

Philipp Leitner

Curriculum Vitæ (January 23, 2024)

SUMMARY

I am an associate professor (docent) of software engineering at Chalmers University of Technology. I currently lead the Software Engineering 2 unit, focusing on Software Technology. I teach and conduct research on software development tools for Internet-based systems. Recently, much of my research is on software performance engineering, with a special focus on tools that enable rapid releases of efficient cloud software. I currently supervise a team of 4 PhD students working in the above topics, and have graduated three successful students.

My research is funded through WASP, VR, Vinnova, and the Chalmers Area of Advance on ICT. I hold a PhD degree in business informatics from Vienna University of Technology (2011), and have (co-)authored more than 100 publications to date, leading to an h-index of 45 as tracked by Google Scholar. Recent publication highlights include papers at ICSE, FSE, TSE, EMSE, and an an award-winning paper at the USENIX Middleware conference.

In addition to my research and teaching, I organized events (e.g., a Dagstuhl seminar on software performance engineering, or the Vienna Software Seminar series) and special issues related to my area of research. I serve on the programme committee of many of the most visible conferences in the field (e.g., MSR, ICSME, ICPE), and have also acted in organisatorial roles (e.g., PC chair at ICPE in 2022) for various conferences.

RECENT APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor Since Oct. 19

Chalmers | University of Gothenburg

ICT Area of Advance Assistant Professor (tenure-track)

Aug. 17 - Oct. 19

Chalmers University of Technology

Senior Research Associate Jan. 14 - July 17

University of Zurich

Postdoctoral Researcher Nov. 2011 - Dec. 2013

Vienna University of Technology

RECENT ACQUIRED GRANTS

Debloating ML Systems Funding: AoA SEED Grant Role: Co-PI (2021)

FFI TRAF-Cloud Funding: Vinnova Role: Co-PI (2019 - 2022)

VR Starting Grant Funding: VR Role: PI

(2019 - 2023) WASP Student Funding: WASP Role: PI (2017 - 2022)

MINCA Funding: SNF (Swiss) Role: PI (2016 - 2019)

CURRENT PHD STUDENTS

- Ranim Khojah
- Hamdy Michael Ayas
- Hazeem (Peter) Samoaa
- Linda Erlenhov

SELECTED RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS [full list on Google Scholar]

- H. Zhang, M. Alhanahnah, F. Ahmed, D. Fatih, **P. Leitner**, and A. Ali-Eldin: *Machine Learning Systems are Bloated and Vulnerable*. SIGMETRICS International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems, 2024
- M Jangali, Y. Tang, N. Alexandersson, **P. Leitner**, J. Yang, and W. Shang: Automated Generation and Evaluation of JMH Microbenchmark Suites from Unit Tests, IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE), 2022 (particularly relevant)
- C. Laaber, H. C. Gall, and **P. Leitner**: Applying Test Case Prioritization to Software Microbenchmarks, Empirical Software Engineering (EMSE), 2021 (particularly relevant)
- C. Laaber, S. Würsten, H. C. Gall, and **P. Leitner**: Dynamically Reconfiguring Software Microbenchmarks: Reducing Execution Time Without Sacrificing Result Quality, Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE), 2020
- D. Costa, CP. Bezemer, **P. Leitner**, and A. Andrzejak: What's Wrong With My Benchmark Results? Studying Bad Practices in JMH Benchmarks, IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering (TSE), 2019. (particularly relevant)
- C. Laaber, J. Scheuner, and P. Leitner: Software Microbenchmarking in the Cloud. How Bad is it Really?, Empirical Software Engineering (EMSE), 2019 (particularly relevant)
- P. Leitner, E. Wittern, J. Spillner, and W. Hummer: A Mixed-Method Empirical Study of Function-as-a-Service Software Development in Industrial Practice, Journal of Systems and Software (JSS), 2019
- J. Cito, P. Leitner, M. Rinard, and H. C. Gall: Interactive Production Performance Feedback in the IDE, International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE), 2019 (particularly relevant)
- P. Leitner and J. Cito: Patterns in the Chaos a Study of Performance Variation and Predictability in Public IaaS Clouds, ACM Transactions on Internet Technology (TOIT), 2016
- J. Cito, **P. Leitner**, T. Fritz, and H. C. Gall: The Making of Cloud Applications An Empirical Study on Software Development for the Cloud, Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering (ESEC/FSE), 2015