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Federated Learning, Distributed System

EDUCATION

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Sep 2023 -

PhD in Electronic and Computer Engineering

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen

2019 - 2023

Bachelor of Engineering in Electrical and Computer Engineer, Stream: Computer Engineering

GPA: 3.75/4.00 (top **10**% in the school)

RESEARCH / INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

FedCampus Platform May 2023 –Sep 2023

- ¹ Research Assistant in Division of Natural and Applied Sciences, Duke Kunshan University
- Conducted private-preserving analysis on sensitive health data with differential privacy.
- Developed a persistent and robust federated learning protocol for cost-efficient cross-device training using Python and TensorFlow Lite.

Differential Private Federated Analytics

May 2022 — Fed 2023

- ² Research Assistant in Shenzhen Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics for Society (AIRS)
- Developed a federated analytics protocol applying on cross-device settings with differential privacy protocol using Python, PyTorch.
- Researched on differential privacy with histogram estimation and heterogeneous data using various algorithms and methods.

FedEdge Platform - A Federated Learning Platform

December 2021 — May 2022

Research Assistant in Network Communication and Economics Laboratory (NCEL)

Shenzhen, China

- Developed a cross-device federated learning platform for research experiments using Python, Java, and C++.
- Managed heterogeneous devices by programming on Android mobiles with *Java*, IoT devices with *C++*, and the server with *Python*

Honors / Awards

Dean's List Award (Awarded to top **20**% at CUHKSZ)

2019 - 2020, 2021, 2022

Academic Performance Scholarship (Awarded to top **10** % at CUHKSZ)

2021 - 2022

Undergraduate Research Awards

— Awarded to undergraduate students dedicated to a self-proposed research program.

Bowen Scholarship (30,000 RMB per year)

2019 - 2020, 2021, 2022

The 2^{nd} Prize of ASC Student Supercomputer Challenge

March 2021

April 2022

- Responsible for using C++ to implement distributed computation to achieve computational speedup.

The 2^{nd} Prize of "Yonyou-Huawei Cloud" 3rd Business Innovative Developer Competition

August, 2021

Responsible for designing the application and leading the development progress to obtain business opportunities.

COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

Distributed and Parallel Computation Course

- Implemented distributed and parallel computing tasks, such as odd-even sort, NBody simulation, and heat simulation, by different parallelizing techniques like MPI, OpenMP, and CUDA.
- Analyzed and optimized experiment results considering computation bottleneck and communication overhead.

Operating System Course

- Modified the loadable kernel module to execute system calls for user process execution using C.
- Simulated virtual memory through implementing the invert page table to transfer virtual address with physical address, and least recent unused (LRU) algorithm to handle page fault/replacement using C++.

Computer Architecture Course.

- Implemented the MIPS simulator to simulate the execution of MIPS program, including encoding MIPS instructions into machine code, managing PC counter, and allocating memory space using **C++**.
- Designed the pipelined CPU using Verilog, pipelining datapath with 5 stages, and handling data hazard and control hazard using **Verilog**.

COMPUTER SKILLS

Tools and Languages

Python, JavaScript, Git, C++

¹Patent: B. Luo, J. Shao, J. Huang, Method and Apparatus for Frequent Items Mining Using Federated Analytics, CN202310365167.7, Mar. 2023, field

²Patent: B. Luo, **J. Shao**, J. Huang, Method and Apparatus for Frequent Data Mining Based on Hierarchical Federated Analytics, CN202310330791.3, Mar. 2023, field