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Personal Statement

I am currently working as a Backend Engineer (Infrastructure) in ByteDance, Singapore. My previous research focuses on blockchains, and my interest spans from distributed systems, databases to all other large-scale data processing platforms. During my PhD study, I am the award winner of VLDB 2019 Best Paper Award, SIGMOD 2020 Research Highlight Award and SIGMOD 2022 Honorable Mention of Jim Gray Doctoral Dissertation Award. During my Bachelor study, I am the only student in the Class of 2016 placed in the Dean's List (top 5%) throughout academic years.

Education

National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore   *Aug 2016~Mar 2022*

Doctor of Philosophy (Computer Science)

- Supervised by Distinguished Prof OOI Beng Chin in School of Computing
- Thesis: *Blockchains: Novel Data Systems and Beyond* (**Honorable Mention of ACM SIGMOD Jim Gray Dissertation Award**)

Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore   *Aug 2012~Aug 2016*

Bachelor of Engineering (Computer Science)

- Graduated with **First Class Honors** from School of Computer Science and Engineering (SCSE)
- Specialized in High Performance Computing, Information System
- Obtained Grade Point Average: 4.86/5.00 (3rd in the cohort)

SM2 Bridging Program   *July 2011~Aug 2012*

- Undertook a one-year pre-college program with English and Science courses, exclusively for SM2 scholars

Nanjing Foreign Language School, Jiangsu, China   *Sept 2006~Jun 2011*

Middle School and High School

- Maintained top 5 percent on academic performance

Career

ByteDance, Singapore

Software Engineer (Infrastructure)   *Mar 2022~Present*

- Build the next-generation, industry-scale, highly available data systems

School of Computing (SoC), National University of Singapore

Research Fellow   *Sept 2021~Mar 2022*

Research Assistant   *Aug 2016~Sept 2021*

- Supervised by Distinguished Prof OOI Beng Chin
- Coordinate and develop all blockchain-related systems in our team

Institute of High Performance Computing, Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR), Singapore

Student Intern   *Jan 2015~May 2015*
- Supervised by Dr Wang Zhaoxia

Publications

- **P. Ruan**, Y.Kanza, B. C. Ooi, D. Srivastava, *LedgerView*: *Access-Control Views on Hyperledger Fabric*. **ACM SIGMOD 2022**
- Z. Ge, D. Loghin, B. C. Ooi, **P. Ruan**, T. Wang: *Hybrid Blockchain Database Systems: Design and Performance*. **VLDB 2022**
- **P. Ruan,** A. Dinh, D. Loghin, M. Zhang, G. Chen, Q. Lin, B. C. Ooi: *Blockchains and Distributed Databases: Dichotomy and Fusion*. **ACM SIGMOD 20211**
- **P. Ruan**, D. Loghin, Q.-T. ta, M Zhang, G. Chen, B. C. Ooi: *A Transactional Perspective on Execute-Order-Validate Blockchains*. **ACM SIGMOD 2020**
- **P. Ruan**, A. Dinh, Q. Lin, M. Zhang, G. Chen, B. C. Ooi: *Revealing Every Story of Data in Blockchain Systems*. **ACM SIGMOD 2020 RESEARCH HIGHLIGHT AWARD**
- Q. Lin, K. Yang, A. Dinh, Q. Cai, G. Chen, B. C. Ooi, **P. Ruan** , S. Wang, Z. Xie, M. Zhang, O. Vandans: *ForkBase: Immutable, Tamper-evident Storage Substrate for Branchable Applications*. **IEEE ICDE 2020 Demo**
- **P. Ruan**, G. Chen, A. Dinh, Q. Lin, B.C. Ooi, M. Zhang: *FineGrained, Secure and Efficient Data Provenance on Blockchain Systems*. **VLDB 2019 BEST PAPER** (the extended version published in **The VLDB Journal 2021**)
- S. Wang, T. T. A . Dinh, Q. Lin, Z. Xie, M. Zhang, Q. Cai, G. Chen, B.C. Ooi, **P. Ruan** : *ForkBase: An Efficient Storage Engine for Blockchain and Forkable Applications*. **VLDB 2018**
- A. Dinh, J. Wang, S. Wang, G. Chen, W.-N. Chin, Q. Lin, B. C. Ooi, **P. Ruan**, K.-L. Tan, Z. Xie, H. Zhang, and M. Zhang: *UStore: a distributed storage with rich semantics*.
- **P. Ruan**, G. Chen, A. Dinh, Q. Lin, D. Loghin, B. C. Ooi, M. Zhang: *Blockchains and Distributed Databases: A Twin Study*

Awards

- The Valedictorian, SoC NUS, 2022
- IMDA Excellence Prize, SoC NUS, 2022
- Honorable Mention of ACM SIGMOD Jim Gray Dissertation Award, 2022
- ACM SIGMOD Research Highlight Award, 2020
- Dean's Graduate Research Excellence Award, SoC NUS, 2020
- VLDB Best Paper Award, 2019
- Graduate Research Excellence Award, SoC NUS, 2019
- Hewlett-Packard Gold Medal, SCSE NTU, 2016
- Dean's List, SCSE NTU, 2016
- Dean's List, SCSE NTU, 2015
- Dean's List, SCSE NTU, 2014
- Dean's List, SCSE NTU, 2013
- 15th SM2 Scholarship, Ministry of Education, Singapore, 2012