

# Byungkwon Choi

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

High performance networked systems, cloud computing, and mobile application acceleration

## EDUCATION

**Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)** MAR. 2016 ~ AUG. 2021 (expected)  
Ph.D., in School of Electrical Engineering (Advisor: Prof. Dongsu Han)

**Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST)** MAR. 2014 ~ FEB. 2016  
M.S., in School of Electrical Engineering (Advisor: Prof. Dongsu Han)

**Inha University** FEB. 2007 ~ FEB. 2014  
B.S., in School of Information and Communication Engineering (Ranked first out of 179)

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

**Resource Optimizations for Microservices** JAN. 2019 ~ (present)

Project Goal: optimizing resource usage of microservices

Experiences:

- Optimize resources by applying graph neural network (GNN) and gradient methods
- Experiences on Kubernetes and Docker (composing on-premise clusters)
- Experiences on third-party frameworks for Kubernetes including service mesh (Istio and Linkerd), distributed tracing (Jaeger and Zipkin), metrics (Prometheus and Prometheus adapter), etc
- Implement a Python-based framework and related tools
- Collaborate on a work with co-worker from Toyota
- Serve as a leader in this project

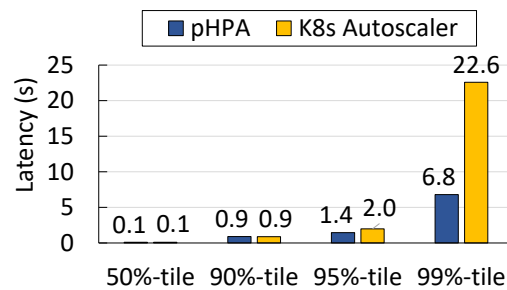
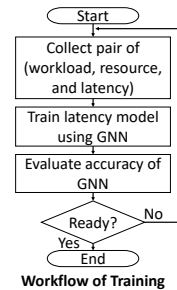
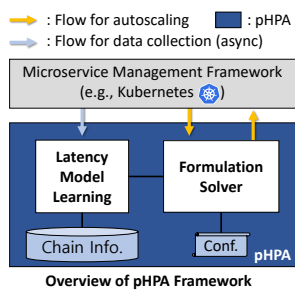


Figure 1: Overview and workflow of the devel- Figure 2: Performance comparison ('pHPA' is our framework)

## Mobile App Acceleration

MAR. 2016 ~ DEC. 2018

Project Goal: reducing user-perceived latency of mobile applications

Experiences:

- Analyze usage patterns of resources such as network bandwidth for various commercial mobile applications
- Measure and analyze network and processing delay of mobile apps by hooking
- Serve as one of the main contributors for Extractocol, a framework that automatically analyzes network message protocol for Android mobile apps

- Develop a framework that automatically generates app-specific acceleration proxy and is implemented in 50k lines of Java code
- Conduct an IRB-based user study to demonstrate the performance of the developed framework
- Serve as a leader in this project

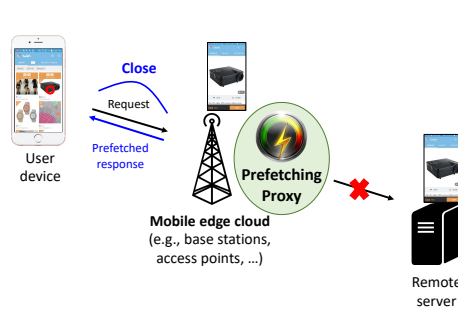


Figure 3: Deployment model of our framework

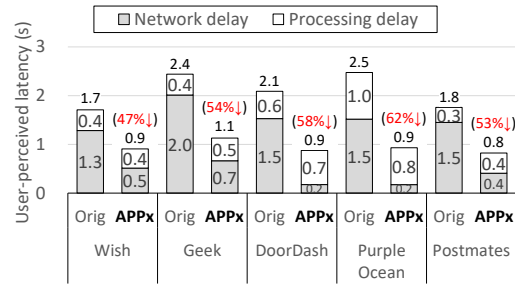


Figure 4: Benchmark result using various commercial applications ('APPx' is our framework)

