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SUMMARY

- Expertise in HW-SW co-design for machine learning and computer vision workloads including generative AI.
- Expertise in machine learning workloads such as Vision transformers, LLMs and LVMs.
- Can work as an independent contributor developing system designs for ML, architecting HW systems for ML, or managing the super engineers/researchers to get challenging projects completed.
- Expertise in camera systems (HW/SW from image acquisition to image processing pipeline), Machine/Deep Learning
- Designed low-power computer vision algorithms in hardware (FPGA) acceleration and optimized in software.
- Published, patented in top tier conferences (HW conferences: FPGA, FCCM, DAC, Computer vision: ICCV, CVPR, BMBC, Neurips)
- Developed deep Learning systems (end-to-end). Deep knowledge of SW/HW optimization of vision algorithms, camera systems, Machine Learning, and 3D computer vision.
- Provided technical leadership roles in my current and previous roles and mentored senior and junior engineers.
- Demonstrated ability to identify and focus on the technologies that make differences in real products.

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, CA, USA

Ph.D. in Computer Science, March 2015

Advisor: Prof. Ryan Kastner

Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (ICU), Daejeon, S. Korea

M.S. in Computer Science, 2007

Advisor: Prof. Dong-Soo Han

Mongolian University of Science and Technology, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

B.S. in Computer Science, 2004

COMPUTER SKILLS

Programming: Python, C, C++

Deep Learning systems: TVM, PyTorch, MLIR (limited exposure)

Parallel Programming: OpenCL (Limited exposure), CUDA

Hardware: High-Level Synthesis (HLS), VHDL/Verilog(limited exposure), FPGA design, GPU, Xilinx/Altera tools, Modelsim

Tools: Git, Continuous Integration, LLVM (Limited exposure), OpenCV, MATLAB, Latex, Valgrind, Clang

Systems/Protocols: Embedded Linux Development with Yocto, Working knowledge of PCIe, AXI, SPI, IIC

EXPERIENCE

Senior Staff Engineer

Sep 2019 to date

Qualcomm AI Research

- Delivered research on HW-SW co-design of deep learning for low-power devices and camera ISP. This project leads to starting of an R&D effort that facilitates HW-SW co-design project for machine learning and computer vision across departments.
- Initiated and lead an R&D for the design and implementation of 3D computer vision on edge devices. Successfully delivered Neurips 2021 demo.

- Established R&D collaboration effort between Qualcomm AI with Universities (3D with UCSD, HW-SW co-design with Cornell). These collaborations resulted in multiple successful publications /demos in CVPR/ BMVC/ NeurIPS , and resulted in the hiring of top-performing interns.
- Leading an R&D effort that facilitates machine learning compiler design for embedded systems
- Delivered design and implementation of machine learning compiler pass for conditional compute

Lecturer

Fall 2022

Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego

- Lecturing for FPGA design with High-Level Synthesis
- Developed labs and lead the discussion for embedded systems labs

Lecturer

Summer 2021

Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego

- Lecturing for software for embedded systems class
- Developed labs and lead the discussion for embedded systems labs

Principal Software Engineer

Feb 2018 to Aug 2019

Advanced R & D Product Development team at Cognex Corporation

- Design and implementation of high-performance (quantized) neural network on an FPGA
- Design and implementation of high-performance computer vision systems
- Leading an R&D effort that facilitates collaboration between University and Cognex.
- Design of SW/HW co-design systems for vision algorithms.

Senior Software Engineer

March 2015 to Feb 2018

Advanced R & D Product Development team at Cognex Corporation

Assistant Adjunct Professor

March 2017 to Oct 2017

Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego

Lecturer

Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016

Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego

Graduate Student Researcher

September 2009 to 2015

Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego

Research Intern

June 2013 to September 2013

Microsoft Research, Redmond, WA

- Designed canonical Huffman encoding on an FPGA

Research Intern

July 2011 to October 2011

Xilinx Research Lab, Dublin, Ireland

- Designed Viola and Jones based face detection system on an FPGA

Researcher

February 2007 to April 2009

Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute, Daejeon, S. Korea

- Research and development focusing on networked robotics.

