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# RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research is centered around improving and replacing the state-of-the-art software-based systems by emerging heterogeneous hardware. To be more specific, I am exploring how reconfigurable hardware (FP-GAs) can be applied and deployed in data centers efficiently. Such research ranges from application-specific designs such as recommendation systems and information retrieval systems to infrastructure development such as distributed frameworks and virtualization on the cloud.

# **EDUCATION**

# ETH Zurich, Switzerland

2021~Now

PhD in Computer Science

Affiliated with the Systems Group

Concentration in FPGAs for Data Centers

Advisor: Prof. Gustavo Alonso

#### Columbia University, USA

2018~2020

Master in Electrical Engineering

Concentration in Data-Driven Analysis and Computation

Advisor: Prof. Luca Carloni Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0 (top 5%)

# Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China

2014~2018

Bachelor in Automation

Concentration in Pattern Recognition

Overall GPA: 3.7/4.0

#### Professional Appointments

#### Alibaba Cloud

Sep. 2019 ~ Dec. 2019

Database Development Intern

Shenzhen, China

I was responsible to develop the high-availability module for ADB-V, a vector similarity search engine (also known as vector database) developed by Alibaba.

# **AWARDS AND HONORS**

the Master's Award of Excellence (top 5%), Columbia University	2021
the Master's Research Award, Columbia University	2021
Outstanding Gradutate, HUST	2018
Scholarship for Excellent Academic Performance, HUST	2015

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- [1] Wenqi Jiang\*, Zhenhao He\*, Shuai Zhang, Kai Zeng, Liang Feng, Jiansong Zhang, Tongxuan Liu, Yong Li, Jingren Zhou, Ce Zhang, Gustavo Alonso, "FleetRec: Large-Scale Recommendation Inference on Hybrid GPU-FPGA Clusters." *Proceedings of the 27th ACM SIGKDD International Conference on Knowledge Discovery & Data Mining (KDD 2021)*, August 14-18, virtual, 2021.
- [2] Yu Zhu, Zhenhao He, **Wenqi Jiang**, Kai Zeng, Jingren Zhou, Gustavo Alonso, "Distributed Recommendation Inference on FPGA Clusters." *31th International Conference on Field-Programmable Logic and Applications (FPL 2021), Virtual, Aug 30 Sep 03, 2021.*
- [3] Wenqi Jiang, Zhenhao He, Shuai Zhang, Thomas B. Preußer, Kai Zeng, Liang Feng, Jiansong Zhang, Tongxuan Liu, Yong Li, Jingren Zhou, Ce Zhang, Gustavo Alonso, "MicroRec: Efficient Recommendation Inference by Hardware and Data Structure Solutions." *Proceedings of the 4th Conference on Machine Learning and Systems (MLSys 2021), Virtual, April 5-9, 2021.*

### **PREPRINTS**

- [1] Shuai Zhang, Yi Tay, **Wenqi Jiang**, Da-cheng Juan, Ce Zhang, "Switch Spaces: Learning Product Spaces with Sparse Gating." *Under Submission*.
- [2] Shaoxiong Ji\*, **Wenqi Jiang**\*, Anwar Walid, Xue Li, "Dynamic Sampling and Selective Masking for Communication-Efficient Federated Learning." *arXiv* preprint, 2020.

# **TALKS**

Efficient Recommendation Inference on Heterogeneous Hardware

ETH Zurich

MicroRec: Efficient Recommendation Inference by Hardware and Data Structure Solutions

MLSys Conference

April 2021

ETH Zurich

June 2020

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

#### Reviewer

IEEE Micro 2021

# RESEARCH MENTORING

# Yu Zhu, M.S., ETH Zurich

Fall 2020 ~ Spring 2021

We wrote the paper *Distributed Recommendation Inference on FPGA Clusters* with Yu as the first author. Co-mentored with Zhenhao He.

# Languages

English: fluent

Mandarin (Chinese): native

German: beginner

# **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: C/C++, Python, OCaml, System Verilog, Matlab, x86 Assembly

Platforms & Frameworks: Vivado HLS, CUDA, OpenCL, OpenCV, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, Spark

Streaming, Apache Beam, MySQL, PostgreSQL

# REFERENCES

Available upon request