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# Research Interests

Design and implementation of programming languages, runtime systems, and program analyses, with a focus on automatically improving reliability, security, and performance.

# Education

**Ph.D., Computer Science,** University of Texas at Austin, August 2002

Thesis: **Memory Management for High-Performance Applications**

Advisor: Kathryn S. McKinley

**M.S., Computer Science,** University of Texas at Austin, December 1991

**B.S., Computer Science,** University of Miami, May 1988

# Academic Experience

**Professor**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 2014–present

**Visiting Researcher**,University of Washington, 2018–9 **Visiting Researcher**,Microsoft Research, 2005, 2006, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2018–9

**Associate Professor**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 2008–2014

**Associate Researcher**, Barcelona Supercomputing Center, 2010–2013

**Visiting Professor**, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, 2008–2009

**Assistant Professor**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 2002–2008

**Research Intern**, Microsoft Research, Summer 2000 & 2001

**Graduate Research Assistant**, University of Texas at Austin, 1997–2002

# Professional Experience

**Systems Analyst,** University of Texas at Austin,1995–2000

**Teacher,** Benjamin Franklin International School, Barcelona, Spain, 1992­–1994

**Systems Analyst**, Applied Research Laboratories: UT-Austin*,* 1990–1992

**Instructor,** The Princeton Review*,*Austin, Texas, 1989–1990  
**Teaching Assistant,** University of Texas at Austin, 1989–1990

**Programmer**,FOCAL Informatique,Grenoble, France, Summer 1990

**Programmer**,Texas Instruments, Austin, Texas, 1989 – 1990

**Programmer**,ComPro Associates, Orlando, Florida, 1988

**Programmer**,Stromberg-Carlson, Inc. (now Siemens), Lake Mary, Florida, 1986

**Programmer**,AT&T Information Systems, Maitland, Florida, 1985

**Programmer**,Fetco Inc., Sanford, Florida, 1984

# Honors & Awards

**ACM Distinguished Member**, 2018

**ACM Senior Member**, 2011

**Most Influential Paper Award**, ASPLOS 2019 (≥10 year test of time award) for *Hoard: A Scalable Allocator for Multithreaded Applications*

**Most Influential Paper Award**, PLDI 2016 (10 year test of time award) for *DieHard: Probabilistic Memory Safety for Unsafe Languages*

**Most Influential Paper Award**, OOPSLA 2012 (10 year test of time award) for *Reconsidering Custom Memory Allocation*

**CACM Research Highlight**, *BLeak: Automatically Debugging Memory Leaks in Web Applications,* to appear

**CACM Research Highlight**, *Coz: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling,* June 2018

**CACM Research Highlight**, *AutoMan: Integrating Digital and Human Computation,* June 2016

**CACM Research Highlight**, *Exterminator: Automatically Correcting Errors with High Probability*, December 2008

**SIGPLAN Research Highlight***,* *BLeak: Automatically Debugging Memory Leaks in Web Applications*, 2019

**SIGPLAN Research Highlight***,* *Doppio: Breaking the Browser Language Barrier*, 2014

**SIGPLAN Research Highlight***,* *AutoMan: Integrating Human and Digital Computation*, 2013

**Best Paper Award**, *Coz: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling* (SOSP 2015)

**Best Paper Award**, *SurveyMan: Programming and Debugging Surveys* (OOPSLA 2014)

**Best Paper** **Award**, *TFS: A Transparent File System for Contributory Storage* (FAST 2007) **National Science Foundation (NSF) CAREER Award**, 2004–2007

**Facebook Faculty Research Award**, 2017

**University of Massachusetts Exceptional Merit Award***,* 2014

**PLDI Distinguished Artifact Award**, 2014

**Microsoft Software Engineering Foundation (SEIF) Award**, 2013

**Google Research Award**, 2011  
**Lilly Teaching Fellowship**, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 2006

**Microsoft Research Graduate Fellowship**, 2001 – 2002

**Novell Corporation Fellowship**, 1997 – 1998  
**Florida Honors Scholarship**, 1984 – 1988

# Publications: Conference Papers

# *Note: In Computer Science, unlike many other fields, conference papers are rigorously reviewed, with top conferences having low acceptance rates; publications in these conferences are considered archival and comparable to top journal papers.*

# *Citation counts from Google Scholar, June 2019; total: 4,572.* [*https://goo.gl/B54C1b*](https://goo.gl/B54C1b)

**[OOPSLA 2019] PlanAlyzer: Assessing Threats to the Validity of Online Experiments**,E. Tosch, E. Bakshy, E. Berger, D. Jensen, J. E. B. Moss. In *Proceedings of the 2019 ACM Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications*, to appear October 2019.