Graduate Student Researcher

February 2005 to February 2007

Samsung-ICU Joint Research Center, Daejeon, S. Korea

- Helped in development of stress prediction model for the mobile u-health phone

Software Engineer

January 2003 to February 2014 Feb

Starsoft, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

- Developed an application for the University Administration.

TEACHING

1. Fall 2015, WES 237C - Hardware for Wireless Embedded Systems
2. Spring 2016, CSE 291 - Embedded Image Processing using FPGAs

TEACHING ASSITANTSHIPS

1. Winter 2011, CSE 30 - Computer Organization and Systems Programming
2. Fall 2012, WES 237C - Hardware for Wireless Embedded Systems
3. Spring 2013, WES 207 - Capstone Project
4. Fall 2013, WES 237C - Hardware for Wireless Embedded Systems
5. Winter 2014, WES 237A - Introduction to Wireless Embedded Systems Design
6. Fall 2014, WES 237C - Hardware for Wireless Embedded Systems

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

1. Reviews
 - Journal reviewer: Embedded Systems Letters, International Journal of Reconfigurable Computing
 - External reviewer: ICCD 2011, FPL 2011, FPL 2013, FPL 2014, ASAP 2014
2. Invited Participants
 - Amazon Research Symposium, Seattle, WA 2014
 - Latin American eScience Workshop, Sao Paulo, Brazil 2013
 - Astana start-up weekend, Astana, Kazakhstan, 2012

PUBLICATIONS *Theses:*

1. **J. Matai** , “Templates and Patterns: Augmenting High-Level Synthesis for Domain-Specific Computing,” *PhD Thesis, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego*, March 2015.

Books:

1. R. Kastner, **J. Matai** S. Neuendorffer, “Parallel Programming for FPGAs,” <http://hls.ucsd.edu/>

Journals:

1. A. Irturk, **J. Matai**, J. Oberg, J. Su, R. Kastner, “Simulate and Eliminate: A Top-to-Bottom Design Methodology for Automatic Generation of Application Specific Architectures,” *IEEE Transactions on Computer-Aided Design of Integrated Circuits and Systems*, vol. 30, issue 8, August 2011
2. HM. Do, **J. Matai**, YH. Suh, YS. Kim, BK. Kim, HS. Kim, T. Tanikawa, K. Ohba, JY. Lee and W. Yu, “Connection Framework of RT-Middleware and CAMUS for Maintaining Ubiquity between Two Ubiquitous Robot Spaces,” *Advanced Robotics*, vol. 23, issue 12, 2009.

Peer-Reviewed Conference and Workshop Publications:

1. L. Wu, R. Zhu, M. Yaldiz, Y. Zhu, H. Cai, **J. Matai**, F. Porikli, T. Li, M. Chandraker, R. Ramamoorthi , “ Factorized Inverse Path Tracing for Efficient and Accurate Material-Lighting Estimation,” *International Conference on Computer Vision, ICCV 2023*
2. R. Huang, Z. Yue, C. Huang, **J. Matai**, Z. Zhang, “ Performance Analysis of Binary Neural Networks Deployed in NVM Crossbar Architectures,” *Fourth Workshop on Benchmarking Machine Learning Workloads on Emerging Hardware, MLsys 2023*
3. S Kinzer, S Ghodrati, R Mahapatra, BH Ahn, E Mascarenhas, X Li, **J Matai**, L. Zhang, H. Esmailzadeh, “ Restoring the Broken Covenant Between Compilers and Deep Learning Accelerators,” *Archive 2023*
4. R. Zhu, Z. Li, **J. Matai**, F. Porikli, M. Chandraker “ IRISformer: Dense Vision Transformers for Single-Image Inverse Rendering in Indoor Scenes,” *Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR 2022)*

