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# Tensorized Optical Neural Network Architecture

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## ABSTRACT

Researchers at the University of California, Davis have developed a large-scale, energy-efficient, high-throughput, and compact tensorized optical neural network (TONN) exploiting the tensor-train decomposition architecture on an integrated III–V-on-silicon metal–oxide–semiconductor capacitor (MOSCAP) platform.

## FULL DESCRIPTION

The technology provides a solution of using a TONN architecture to address and mitigate challenges of optical neural networks. The TONN architecture is scalable to 1024×1024 synapses and beyond, which is extremely difficult for conventional integrated ONN architectures, by using cascaded multi-wavelength small-radix (e.g., 8 × 8) tensor cores.

## APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Computer vision
- ▶ Speech recognition
- ▶ Machine translations
- ▶ Medical diagnoses
- ▶ Advanced gaming
- ▶ Large-volume and cost-effective EPIC manufacturing

## FEATURES/BENEFITS

- ▶ Scalable synapses
- ▶ Utilizes fewer Mach–Zehnder interferometers (MZIs) and fewer cascaded stages of MZIs than conventional ONNs
- ▶ Maintains a training accuracy for Modified National Institute of Standards and Technology handwritten digit classification tasks
- ▶ Reduces the footprint-energy compared with digital electronics ANN hardware
- ▶ Steps ahead compared with silicon photonic and phase-change material technologies
- ▶ Overcomes the limited scalability of conventional ONNs
- ▶ Reduces the dependency on the type of task, unlike CNNs
- ▶ Does away with the need for alignment of III–V diode laser chips to Silicon Photonics chips, thereby eliminating related losses and packaging complexity

## PATENT STATUS

Patent Pending

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## OTHER INFORMATION

### KEYWORDS

neural networks, optical computing, photonic neural networks, tensor core decomposition

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- ▶ Crystal Orientation Optimized Optical Frequency Shifter
- ▶ Hyperspectral Compressive Imaging
- ▶ Multi-Wavelength, Nanophotonic, Neural Computing System
- ▶ Athermal Nanophotonic Lasers
- ▶ Ultra-High Resolution Multi-Platform Heterodyne Optical Imaging
- ▶ Multi-Wavelength, Laser Array
- ▶ Optical Interposers for Embedded Photonics Integration
- ▶ Ultrahigh-Bandwidth Low-Latency Reconfigurable Memory Interconnects by Wavelength Routing
- ▶ Development of a CMOS-Compatible, Nano-photonic, Laser
- ▶ Energy Efficient and Scalable Reconfigurable All-to-All Switching Architecture
- ▶ Compressive High-Speed Optical Transceiver
- ▶ All-Optical Regenerators
- ▶ Silicon Based Chirped Grating Emitter for Uniform Power Emission
- ▶ Energy-Efficient All-Optical Nanophotonic Computing
- ▶ 3D Photonic and Electronic Neuromorphic Artificial Intelligence

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