

# SYED MUHAMMAD ALI NAWAZISH

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Utah

August 2022 - Present

Ph.D. in Computer Science

*Advisors:* Dr. Jacobus (Kobus) Van der Merwe

### Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)

September 2018 - July 2020

Masters in Computer Science

*Advisors:* Dr. Zafar Ayyub Qazi and Dr. Taqi Raza

### COMSATS, Lahore

February 2013 - June 2017

Bachelors in Software Engineering

*Advisors:* Dr. Salman Khan

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **Enabling Emerging Edge Applications Through a 5G Control Plane Intervention**  
Mukhtiar Ahmad, **Syed Muhammad Ali Nawazish**, Muhammad Taimoor Tariq, Muhammad Basit Iqbal Awan, Dr. Taqi Raza, Dr. Zafar Ayyub Qazi  
**To be appear in ACM CoNEXT 2022 (accept. rate = 19%)**
- **Neutrino: A Fast and Consistent Edge-based Cellular Control Plane**  
Mukhtiar Ahmad, **Syed Muhammad Ali Nawazish**, Muhammad Taimoor Tariq, Syed Usman Jafri, Adnan Abbas, Syeda Mashal Abbas Zaidi, Muhammad Basit Iqbal Awan, Zartash Afzal Uzmi, Zafar Ayyub Qazi  
**To be appear in IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking journal**
- **A Low Latency and Cellular Control Plane**  
Mukhtiar Ahmad, Syed Usman Jafri, Azam Ikram, Wasiq Noor Ahmad Qasmi, **Syed Muhammad Ali Nawazish**, Zartash Uzmi, and Zafar Ayyub Qazi  
**SIGCOMM 2020 (accept. rate = 22%)**
- **Fast EPC: A Low Latency Cellular Control Plane**  
Mukhtiar Ahmad, Wasiq Noor Ahmad Qasmi, Syed Usman Jafri, Ridah Naseem, **Syed Muhammad Ali Nawazish**, Muhammed Azam Ikram, Zartash Uzmi, and Zafar Ayyub Qazi  
**SIGCOMM 2019 (Poster session)**

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Zong Research Lab - LUMS

July 2020 - July 2022

*Research Assistant*

- Designed and developing a machine learning based system to detect control-plane attacks in 5G core network.
- Designed and developed a 5G core network to improve control-plane latency under failures.
- Designed and developed an edge-based 5G core network for improved load-balancing.

### Zong Research Lab - LUMS

February 2019 - June 2020

*Research Assistant*

- Encoded 5G cellular messages with **ASN.1** serialization and compared them with a new **Flat-Buffers** serialization scheme.
- Designed a fast packet processing system leveraging **Intel's fifth generation** user plane function and improved the user-perceived latencies by up to **10x**.

### COMSATS, Lahore

October 2017 - August 2018

*Software Engineer*

- Designed and developed a **plagiarism detection** module for university assignments using a novel **string matching** algorithm.
- Designed and developed a **graph-based semantic similarity** for finding structural similarity of C/C++ source codes using **Clang** compiler APIs.

## PROJECTS

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- **Computation Offloading:** Conducted a feasibility study of computation offloading of multiple IoT applications under **Edge computing** paradigm.
- **Panorama Generator:** Developed an Android and web-based solution for panoramic pictures creation using Computer vision concepts.
- **Bitcoin Miner:** Developed a distributed system that mimics the **Bitcoin's** mining algorithm.
- **Paxos:** Developed a fault-tolerant, distributed algorithm for reaching consensus using Golang.
- **OLAP Cube:** Created an approach for multi-dimensional data analysis using a Java-based automatic query builder.

## AWARDS

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- Awarded departmental Fellowship at the University of Utah.
- Awarded Research assistantship for outstanding performance in distributed systems course in master's.

## SERVICE

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- Participated in DICE competition at COMSATS Sahiwal, 2016
- Participated in DICE competition at COMSATS Lahore, 2017