**[UIST 2019] Tea: A High-Level Language and Runtime System for Automating Statistical Analysis**,E. Jun, M. Daum, J. Roesch, S. Chasins, E. Berger, R. Just, K. Reinecke. In *Proceedings of the 2019 ACM User Interface Software and Technology Symposium*, to appear October 2019. [*http://tea-lang.org*](http://tea-lang.org)

**[USENIX 2019] Not So Fast: Analyzing the Performance of WebAssembly vs. Native Code**,A. Jangda, B. Powers, E. Berger, A. Guha. In *Proceedings of the 2019 USENIX Annual Technical Conference*, to appear July 2019. Acceptance rate: 20% (71/356). [1 citation, to arXiv preprint]

**[PLDI 2019] Mesh: Compacting Memory Management for C/C++ Applications**,B. Powers, D. Tench, E. Berger, A. McGregor. In *Proceedings of the 2019 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, to appear June 2019. Acceptance rate: 27% (76/281). [*http://libmesh.org*](http://libmesh.org)   


**[Middleware 18] CRIMES: Using Evidence to Secure the Cloud**,S. Rajasekaran, H. Chawla, Z. Ni, N. Shah, E. Berger, T. Wood. In *Proceedings of the 19th Annual Middleware Conference*, December 2018. Acceptance rate: 23% (22/95).

**[OOPSLA 2018] ExceLint: Automatically Finding Spreadsheet Formula Errors**,D. Barowy, E. Berger, B. Zorn. In *Proceedings of the 2018 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications*, November 2018. Acceptance rate: 28% (60/216). [*http://excelint.org*](http://excelint.org)   
[1 citation]



**[PLDI 2018] BLeak: Automatically Debugging Memory Leaks in Web Applications**,J. Vilk, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 39th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, June 2018. Acceptance rate: 21% (55/258) ***SIGPLAN Research Highlight.*** [*http://bleak-detector.org/*](http://bleak-detector.org/) [3 citations]



**[CHI 2017] VoxPL: Programming with the Wisdom of the Crowd**,D. Barowy, D. Goldstein, S. Suri, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 35th Annual CHI Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*, May 2017. Acceptance rate: 25% (600/2400). [5 citations]

**[ASPLOS 2017] Browsix: Bridging the Gap Between Unix and the Browser**,B. Powers, J. Vilk, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the Twenty-Third International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems*, April 2017. Acceptance rate: 17% (56/321). [*https://browsix.org*](https://browsix.org) [4 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2016] Prioritized Garbage Collection: Explicit GC Support for Software Caches**,D. Nunez, S. Guyer, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2016 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications*, November 2016. Acceptance rate: 26% (52/203). [3 citations]

**[ICSE 2016] DoubleTake: Fast and Precise Error Detection via Evidence-Based Dynamic Analysis**, T. Liu, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 38th International Conference on Software Engineering*, May 2016.Acceptance rate: 19% (101/530). [19 citations]

**[SOSP 2015] Coz: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling**, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 25th ACM 2015 Symposium on Systems Principles*.  
***Best Paper Award, CACM Research Highlight.*** [*http://coz-profiler.org*](http://coz-profiler.org)[57 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2014] CheckCell: Data Debugging for Spreadsheets**, D. Barowy, D. Gochev, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2014 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications,* October 2014. Acceptance rate: 28% (53/185)***.*** [*http://checkcell.org*](http://checkcell.org)[30 citations]



**[OOPSLA 2014] SurveyMan: Programming and Automatically Debugging Surveys**, E. Tosch, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2014 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications,* October 2014. Acceptance rate: 28% (53/185). ***Best Paper Award.*** [*http://surveyman.org*](http://surveyman.org)[7 citations]



