

# Xuehan Zhang

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## EDUCATION

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### BEng Student in Computer Science and Technology

09/2021–now

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

Hefei, China

- School of the Gifted Young (skipped the last two years of high school)
- GPA: 3.90/4.3, Rank: 13/254 (Top 5%)

## CORE COURSES

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Computer Organization and Design (92)

Introduction to Computing Systems A (100)

Analog and Digital Circuits (91)

Syllabus of Digital Logic Lab (95)

Principles and Techniques of Compiler (90)

Data Structures (96)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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### Genuine Computer Architecture for Artificial Intelligence

**Instruction set architecture:** Investigating the development of specialized ISAs that enhance the execution of AI algorithms, while focusing on the balance between general-purpose computing and domain-specific optimizations.

**Microarchitecture (organization):** Exploring the design of microarchitectures that effectively support AI functionality, as well as organization mechanisms customized for the unique demands of neural network computation.

**Hardware:** Analyzing the impact of hardware technologies including GPUs, FPGAs and emerging memory, with a particular interest in the co-design of processors and accelerators that are tailored for AI applications.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Few-Shot Learning with Graph Neural Networks

09/2022–06/2024

Advised by Prof. Xiangnan He, Lab for Data Science, University of Science and Technology of China

Hefei, China

- Implemented and refined advanced GNN models using PyTorch.
- Addressed the cold start problem through original model development and iterative enhancements.
- Explored the integration of NLP-inspired methods in GNNs for temporal graph analysis.

### Prompt for Transfer Learning [code]

07/2023–08/2023

Advised by Prof. Jiawei Zhang, IFM Lab, University of California, Davis

Davis, CA

- Leveraged transfer learning techniques to tune pre-trained GNN models for efficient node classification.
- Implemented custom prompting methods to harmonize feature representation across different graph datasets.
- Devised similarity-based label embedding strategies to align pre-training and downstream tasks.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Teaching Assistant, Function of Complex Variable B

Fall 2023

University of Science and Technology of China

Hefei, China

## SELECTED PROJECTS

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### Computer Organization and Design | Verilog

Spring 2023

- a RISC-V CPU with a five-stage pipeline and branch prediction
- a set-associative cache with LRU replacement policy

### gem5 Benchmark Automation | C++, Python [code] [figures]

Spring 2024

- gem5 simulation automation for benchmarking and performance analysis
- scripting for workload generation, simulation execution, and result visualization

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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**English:** TOEFL iBT 107 (R: 29, L: 30, S: 23, W: 25)

**Languages:** C/C++, Python, Java, Verilog, SQL, Assembly (x86, arm)

**Tools:** Bash, Git, GDB, CUDA, PyTorch, gem5, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X