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EDUCATION

M.Sc., Computer Science
Carnegie Mellon University

May 2019 - May 2020 (Expected)

B.S. with Honors, Computer Science
Carnegie Mellon University
Minor in Machine Learning

August 2015 - May 2019
QPA 4.0

RESEARCH PROJECTS

JIT Query Compilation for In-Memory Databases

May 2019 - Now

- Developing LLVM-based execution engine for supporting query compilation in an in-memory DBMS.
- Add support for on-the-fly transformation of relational query plans to the DBMS's internal AST.
- Implemented core query operators for index scans, joins, and aggregates.
- Extended the DBMS's engine to support parallel and vectorized built-in execution operators.
- Investigating how to extend the compilation framework to support stored procedures and UDFs.

Fast Transactional Workloads on Universal Columnar Formats

Jan 2019 - May 2019

- Support transactional workloads on the Arrow columnar format
- Enable faster data exports to external analytics frameworks
- Implemented dictionary compression and ran benchmarks.

A survey of CNN-LSTM based image captioning

Jan 2019 - May 2019

- Conducted a survey of image captioning techniques.
- Compared the performance of Merge and Inject architectures.
- Used object detection to improve the quality of the captions.

Caching On Erasure Coded Systems

Jan 2018 - May 2018

- Study distributed caching algorithms in erasure coded systems
- Developed caching techniques with a central coordinator responsible for making decisions.
- Implemented standard techniques (e.g LRU, LFU, etc), and a Reinforcement Learning based technique.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern
Pure Storage

May 2018 - August 2018
Mountain View, CA

I worked on accelerating network transfers from Pure Storage to Amazon S3 by combining data deduplication with S3's multipart upload.

Software Development Intern
Zillow

May 2017 - August 2017
Seattle, WA

I worked on adding various features to the rentals section of Zillow's main website with the Apache Tapestry back-end framework, and the ReactJS and Mustache front-end frameworks.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

15-445, 15-645: Database Systems

Fall 2019

Taught by Andy Pavlo.

Head Teaching Assistant

15-440, 15-640: Distributed Systems

Spring 2019

Co-taught by Mahadev Satyanarayanan, Padmanabhan Pillai, and Daniel Berger.

Teaching Assistant

15-440, 15-640: Distributed Systems

Fall 2018

Co-taught by Yuvraj Agarwal and Daniel Berger.

Teaching Assistant

15-440, 15-640: Distributed Systems

Spring 2018

Co-taught by Mahadev Satyanarayanan, Padmanabhan Pillai, and Daniel Berger.

PUBLICATIONS

- Prashanth Menon and others, “Regret-Free Compilation: An Optimization Framework for Re-compiling Queries on the Fly”, Under Submission, 2019
- Tianyu Li and others, “Mainlining Databases: Supporting Fast Transactional Workloads on Universal Columnar Data File Formats”, Under Submission, 2019
- Andy Pavlo and others, “Make Your Database Dream of Electric Sheep: Engineering for Self-Driving Operation”, Unpublished Manuscript, 2019

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

Siebel Scholarship

2019-2020

Awarded to students who have demonstrated academic and leadership excellence at the world’s leading graduate schools of business and computer science.

Flag Bearer of the School of Computer Science

2019

Given to the student with one of the highest undergraduate performances.

Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society Membership

2019

Awarded based excellence and integrity in the studies of liberal arts and sciences.

SCS Dean’s List

Every Semester

Awarded based on high QPA.

Best Student in Senegal

2014

Awarded to the student with the best achievements in nationwide academic competitions.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Tools and Frameworks

Version Control: Git

Build Systems: Make, CMake

Web Development: Gorilla, ReactJS

DBMS: PostgreSQL

Machine Learning: Pytorch, Keras

Programming Languages

Extensive: C/C++, Go, Python, Java.

Proficient: SQL, HTML/CSS/JS, SML.