**[PLDI 2014] Doppio: Breaking the Browser Language Barrier**, J. Vilk, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 35th ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation,* pp. 508-518, June 2014. Acceptance rate: 18% (52/287). ***Winner of PLDI 2014 Distinguished Artifact Award; SIGPLAN Research Highlight.*** [*http://doppiojvm.org*](http://doppiojvm.org)[12 citations]  


**[PPoPP 2014] Predator: Predictive False Sharing Detection**, T. Liu, C. Tian, Z. Hu, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 19th ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming,* pp. 3-14, February 2014. Acceptance rate: 16% (28/179). [25 citations]

**[ASPLOS 2013] Stabilizer: Statistically Sound Performance Evaluation**, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the Eighteenth International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems,*pp. 219-228,March 2013. Acceptance rate: 23% (44/191). <http://stabilizer-tool.org> [87 citations]

**[DATE 2013] Probabilistic Timing Analysis on Conventional Cache Designs**, L. Kosmidis, C. Curtsinger, E. Quiñones, J. Abella, E. Berger, F. Cazorla. In *Proceedings of the Conference on Design, Automation and Test in Europe,* pp. 603-606, March 2013. [41 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2012] AutoMan: Integrating Digital and Human Computation**, D. Barowy, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger, A. McGregor. In *Proceedings of the 2012 ACM Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications*, pp. 639-654, October 2012. Acceptance rate: 25% (57/228). ***SIGPLAN Research Highlight, CACM Research Highlight.*** [*http://automan-lang.org*](http://automan-lang.org) [128 citations]

**[SOSP 2011] Dthreads: Efficient Deterministic Multithreading**, T. Liu, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the Twenty-Third ACM Symposium on Operating Systems Principles*, pp. 327-336, October 2011. Acceptance rate: 18% (28/153). [255 citations][*http://dthreads.org*](http://dthreads.org)

**[OOSPLA 2011] Sheriff: Precise Detection and Automatic Mitigation of False Sharing**, T. Liu, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2011 ACM Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications*, pp. 3-18, October 2011. Acceptance rate: 37% (61/166). [71 citations]

**[WOOT 2011**] **DieHarder: Securing the Heap**, G. Novark, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 5th USENIX Workshop on Offensive Technologies,* August 2011 (invited paper).

**[CCS 2010**] **DieHarder: Securing the Heap**, G. Novark, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2010 ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security,* pp. 573-584, October 2010. Acceptance rate: 17% (55/325). [156 citations]   
***Inspiration for security-hardening features in Windows 8.***

**[OOPSLA 2009] Grace: Safe Multithreaded Programming for C/C++**, E. Berger, T. Yang, T. Liu, G. Novark. In *Proceedings of the 2009 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications*, pp. 81-96, October 2009. Acceptance rate: 17% (25/144). [310 citations]

**[ECRTS 2009] Using Randomized Caches in Real-Time Systems**,  
E. Quiñones, E. Berger, G. Bernat, F. Cazorla. In *Proceedings of the 21st IEEE Euromicro Conference on Real-Time Systems*, pp. 129-138, June 2009. Acceptance rate: 25% (26/102). [55 citations]

**[PLDI 2009] Efficiently and Precisely Locating Memory Leaks and Bloat**,  
G. Novark, E. Berger, B. Zorn. In *Proceedings of the 2009 ACM Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, pp. 397-407,  
June 2009. Acceptance rate: 21% (41/194). [72 citations]

**[OSDI 2008] Redline: First Class Support for Interactivity in Commodity Operating Systems**, T. Yang, T. Liu, E. Berger, S. Kaplan, J. Moss. In *Proceedings of the 8th USENIX Symposium on Operating System Design and Implementation*, pp. 73-86, December 2008. Acceptance rate: 13% (26/193). [83 citations]

**[ASPLOS 2008] Archipelago: Trading Address Space for Reliability and Security**,  
V. Lvin, G. Novark, E. Berger, and B. Zorn. In *Proceedings of the Thirteenth International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems-XIII*, 10 pages, March 2008.  
Acceptance rate: 24% (31/127). [86 citations]