### High Performance Pattern Matching for NFV Applications

APR. 2014 ~ MAR. 2016

Project Goal: accelerating network middlebox applications

Experiences:

- Design a new multi-string pattern matching algorithm for network middlebox applications, which maximizes usage of out-of-order executions provided by modern CPUs
- Design a data structure that is small-sized to prevent it from being evicted from CPU cache and minimize cache misses
- Implement the pattern matching algorithm in 3k lines of C code
- Apply the pattern matching to various network middleboxes including network intrusion detection system, Web application firewall, traffic classification, and anti-virus.
- Serve as a leader in this project

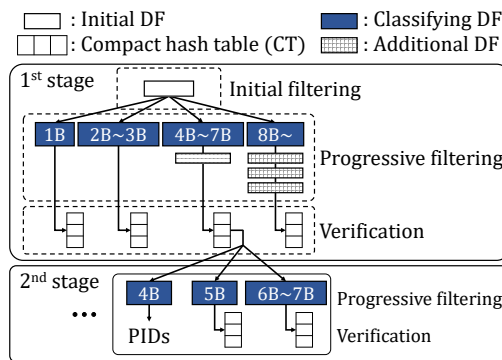


Figure 5: System overview

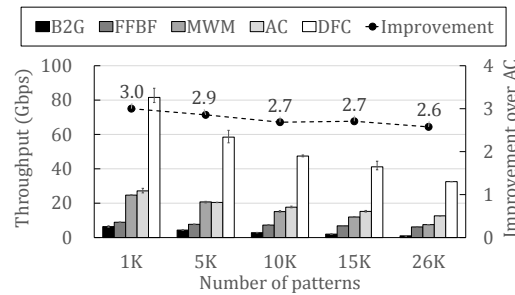


Figure 6: Performance comparison against various existing approaches ('DFC' is our system)

### Manycore-based Network Intrusion Detection/Prevention Systems

OCT. 2013 ~ APR. 2014

Project Goal: accelerating network intrusion detection/prevention systems by leveraging many-core system

Experiences:

- Experiences on a 72-core system with four 10Gbps network ports called Tiler
- Analyze and modify a huge-sized open source intrusion detection system called Suricata
- Benchmark Suricata over Tiler by using software-based load generator

## PUBLICATIONS **Conference and Journal**

1. **Byungkwon Choi**, Jinwoo Park, Chunghan Lee, Dongsu Han. “pHPA: A Proactive Autoscaling Framework for Microservice Chain”. *5th Asia-Pacific Workshop on Networking (APNet) 2021 (submitted)*
2. Juhyeng Han, Seongmin Kim, Daeyang Cho, **Byungkwon Choi**, Jaehyeong Ha, Dongsu Han. “A Secure Middlebox Framework for Enabling Visibility Over Multiple Encryption Protocols”. *IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking (ToN) 2020*
3. **Byungkwon Choi**, Jeongmin Kim, Daeyang Cho, Seongmin Kim, Dongsu Han. “APPx: An Automated App Acceleration Framework for Low Latency Mobile App”. *In Proceedings of the 14th International Conference on emerging Networking EXperiments and Technologies (CoNEXT), Heraklion/Crete, Greece, December 2018. (Acceptance rate: 17.3%)*
4. Jeongmin Kim, Hyunwoo Choi, Hun Namkung, Woohyun Choi, **Byungkwon Choi**, Hyunwook Hong, Yongdae Kim, Jonghyup Lee, Dongsu Han. “Enabling Automatic Protocol Behavior Analysis for Android Applications”. *In Proceedings of the 12th International Conference on emerging Networking EXperiments and Technologies (CoNEXT), Irvine, California, December 2016. (Acceptance rate: 18.4%)*
5. **Byungkwon Choi**, JongWook Chae, Muhammad Jamshed, KyoungSoo Park, and Dongsu Han. “DFC: Accelerating String Pattern Matching for Network Applications”. *In Proceedings of the 13th USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI'16), Santa Clara, CA, March 2016. (Acceptance rate: 19.7%)*
6. Jaehyun Nam, Muhammad Jamshed, **Byungkwon Choi**, Dongsu Han, and KyoungSoo Park. “Haetae: Scaling the Performance of Network Intrusion Detection with Many-core Processors”. *In Proceedings of the 18th International Symposium on Research in Attacks, Intrusions and Defenses (RAID'15), Kyoto, Japan, November 2015. (Acceptance rate: 23.5%)*

