Andrew Alex

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Education

University of California, Santa Barbara

Master of Science, Computer Science, September 2022 - June 2024 (Expected)

Advisor: Jonathan Balkind Research Focus: Programming Languages and Computer Architecture

University of California, Los Angeles

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics of Computation, June 2018

Relevant Coursework:

Advanced Computer Architecture, Randomized Algorithms, Program Analysis, Operating Systems, Machine Learning, Computer Networks, Programming Languages, Algorithm Design and Complexity, Numerical Analysis, Probability Theory

Research

UCSB ArchLab, September 2022 to Present

Program Synthesis For Correct-by-Construction Processor Control Logic

- Conducting research focused on using program synthesis to automatically generate control logic signals for a processor given an ISA specification and a partial processor implementation (i.e. without the control logic)
- Developed a compiler to generate Rosette program synthesis code from ILAng, a platform that enables formal modeling of ISAs and hardware components in C++ code

Professional and Teaching Experience

UCSB Computer Science

Teaching Assistant, September 2022 to Present

- Winter 2023 and Spring 2023 CS 154: Computer Architecture
- Fall 2022 CS 9: Intermediate Python Programming

Zillow Group

Senior Software Engineer, February 2021 to August 2022

Software Engineer, May 2019 to February 2021

Associate Software Engineer, August 2018 to May 2019

Trulia Data Engineering Intern, June 2017 to September 2017

- Lead team of 3 other developers to build a new GIS matching system for property data using Spark and Kafka that reduced new data onboarding time in the AI organization from weeks to a day of developer time
- Interviewed and evaluated engineering candidates for developer roles on our team and mentor new hires and interns
- Gave technical and product presentations to other engineering teams as well as non-technical product managers to encourage adoption of our teams products including a company wide engineering summit
- Prototyped and pitched a Docker based development and deployment setup to engineering leadership to migrate a legacy web application to a more modern environment in AWS
- Optimized layout of Lucene search index used to store street segment data to allow for faster lookup times improving the end to end latency of our web application by ~30%

Technology Skills

- **Proficient With:** Java, Scala, C++, Python
- Experience With: PyRTL, SystemVerilog, RISC-V, C, Racket, PHP, JavaScript
- Tools and Frameworks: Spark, Kafka, Flink, Git, Terraform, Docker, Kubernetes
- **AWS Products:** EMR, EC2, S3, Data Pipeline, RDS, Fargate