**[SenSys 2007] Eon: A Language and Runtime System for Perpetual Systems**,  
J. Sorber, A. Kostadinov, M. Brennan, M. Garber, M. Corner, and E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 5th ACM Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems*, pp. 161-174, November 2007. Acceptance rate: 16%.  
[225 citations]

**[PLDI 2007] Exterminator: Automatically Correcting Memory Errors with High Probability**, G. Novark, E. Berger, and B. Zorn. In *Proceedings of the 2007 ACM Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, pp. 1-11, June 2007. Acceptance rate: 25% (45/178).  
***CACM Research Highlight.*** [162 citations]

**[FAST 2007] TFS: A Transparent File System for Contributory Storage**,  
J. Cipar, M. Corner, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the Fifth USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies*, pp. 215-229, February 2007. Acceptance rate: 20%. ***Best paper award.*** [22 citations]

**[OSDI 2006] CRAMM: Virtual Memory Support for Garbage-Collected Applications**,  
T. Yang, E. Berger, S. Kaplan, J. E. B. Moss. In *Proceedings of the 7th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation*,  
pp. 103-116, November 2006. Acceptance rate: 18% (27/150).   
[118 citations]

**[PLDI 2006] DieHard: Probabilistic Memory Safety for Unsafe Languages**,  
E. Berger and B. Zorn. In *Proceedings of the 2006 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, pp. 158-167, June 2006. Acceptance rate: 21% (36/174). ***Directly inspired the design of the Windows Fault-Tolerant Heap; Winner of Most Influential Paper Award, PLDI 2016.*** [443 citations]

**[USENIX 2006] Flux: A Language for Programming High-Performance Servers**,  
B. Burns, K. Grimaldi, A. Kostadinov, E. Berger and M. Corner. In *Proceedings of the USENIX 2006 Annual Technical Conference*, pp. 129-142, May 2006. Full paper acceptance rate: 13.7% (21/153). [53 citations]

**[USENIX 2006] Transparent Contribution of Memory**,  
J. Cipar, M. Corner, E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the USENIX 2006 Annual Technical Conference*, pp. 109-114, May 2006. Acceptance rate: 18.5%.  
[16 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2005] Quantifying the Performance of Garbage Collection vs. Explicit Memory Management**, M. Hertz and E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2005 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications*, pp. 313-326, October 2005. Acceptance rate: 18% (32/174). [136 citations]

**[PLDI 2005] Garbage Collection Without Paging**,  
M. Hertz, Y. Feng, and E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2005 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, pp. 143-153, June 2005. Acceptance rate: 21% (28/135). [99 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2004] MC2: High-Performance Garbage Collection for Memory Constrained Environments**, N. Sachindran, J.E.B. Moss and E. Berger. In *Proceedings of the 2004 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications*, pp. 81-98, October 2004. Acceptance rate: 15%. [51 citations]

**[ISMM 2004] Automatic Heap Sizing: Taking Real Memory into Account**,  
T. Yang, M. Hertz, E. Berger, S. Kaplan, J.E.B. Moss. In *Proceedings of the 2004 ACM SIGPLAN International Symposium on Memory Management*, pp. 61-72, October 2004. Acceptance rate: 34% (15/43). [64 citations]

**[OOPSLA 2002] Reconsidering Custom Memory Allocation**,  
E. Berger, B. Zorn and K. S. McKinley. In *Proceedings of the 2002 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications*, pp. 1-12, November 2002. Acceptance rate: 20% (25/125). ***Winner of 2012 OOPSLA Most Influential Paper Award.*** [215 citations]

**[PLDI 2001] Composing High-Performance Memory Allocators**,  
E. Berger, B. Zorn and K. S. McKinley. In *Proceedings of the 2001 ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation*, pp. 114-124, June 2001. Acceptance rate: 20% (30/144).  
[*http://www.heaplayers.org*](http://www.heaplayers.org) [169 citations]

**[PPSC 2001] Customizing Software Libraries for Performance Portability**,  
S. Guyer, E. Berger, and C. Lin. In *10th SIAM Conference on Parallel Processing for Scientific Computing,* March 2001 [8 citations]