5. C. Hong, **J. Matai**, S. Borse, Y. Zhang, A. Ansari, F. Porikli, "X-Distill: Improving Self-Supervised Monocular Depth via Cross-Task Distillation," *The British Machine Vision Conference (BMVC)*, Nov 2021
6. **J. Matai**, D. Richmond, D. Lee, Z. Blair, Q. Wu, A. Abazari and R. Kastner, "Resolve: Computer Generation of High-Performance Sorting Architectures from High-Level Synthesis," *International Symposium on Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGA)*, February 2016 - **Acceptance Rate 20/105 = 19%**
7. **J. Matai**, D. Lee, A. Althoff and R. Kastner, "Composable, Parameterizable Templates for High Level Synthesis," *Design Automation and Test in Europe (DATE)*, March 2016 - **Acceptance Rate 199/829 = 24%**
8. B. Mao, W. Hu, A. Althoff, **J. Matai**, J. Valamehr, T. Sherwood, D. Mu, and R. Kastner, "Quantifying Timing-Based Information Flow in Cryptographic Hardware," *IEEE/ACM International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD)*-accepted
9. Q. Gautier, A. Shearer, **J. Matai**, D. Richmond, P. Meng and R. Kastner, "Real-time 3D Reconstruction for FPGAs: A Case Study for Evaluating the Performance, Area, and Programmability Trade Offs of the Altera OpenCL SDK," *International Conference on Field-Programmable Technology*, December 2014
10. **J. Matai**, D. Richmond, D. Lee and R. Kastner, "Enabling FPGAs for the Masses," *First International Workshop on FPGAs for Software Programmers*, September 2014.
11. D. Lee, **J. Matai**, B. Weals and R. Kastner, "High Throughput Channel Tracking for JTRS Wireless Channel Emulation," 24th *International Conference on Field Programmable Logic and Applications*, September 2014
12. **J. Matai**, JY. Kim and R. Kastner, "Energy Efficient Canonical Huffman Encoding," 25th *IEEE International Conference on Application-specific Systems, Architectures and Processors*, June 2014 - **Acceptance Rate 22/85 = 25.9%**.
13. M. Kimura, **J. Matai**, M. Jacobsen and R. Kastner, "A Low-Power AdaBoost-Based Object Detection Processor Using Haar-Like Features," *IEEE International Conference on Consumer Electronics*, September 2013.
14. **J. Matai**, P. Meng, L. Wu, B. Weals and R. Kastner, "Designing a Hardware in the Loop Wireless Digital Channel Emulator for Software Defined Radio," 11th *International Conference on Field-Programmable Technology*, December 2012 - **Acceptance Rate 24/114 = 21%**
15. **J. Matai**, J. Oberg, A. Irturk, T. Kim and R. Kastner, "Trimmed VLIW: Moving Application Specific Processors Towards High Level Synthesis," *The Electronic System Level Synthesis Conference*, June 2012.
16. **J. Matai**, A. Irturk and R. Kastner, "Design and Implementation of an FPGA-based Real-Time Face Recognition System," *IEEE 19th Annual International Symposium on Field-Programmable Custom Computing Machines*, May 2011 - **Acceptance Rate: 42/119 = 35.3%**
17. HM. Do, **J. Matai**, YH. Suh, YS. Kim, BK. Kim, HS. Kim, T. Tanikawa, K. Ohba, JY. Lee and W. Yu, "Connection methodology for two ubiquitous robot spaces - connection of RT-Middleware and CAMUS," *IEEE/ASME International Conference on Advanced Intelligent Mechatronics*, July 2008.
18. DS. Han, JS. Song, **J. Matai** and MK. Lee, "Stress Prediction System for Mobile U-health," 9th *International Conference on e-Health Networking, Applications and Services*, June 2007.
19. **J. Matai** and DS. Han, "Learning-Based Trust Model for Optimization of Selecting Web Services," 9th *Asia-Pacific Web Conference*, May 2007.

INTERESTS

Swimming, table tennis and soccer