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Education

Technical University of Munich

Oct 2020 - Oct 2024

M.Sc. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Munich, Germany

- Visiting Non-Degree Graduate Student: New York University GPA 4.0
- Master Thesis: VM Selection Heuristic for Multicast Overlay Trees in the Cloud
- Related Coursework: Operating Systems, Machine Learning Methods, High Performance Computing Lab

Technical University of Munich

Oct 2016 - Sept 2020

B.Sc. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Munich, Germany

Publications

Design and Implementation of A Scalable Financial Exchange in the Cloud | (Paper)

Jan 2024 - Present

- Novel Cloud financial exchange achieving low latency of <= 250 μs, with a difference < 1 μs for 1K receivers.
- Achieves better scalability and around 50% lower latency than the multicast service provided by AWS.
- Used kernel-bypass techniques (DPDK) to scale performance up to a 35K multicast packet rate.

Experience

Research Assistant

Jul 2022 - Oct 2022

TU Munich

Munich, Germany

- Worked on <u>TensorDSE</u>, a Design-Space Exploration framework to guide machine learning model deployments.
- Evaluated the performance of various ML models across GPUs, CPUs and TPUs with TensorFlow Lite.
- Generated cost analysis reports for Google's Coral Edge TPU via USB traffic analysis (PyShark) during inference.
- TensorDSE used reports to accelerate a model's inference/deployment optimally onto available hardware devices.

Embedded Software Engineer – Internship

Aug 2021 – Jan 2022

Molabo GmbH

Ottobrunn, Germany

- Added unit-tests (GTest) and test coverage (lcov) to safety critical features of their motor's embedded controller.
- Developed tooling for state simulations of their electric motor via Linux's virtual CAN interface and mock APIs.
- Extended their firmware update system used by 18+ clients, consisting of partial updates via CAN bus.
- Automated build and testing workflows via Jenkinsfiles, Makefiles and CMake for a team of over 10 engineers.

Tutor - Embedded Systems Programming Lab

Apr 2021 - Aug 2021

TU Munich

Munich, Germany

- Mentored over 20 students in developing low-level FreeRTOS applications in C for embedded systems.
- Taught software engineering best practices, focusing on concurrency, real-time scheduling, and performance optimization.

Technical Skills

Languages: C++, Python, Golang, Rust, C, Bash, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Lua, VHDL

Cloud Services: Google Cloud Platform (GCP), Amazon EC2 (AWS), Terraform, Packer, Vagrant Tools: Linux, Unix Shell, Git, Github CI/CD, Jenkins, CMake, GNU Make, Bazel, Vim, VSCode

Technologies: Docker, ZeroMQ, DPDK, MPI, FreeRTOS, FPGA, IoT, TensorFlow, Scipy, NumPy, Pandas, OpenMP

Verbal/Written: German – Fluent, Portuguese – Fluent

Projects

Cloud-TreeBuilder | GCP, ZMQ, Terraform, Python, C++, Distributed Systems, Heuristic

Mar 2024 - Present

- Launches and selects K out of N VMs in a cluster to create an optimal multicast tree of depth D and fan-out F.
- Deploys UDP based probe jobs on VM subsets, collecting data regarding their network performance (JSON).
- Applies a developed heuristic on collected data to select VMs for a tree layer by layer.
- Uses terraform to manage cloud state, ZMQ for node communication and Protobufs for data serialization.

Open-MPI Value Iteration | C++, Parallel-Computing, MPI, HPC

Mar 2022

• An HPC prototype that solves a stochastic navigation problem through Asynchronous Value Iteration (AVI).

• Used different MPI techniques to iteratively distribute workload across an HPC cluster and gather results.

Hamming Code Error Detection (16,11) | C, VHDL, FPGA, SoC, UART

Feb 2021

- Implemented an error detection/correction algorithm for packet transmission on Microsemi's SF2 FPGA/SoC.
- Packets sent between host and SoC via UART are cross-referenced against erroneous bit flips.
- Microprocessor offloads error-injected data onto the FPGA for detection/correction via an APB3 Bus Matrix.