**[ASPLOS-IX] Hoard: A Scalable Allocator for Multithreaded Applications**,  
E. Berger, K. S. McKinley, R. Blumofe and P. Wilson. In *The Ninth International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems*, pp. 117-128, November 2000. Acceptance rate: 21% (24/114). [*http://www.hoard.org*](http://www.hoard.org)[561 citations]  
***Algorithm adopted by Mac OS X and IBM; numerous commercial users. Variant of Hoard awarded test-of-time award at PLDI 2014; Most Influential Paper Award at ASPLOS 2019***

# Publications: Journal Articles

**[TOPLAS 2019] On the Impact of Programming Languages on Code Quality**, E. Berger, C. Hollenbeck, P. Maj, J. Vitek, O. Vitek. In *Proceedings of the ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems*, to appear.

**[CACM 2019] GOTO Rankings Considered Helpful**, E. Berger, S. Blackburn, C. Brodley, H. V. Jagadish, K. S. McKinley, M. A. Nascimento, M. Shin, L. Xie, K. Wang. In *Communications of the ACM*, July 2019.

**[CACM 2018] Coz: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling**, C. Curtsinger, E. Berger. In *Communications of the ACM (Research Highlight*), Volume 61, Issue 6, pp. 91-99, June 2018.

**[CACM 2018] Effectiveness of Anonymization in Double-Blind Reviewing**, C. LeGoues, Y. Brun, S. Apel, E. Berger, S. Khurshid, Y. Smaragdakis. In *Communications of the ACM*, Volume 61, Issue 6, pp. 30-33, June 2018. [2 citations]

**[CACM 2016] AutoMan: A Platform for Integrating Human-Based and Digital Computation**, D. Barowy, C. Curtsinger, A. McGregor, E. Berger. In *Communications of the ACM (Research Highlight*), Volume 59, Issue 6, pp. 102-109, June 2016. [9 citations]

**[TECS 2013] PROARTIS: Probabilistically Analysable Real-Time Systems**,  
F. Cazorla, E. Quiñones, T. Vardanega, L. Cucu, B. Triquet, G. Bernat, E. Berger, J. Abella, F. Wartel, M. Houston, L. Santinelli, L. Kosmidis, C. Lo, D. Maxim. In *ACM Transactions on Embedded Computing Systems*, Volume 12, Issue 2s (94 pages), May 2013. [145 citations]

**[CACM 2012] Software Needs Seatbelts and Airbags**, E. Berger. In *Communications of the ACM*, Volume 55, Issue 9, pp. 48-53, September 2012. [11 citations]

**[CACM 2008] Exterminator: Automatically Correcting Memory Errors with High Probability**, G. Novark, E. Berger, B. Zorn. In *Communications of the ACM (Research Highlight*), pp. 87-95, December 2008.

**[TOS 2007] TFS: A Transparent File System for Contributory Storage**,  
J. Cipar, M. Corner, E. Berger. In *ACM Transactions on Storage*, Volume 3, Issue 3, Article 12 (26 pages), October 2007. [10 citations]

**[IJHPCA 2000] Compositional Development of Performance Models in POEMS**,  
J.C. Browne, E. Berger, and A. Dube. In *International Journal of High Performance Computing Applications*, Sage Science Press, Volume 14, Number 4 (pp. 283-291), Winter 2000 [22 citations]

**[IJNME 1998] A Fast Solution Method for Three-Dimensional Many-Particle Problems of Linear Elasticity**, Y. Fu, K. Klimkowski, G. Rodin, E. Berger, J. C. Browne, J. Singer, R. van de Geijn, and K. Vemaganti. In *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering*, Volume 42, 1998 [192 citations]

# Publications: Peer-Reviewed Workshop Papers

**[HotCloud 2016] Scalable Cloud Security via Asynchronous Virtual Machine Introspection**, S. Rajasekaran, Z. Ni, H. Chawla, N. Shah, T. Wood, E. Berger. In *8th USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Cloud Computing*,June 2016. [3 citations]

