Lei Yang

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Education

Ph.D. in Elec. Eng. and Comp. Sci.	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	May 2024
Advisor: Mohammad Alizadeh.		
M.S. in Elec. Eng. and Comp. Sci.	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	June 2020
B.S. in Comp. Sci.	Peking University	June 2018

Employment

Cofounder, Chief Technology Officer	MegaLabs	May 2024 to present
Research Assistant	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Sept. 2018 to May 2024
Teaching Assistant	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Sept. 2021 to Dec. 2021
Systems Research Intern	Algorand Inc.	May 2021 to Aug. 2021
Research Engineer Intern	Information and Protocols Research Inc.	Dec. 2020 to Jan. 2021
Teaching Assistant	Peking University	Sept. 2017 to June 2018
Research Assistant	Peking University	Feb. 2015 to June 2018

Teaching

	Computer Networks (6.829)	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Fall 2021
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As teaching assistant. Instructors: Hari Balakrishnan, Manya Ghobadi.

Compiler Technology Peking University Spring 2018

As teaching assistant. Instructor: Yun Liang.

Computer Networks (Honor Track) Peking University Fall 2017

As teaching assistant. Instructor: Chenren Xu.

Mentoring

Ioannis Kaklamanis Massachusetts Institute of Technology Dec. 2021 to June 2023 Master's thesis and undergraduate research (UROP). Next hop: PhD student at Yale.

Service

External Reviewer	The intl. conf. on Advances in Financial Technologies (AFT) 2024
External Reviewer	The Science of Blockchain Conference (SBC) 2023

External Reviewer Consensus Days 23

External Reviewer IEEE International Symposium on Information Theory (ISIT) 2023

External Reviewer IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (SP) 2023
Reviewer IEEE Transactions on Dependable and Secure Computing

Reviewer IEEE Transactions on Communications
Reviewer IEEE Transactions on Computers

Reviewer IEEE Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems

Reviewer IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking

Refereed Publications

- 1. Lei Yang, Yossi Gilad, Mohammad Alizadeh, "Practical Rateless Set Reconciliation," ACM SIGCOMM Conference, 2024.
- 2. Ertem Nusret Tas, David Tse, Lei Yang, Dionysis Zindros, "Light Clients for Lazy Blockchains," Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC), 2024.
- 3. Joachim Neu, Srivatsan Sridhar, Lei Yang, David Tse, "Optimal Flexible Consensus and its Application to

- Ethereum," IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P), 2024.
- 4. Ioannis Kaklamanis, Lei Yang, Mohammad Alizadeh, "Poster: Coded Broadcast for Scalable Leader-Based BFT Consensus," ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2022.
- 5. Joachim Neu, Srivatsan Sridhar, Lei Yang, David Tse, Mohammad Alizadeh, "Longest Chain Consensus Under Bandwidth Constraint," ACM Advances in Financial Technologies (AFT), 2022.
- 6. Lei Yang, Seo Jin Park, Mohammad Alizadeh, Sreeram Kannan, David Tse, "DispersedLedger: High-Throughput Byzantine Consensus on Variable Bandwidth Networks," USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI), 2022.
- 7. Xuechao Wang, Viswa Virinchi Muppirala, Lei Yang, Sreeram Kannan, Pramod Viswanath, "Securing Parallel-chain Protocols under Variable Mining Power," ACM SIGSAC Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2021.
- 8. Vibhaalakshmi Sivaraman, Shaileshh Bojja Venkatakrishnan, Kathleen Ruan, Parimarjan Negi, Lei Yang, Radhika Mittal, Giulia Fanti, Mohammad Alizadeh, "High Throughput Cryptocurrency Routing in Payment Channel Networks," USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI), 2020.
- 9. Colleen Josephson, Lei Yang, Pengyu Zhang, Sachin Katti, "Wireless Computer Vision Using Commodity Devices," ACM/IEEE International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks (IPSN), 2019.
- 10. Zhenxin Fu, Lei Yang, Wenbin Hou, Zhuohan Li, Yifan Wu, Yihua Cheng, Xiaolin Wang, Yun Liang, "Student Cluster Competition 2017, Team Peking University: Reproducing vectorization of the Tersoff multibody potential on the Intel Broadwell architecture," Parallel Computing 78 (2018): 28-32.
- 11. Chenren Xu, Lei Yang, Pengyu Zhang, "Practical Backscatter Communication Systems for Battery-Free Internet of Things: A Tutorial and Survey of Recent Research," IEEE Signal Processing Magazine 35.5 (2018): 16-27.
- 12. Lei Yang, Yilong Li, Zhenxin Fu, Zhuohan Li, Wenbin Hou, Haoze Wu, Xiaolin Wang, Yun Liang, "ParConnect reproducibility report," Parallel Computing 70 (2017): 22-26.

Preprints

1. Lei Yang, Xuechao Wang, Vivek Bagaria, Gerui Wang, Mohammad Alizadeh, David Tse, Giulia Fanti, Pramod Viswanath, "Prism: Scaling Bitcoin by 10,000x," 2020.

Selected Grants and Awards

Ecosystem Support Program Grantee	Ethereum Foundation	2023	
Peer-to-peer network research.			
Academic Grants Round Grantee	Ethereum Foundation	2022	
Coded Transaction Broadcasting	for High-throughput Blockchains.		
4th place	Student Cluster Competition	2017	
As team leader. Part of the International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage,			
and Analysis (SC).			
May Fourth Scholarship	Peking University	2017	
CentOS Project	Google Summer of Code	2015	
Freshman Scholarship	Peking University	2014	
Second prize	Chinese Physics Olympiad Finals	2013	