## **Poster**

1. **Byungkwon Choi**, Jeongmin Kim, Dongsu Han. “Application-specific Acceleration Framework for Mobile Applications”. *In Proceedings of the 2016 ACM Conference on Special Interest Group on Data Communication (SIGCOMM) - Poster, Florianópolis, Brazil, Aug 2016.*
2. Jaehyun Nam, Muhammad Jamshed, **Byungkwon Choi**, Dongsu Han, and KyoungSoo Park. “Scaling the Performance of Network Intrusion Detection with Many-core Processors”. *In Proceedings of IEEE/ACM Symposium on Architecture for Networking and Communications (ANCS) - Poster, Oakland, CA, May 2015.*
3. Muhammad Jamshed, Jaehyun Nam, **Byungkwon Choi**, Dongsu Han, and KyoungSoo Park. “Balancing between Power Efficiency and High Performance on Software-based Intrusion Detection System”. *In Proceedings of Network and Distributed System Security (NDSS) Symposium - Poster, San Diego, CA, Feb 2014.*

HONORS AND AWARDS	<p><b>Global PhD Fellowship (\$20,000 funding per year for 3 years)</b>  • Supported by National Research Foundation of Korea</p> <p><b>Nomination award for 2016 MSRA(Microsoft Research Asia) Fellowship</b>  <b>Silver prize for 22nd Samsung HumanTech Paper Award</b>  <b>Travel Grant for the 13th USENIX NSDI</b>  <b>Qualcomm IT Tour (One of 30 selected students in South Korea)</b></p>	<p>Rep. of Korea, 2017</p> <p>Beijing, China, 2016</p> <p>Rep. of Korea, 2016</p> <p>Santa Clara, CA, 2016</p> <p>San Diego, CA, 2013</p>
SOFTWARE PUBLISHED	<p>DFC: High-speed string pattern matching library</p> <p>Extractocol: Automatic Protocol Behavior Analysis Framework for Android Apps</p>	
PATENT	<p><i>Multi-pattern matching algorithm and processing apparatus using the same (15008966)</i></p> <p><i>Method and apparatus for accelerating loading of mobile application content (15628884)</i></p>	<p>US, 2016</p> <p>US, 2017</p>
REVIEWER EXPERIENCE	<p><i>IEEE Transactions on Computers TC-2019-09-0469</i></p> <p><i>ACM SIGCOMM 2017 Posters and Demos</i></p>	<p>2019</p> <p>2017</p>
INVITED TALKS	<p><i>ACM CoNEXT'18, "An Automated App Acceleration Framework for Low Latency Mobile App"</i></p> <p><i>SK Telecom, "Automated Framework for Mobile App-specific Acceleration Proxy"</i></p> <p><i>TMON, "Optimizing Latency of Mobile Applications"</i></p> <p><i>IEEE MDM'17 (poster), "Automated Framework for Mobile App Acceleration Proxy"</i></p> <p><i>Open Networking Korea, "High Performance String Pattern Matching Algorithm"</i></p> <p><i>USENIX NSDI'16, "DFC: Accelerating String Pattern Matching for Network Applications"</i></p>	<p>DEC. 2018</p> <p>APR. 2018</p> <p>APR. 2018</p> <p>MAY. 2017</p> <p>APR. 2016</p> <p>MAR. 2016</p>
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p><b>Operating Systems and System Programming for Electrical Engineering (EE415)</b></p> <p><b>KAIST</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instructor: Prof. Dongsu Han</li> <li>• Course Description: The course provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to build the foundation in system programming for Electrical Engineering.</li> <li>• Role: Teaching assistant. Explaining course works to students, grading exams, quizzes, and course works, and answering questions from students.</li> </ul>	<p>SPRING 2016</p>
PROFICIENT SKILLS	<p>Programming Languages: C, C#, Java, Python, UNIX shell scripting, Latex</p> <p>Languages: Korean, English</p>	