**[MSP 2005] A Locality-Improving Dynamic Memory Allocator**,  
Y. Feng, E. Berger. In *3rd Annual ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Memory Systems Performance*, pp. 68-77, June 2005. Acceptance rate: 33%. [50 citations]

# Publications: Pre-Prints and Technical Reports (not published elsewhere)

**Systems computing challenges in the Internet of Things**, R. Alur, E. Berger, A. Drobnis, L. Fix, K. Fu, G. Hager, D. Lopresti, K. Nahrstedt, E. Mynatt, S. Patel, J. Rexford, J. Stankovic, B. Zorn

E. Berger and B. Zorn (CCC Whitepaper, https://arxiv.org/pdf/1604.02980), September 2015. [23 citations]

**Efficient Probabilistic Memory Safety**, E. Berger and B. Zorn. UMass CS Technical Report TR-07-17, March 2007.

**HeapShield: Library-Based Heap Overflow Protection for Free**,  
E. Berger. UMass CS Technical Report TR-06-28, June 2006. [17 citations]

**Custom Object Layout for Garbage-Collected Languages**, G. Novark, T. Strohman, and E. Berger. UMass CS Technical Report, TR-06-06, January 2006. [6 citations]

**Optimizing Shell Scripting Languages**, E. Berger. UMass CS Technical Report TR-03-09, November 2003.

**Detecting Errors with Whole-Program Configurable Dataflow Analysis**,  
S. Guyer, E. Berger, and C. Lin. UTCS Technical Report TR-02-04, January 2002.  
[16 citations]

**FP + OOP = Haskell**, E. Berger. UTCS Technical Report TR-92-30, January 1992.  
[7 citations]

# Patents

US Patent #10,102,241, E. Berger and B. Zorn, “Detecting errors in spreadsheets”, issued 10/16/2018

US Patent #7,802,232, E. Berger and B. Zorn, “Software robustness through search for robust runtime implementations”, 9/21/2010 [4 citations]

“Automatic error fixes for high-availability applications”, D. Barowy, E. Berger, C. Curtsinger, and R. Rabbah, application filed 11/2017.

E. Berger and B. Zorn, “Software variation for robustness through randomized execution contexts”, application filed 3/31/2006

# Research Support

E. Berger (PI), **SHF: S3:Statistical and Structural Analysis for Spreadsheets**, National Science Foundation, $347,400, 9/2016-8/2019

E. Berger (PI), S. Freund (PI), **XPS: SDA: SCORE: Scalability-Oriented Optimization**, National Science Foundation, $648,000, 9/2015-8/2019

E. Berger (PI). Facebook Faculty Research Award, $30,000, 6/2017–unlimited

E. Berger (PI), **System Resiliency**, Raytheon Corporation, $100,000, 12/2016-12/2017

E. Berger (PI), T. Wood (PI), **TWC: EVADE: Evidence-Assisted Detection and Elimination of Security Vulnerabilities**, National Science Foundation, $250,000, 9/2015-8/2017

E. Berger (PI), Alexandra Meliou, **EAGER: Data Debugging**, National Science Foundation, CCF-1349784, $150,000, 9/2013-3/2015

E. Berger (PI), **EAGER: Programming the Crowd**, National Science Foundation, CCF-1144520, $300,002, 8/2011-8/2013

E. Berger (PI), **CheckCell: Data Debugging for Spreadsheets**, Microsoft Software Engineering Innovation Foundation (SEIF) Award, $25,000, 3/2013-unlimited

E. Berger (PI), **Causal Profiling**,Google Research Award, $50,000, 12/2011-unlimited

E. Berger (PI), Amazon AWS Teaching Grant, $2,000, 12/2011-unlimited

E. Berger (PI), **Reliable Performance**, National Science Foundation, CCF-1012195 (collaborative with D. Jiménez, UT-San Antonio), $550,000, 8/1/2010-7/31/2012

E. Berger (PI), **Perpetually-Available Software Systems**,Gigascale Systems Research Center, $315,000, 11/1/2009-10/31/2012

E. Berger (PI), **PASS: Perpetually-Available Software Systems**,National Science Foundation CCF-0910883 (collaborative with K. McKinley, UT-Austin and M. Hicks, Maryland), $639,420, 8/1/2009-7/31/2013

