

## JIAO ZIYANG

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### Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL)

08/2019 – 08/2020

Major: Computer Science and Engineering

GPA: 4.0      Ranking: NA

Degree: Master of science in computer science (expected in 2021)

### Syracuse University(SU)

08/2020 – Now

Major: Computer and Information Science and Engineering

GPA: 4.0      Ranking: NA

Degree: Ph.D. in computer science (expected in 2023)

### Publications

Ziyang Jiao, Byran S. Kim, *Generating Realistic Wear Distributions for SSDs*, FAST 22 WiP

### Skills & Tools

Languages: C, C++, Python, HTML5, Java

Tracing: BPF(BCC Tools, bpftrace), blktrace, blkparse, btrecord, btrelay

SSD development platforms: FTLSim, Amber, FEMU

### WORK EXPERIENCE

Syracuse University, Research Assistant, Syracuse, NY

Aug 2020 - Present

- ♦ Storage Systems Research. Currently working on NSF grant – CPR for Flash-Based Storage Systems under Prof. Bryan Kim.
- ♦ Capacity-variant storage systems: exploiting the tradeoffs among capacity, performance, and reliability (CPR) and demonstrating the effectiveness of a capacity variant SSD.
- ♦ Self-learning systems: imbuing intelligence to the devices so that they can self-learn, self-configure, and self-manage.
- ♦ Next-generation storage stack with key-value / ZNS devices: exploring the design of a storage stack using key-value / ZNS devices instead of block devices.

**Washington University in St. Louis**, Teaching Assistant, St. Louis, MO

Jan 2020 – May 2020

- ♦ Course Link: [CSE 417T - Introduction to Machine Learning](#)
- ♦ Advisor: Prof. [Chien-Ju Ho](#)
- ♦ Topics: Generalization in finite and infinite hypothesis spaces; Model complexity, the VC bound, the bias-variance tradeoff; Linear models: the perceptron, regression, logistic regression; Nonlinear transformations of data; The problem of overfitting; Modern supervised learning techniques, including decision trees, neural networks, nearest neighbor methods, support vector machines, boosting, and random forests.

**Chinese Academy of Sciences(CAS)**, Research Assistant, BeiJing

Nov 2018 - Jan 2019

- ♦ Laboratory for Face Recognition Based on Matlab+PCA+SVM.
- ♦ Advisor: Prof. Chao Liu
- ♦ Designing and building data pre-processing and training system
- ♦ Dataset: ORL face database + Real face image data
- ♦ Feature Engineering: Correlation analysis + PCA
- ♦ Model: NN, SVM, GAN

## **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES**

### **A Principled Approach for Selecting Block I/O Traces**

Oct 2021 – Now

*Summary: Analyzing and profiling block I/O traces. Presenting a trace recommendation tool for selecting a subset of traces for benchmarking.*

- ♦ Extract important features from I/O traces and computes (dis)similarities among them.
- ♦ Apply principal component analysis (PCA) and K-means to characterize I/O traces.
- ♦ Provide a guideline for selecting traces when benchmarking storage systems.

### **Generating Realistic Wear Distributions for SSDs**

Aug 2021 – Now

*Summary: Building Fast-Forwardable SSD, a machine learning-based SSD aging framework that generates representative future wear-out states.*

- ♦ Study on SSD aging and fail-slow symptoms.
- ♦ Quantify the low-performance variation under various I/O traces.
- ♦ Develop FF-SSD, an ML-based framework for SSD aging, trace replay acceleration, and drive failure estimation

### **Capacity Performance Reliability(CPR) for Flash-Based Storage Systems**

Oct 2020 – Sep 2023

*Summary: Exploiting tradeoffs among CPR and designing a capacity-variant interface that allows the SSD to maintain performance while gracefully reducing the capacity.*

- ♦ link: [nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD\\_ID=2008453](https://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/showAward?AWD_ID=2008453)
- ♦ Quantify the error-induced performance degradation.
- ♦ Build a capacity-variant system and demonstrate the effectiveness of a capacity variant SSD.
- ♦ Develop new filesystems and RAID systems to study how capacity-variance can be extended to a heterogeneous set of SSDs

**Creating Synergies between Memory, Disk and Log in Log Structured KV Stores** Aug 2020 – Dec 2020

*Summary: Improving the background I/O performance on LevelDB – an open sourced key-value store by Google*

- ♦ Study on LevelDB and analyze performance under different configurations
- ♦ Implement techniques discussed in [TRIAD](#) on LevelDB
- ♦ Smarter categorizing and scheduling to amortize background IO costs in LevelDB
- ♦ Self-adaptive database adjusting to different workloads

**Spam Email Detection**

Dec 2019 – Feb 2020

*Summary: Spam Email classifier based on Naïve Bayes (NB)*

- ♦ Implement a system that mitigates the spamming problem
- ♦ Python programming to classify emails received into three categories: safe, spam, and suspicious email
- ♦ Based on naive Bayes method

**Creative Programming and Rapid Prototyping**

Aug 2019 – Dec 2019

*Summary: Web development*

- ♦ [Module description](#)
- ♦ Github main page: <https://github.com/ZiyangJiao>
- ♦ Techniques: HTML5, CSS, AWS, MySQL, PHP, NodeJS, Git, Python

**Machine Learning Algorithm Optimization**(supervised learning)

Aug 2019 – Dec 2019

*Summary: Implementing and optimizing ML models based on MATLAB*

- ♦ Implementing modern supervised learning techniques, including decision trees, neural networks, nearest neighbor methods, support vector machines, boosting, and random forests.
- ♦ Feature engineering based on filter, wrapper, and embedded methods
- ♦ Improve model performance based on mathematical analysis, such as Hoeffding's inequality, VC-dimension and the bias-variance tradeoff.

**CONFERENCES**

FAST '22: 20th USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies

FAST '21: 19th USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies

OSDI '20: 14th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation

SOCC '20: 11th ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing 2020

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

University scholarship (school-level)

2015/2016/2017/2018

National scholarship

2016

Syracuse University Fellowship

2020 / 2021

## **EXTRA-CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES**

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| WHO Program: COVID-19: methods for detection, prevention, response and control | 2021      |
| Member of College Students Association for Science and Technology              | 2015-2019 |
| Volunteer for the Asia-Pacific Mathematical Contest in Modeling                | 2016      |