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programming/Scripting Languages** C/C++, Python, Shell Scripting, Java, C#, MATLAB, OpenCL
- **Tools** Quartus, Design Compiler, Eclipse
- **Databases** Oracle 10g, SQL Server

VOLUNTEERING AND SERVICE

- Named one of Top 50 Volunteers in Intel India 2020
- Regularly volunteer to conduct **music therapy** at a **Cancer Hospice**, Karunashraya 2018 - 2021
- Won an Intel Seed Grant and oversaw renovation of **nurses' dining hall** at Karunashraya 2019
- During undergrad, co-founded the student e-zine **CET Rising**, and served as **Chief Editor** 2013 - 2014