F. Cazorla (PI) (Barcelona Supercomputing Center), Co-PIs: Emery Berger, Guillem Bernat (Rapitime Systems), Tullio Vardanega (University of Padua), Liliana Cucu (INRIA), Benoit Triquet (Airbus). **PROARTIS – PRObabilistic Analyzable Real-Time Systems***.* €1,810,621 (2/1/2010 – 1/31/2013), European Commission FP7-ICT-2009-4, Proposal 249100

E. Berger (PI)**, Using Multiple Cores to Improve Reliability and Security**,Intel Research Grant, $30,000, April 2007 – unlimited

E. Berger (PI), **Probabilistically Correct Execution: Hardening Applications Against Error and Attack,** National Science Foundation CNS-0615211, $300,000, 9/15/06 – 9/14/09

R. Manmatha (PI), J. Allan, E. Berger, D. Kulp, **Cluster Acquisition for Computational Research into Large Scale Data Rich Problems**,National Science FoundationCNS-0619337, $350,000, 9/1/06 – 8/31/08

E. Berger (PI)**, Using Multiple Cores to Improve Reliability and Security**,Intel Research Grant, $30,000, 4/06 – unlimited

E. Berger**,** Microsoft Research Gift, $30,000, September 2005

B. Levine (PI), E. Berger, M. Corner. **Building IA Capacity at UMass Amherst**, **DoD**, $130,000, 9/1/05 – 12/31/06

E. Berger (PI), **Cooperative System Support for Robust High Performance**,National Science Foundation CAREER Award CNS-0347339,  
 $477,000, 6/1/04 – 5/31/09

# Selected Software

**CSrankings.** CSrankings is a metrics-based ranking of top computer science institutions around the world, with checkboxes for individual areas of computer science and links to individual faculty member home pages, Google Scholar pages, and DBLP publication profiles.  
(www.csrankings.org, over 700,000 users and approximately 2K visits per day)

**The Hoard scalable memory allocator**. Hoard is a widely-deployed memory management library that provably improves the scalability and performance of multithreaded applications. Commercial users include AOL, British Telecom, Business Objects (SAP), Cisco, Credit Suisse First Boston, Entrust, Kamakura Corporation, Novell, Open Text, Pervasive Software, Philips, Plath GmbH, Reuters, Royal Bank of Canada, Quest, Sonus Networks, TIBCO, and VSNL International. The Mac OS X and IBM memory allocators are directly based on Hoard’s design.  
(www.hoard.org, over 100,000 downloads, winner of the ASPLOS 2019 Most Influential Paper award).

**DieHard***.* A system that transparently improves the reliability and security of C/C++ applications. (www.diehard-software.org, over 20,000 downloads). DieHard was the direct inspiration for the Fault-Tolerant Heap incorporated in Windows 7; DieHarder, a secure variant, inspired the security-hardening features in Windows 8.

**Heap Layers**. A flexible infrastructure for composing high-performance general and custom memory managers. (www.heaplayers.org)*.* Hoard, DieHard, and DieHarder were built using Heap Layers.

*Other software systems available at emeryberger.com/software.*

# Teaching Experience

University of Massachusetts*,**Department of Computer Science*

CMPSCI 590S: Systems for Data Science, 2016, 2017 (new class)

CMPSCI 630: Graduate Systems, 2011-2019 (new core class, PhD level)

CMPSCI 691DD: Research Methods in Empirical Computer Science, 2014-2016

CMPSCI 230: Computer Systems Principles, 2010-2011 (new required class)

CMPSCI 691W: Parallel & Concurrent Programming, Spring 2006 (new)

CMPSCI 691S: Hot Topics in Programming Languages & Systems, Fall 2005

CMPSCI 691R: Topics in Runtime Systems, Fall 2004 (new)

CMPSCI 377: Operating Systems (fully revised),

Fall 2003, Fall 2004, Fall 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2009

CMPSCI 710: Advanced Compiler Techniques (fully revised)

Spring 2003, Spring 2004

CMPSCI 691P: Robust Software Systems, Fall 2002 (new)

