Konstantinos Xirogiannopoulos

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INTERESTS

I am interested in database systems, big data management, large-scale data analytics and distributed systems

EDUCATION

PhD. in Computer Science,

August 2014 - currently

University of Maryland, College Park Advisor: Prof. Amol Deshpande

BSc. in Computer Science,

Sept. 2009 - Jan. 2014

Ranked in the top 7.5% of graduates in past five years Athens University of Economics and Business

HONORS & AWARDS

 Honorary Scholarship and Award for Academic and Moral distinction on first year (2009-10) (State Scholarships Foundation)
(Ranked #1 / 240)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

Summer 2015

University of Maryland, College Park Databases Lab

Advisor: Prof. Amol Deshpande

Full-time Graduate Research Assistantship working on the followup research paper for the *GraphGen Project*.

Large-Scale Graph Extraction from Relational Datasets

• GraphGen: Efficiently and intuitively extracting graphs from relational data using a custom Domain Specific Language based on Datalog. This allows users to conduct in-memory large-scale graph analytics on their relational datasets without the need for migrating to a native graph database

Undergraduate Researcher

Oct. 2012 - Sept. 2013

Athens University of Economics and Business

Thesis Title: "Graph Databases and Big Data: Study, Overview of Existing Systems, and Sub-Graph Matching Queries Algorithm Implementation using Apache Hama Graph-Parallel Processing Framework"

Supervisor: Prof. Yannis Kotidis

PUBLICATIONS Conference Publications

• Konstantinos Xirogiannopoulos, Udayan Khurana, Amol Deshpande GraphGen: Exploring Interesting Graphs in Relational Data VLDB 2015 Demo

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Back-End Sofware Engineer Intern

March 2014 - June 2014

Asuum GmbH based in Berlin, Germany

Developed for asynchronous inter-server communication, data management, data

analysis and web application back-end maintenance.

Technical Skills: Java, Hadoop, Map-Reduce, MongoDB, ElasticSearch, Jenkins

TEACHING & MENTORING

Graduate Teaching Assistant (Teaching)

Sept. 2014 - Dec. 2014

Course: CMSC132: Object Oriented Programming II

Instructor: Larry Herman

Conducted four 1-hour long discussion sections per week (approx. 35 students per section) and held 4-hours of office-hours every week for answering questions. These discussion sections included explaining concepts, doing worksheets, assigning and grading quizzes. Graded quizzes and actively participated in grading of midterms and final exams.

RECENT COURSES

CMSC818:Distributed and Cloud Based File Systems Sept. 2014 - Dec. 2014

Instructor: Prof. Peter Keleher

Built Distributed Fault Tolerant, Durable File System from Scratch: Starting from a simple in- memory file system, made it persistent, and later applied and implemented distributed file systems concepts like versioning, replication and distributed consensus (Raft) and developed a fully functional, large-scale distributed file system with many guarantees. All development done in Go ("A").

CMSC723:Computational Linguistics I

Sept. 2014 - Dec. 2014

Instructor: Prof. Hal Daume III

Automatic Quiz-bowl Question Answering: Built a classifier that classified text quiz-bowl questions to their correct answers in an automatic way. Text processing done in Python ("A+").

CMSC 724: Database Management Systems

Feb. 2015 - May. 2015

Instructor: Prof. Amol Deshpande

• Graph-Based Machine Learning on Relational Data ("A+").

CMSC 734: Information Visualization

Feb. 2015 - May. 2015

Instructor: Prof. Ben Schneiderman

• Konstantinos Xirogiannopoulos, Myco Paulo, Zheng Xu, Deok Gun Park TimeGrouper: Visualizing Time Series Clustering Towards the Identification of the Contributing Factors to the Global Decay Rate of Vulnerabilities ("A")

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Music (Electric & Acoustic Guitar), Sports (Basketball [participation in town tournaments], Swimming, Skiing), Leisure (Fishing, Cinema, Android OS Enthusiast, Rubiks Speedcubing [national contest participation])