ISSISP’18: International Summer School on Information Security and Protection

*(course title: “Low-Level Systems Security”)*

Canberra, Australia, July 2018

Universitat Politecnica de Catalunya

*(course title: “Systems for Data Science”)*

Barcelona, Spain, July 2017

HiPEAC Summer School:Ninth International Summer School on Advanced Computer Architecture and Compilation for High-Performance and Embedded Systems

*(course title: “Software Fault Tolerance and Correction”)*

Fiuggi, Italy, July 2013

*Garbage Collection & Memory Management Summer School*University of Kent at Canterbury, UK, July 2004

# Professional Service (Leadership Roles)

**Program Chair**, ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2016

**SIGPLAN Executive Committee Member-at-Large, Awards Co-Chair and Research Highlights Chair** (elected to second three-year term), 2015–2021

**Creator and Maintainer**,CSRankings (<https://csrankings.org>), 2016–present

**Associate Editor**,ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS), 2007–2017

**Organizer and Co-Program Chair**, First Workshop on Approximate and Probabilistic Computing (APPROX) 2014

**Co-Program Chair**, USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Parallelism (HotPar), 2013

**Organizer and Program Chair**,Workshop on Determinism and Correctness in Parallelism (WoDet 3), 2012

**Co-Program Chair and Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN/SIGOPS International Conference on Virtual Execution Environments (VEE) 2010

**General Chair and Program Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Memory Systems Performance & Correctness (MSPC) 2008

**Publicity Chair**, ACM Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications (SPLASH/OOPSLA) 2013

President, **GRACS**, the computer science graduate student association of the University of Texas at Austin, 1995–1997

Developed **TEXbooks**, the official textbook site for the University of Texas at Austin, 1996–2004

# Professional Service (other)

**Program Committee Member**,International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS) 2020

**Program Committee Member**,International Symposium on Memory Management (ISMM) 2018

**Program Committee Member**,ACM Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP) 2017

**Program Committee Member**,ACM Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Systems, Languages, and Applications (SPLASH/OOPSLA) 2016

**Program Committee Member**,USENIX Security 2014

**Program Committee Member**,International Symposium on Memory Management (ISMM) 2014

**Program Committee Member**,Workshop on Determinism and Correctness in Parallelism (WoDet) 2014

**Program Committee Member**,International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS) 2014

**Program Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2013

**Program Committee Member**,Fifth Annual International Systems and Storage Conference (Systor 2012)

**Program Committee Member**,USENIX Conference on Hot Topics in Parallelism (HotPar) 2012

**Program Committee Member**,ACM Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming (PPoPP) 2012

**Program Committee Member**,Workshop on Deterministic Parallelism (WoDet) 2011

**Program Committee Member**,ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS) 2010

**Program Committee Member**,9th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI) 2010

**Program Committee Member**,Fifteenth International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS) 2010

**Program Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Languages Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2008

**Program Committee Member**, ACM Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming (PPoPP) 2008

**Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN International Symposium on Memory Management (ISMM) 2007

**Program Committee Member**, Workshop on Linguistic Support for Modern Operating Systems (PLOS) 2007

**Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Languages Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2007, Student Research Competition

**Program Committee Member**, 16th International Conference on Compiler Construction (CC) 2007

**Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN Workshop on Memory Systems Performance & Correctness (MSPC) 2006

**Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Languages Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2004

**Program Committee Member**, ACM SIGPLAN International Symposium on Memory Management (ISMM) 2004

**Program Committee Member**, Fourth International Workshop on Software and Performance (WOSP) 2004

**External Program Committee Member**,International Symposium on Computer Architecture (ISCA) 2017

**External Program Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2017

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2015

**External Review Committee Member**,International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems (ASPLOS) 2015

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Principles of Programming Languages (POPL) 2014

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2014

**External Review Committee Member**,11th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI) 2014

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2014

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications (OOPSLA) 2013

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming Languages, Systems, and Applications (OOPSLA) 2012

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Principles of Programming Languages (POPL) 2012

**External Review Committee Member**,ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Languages Design and Implementation (PLDI) 2010

**Editorial Board Member**,Science of Programming, Special Issue on Memory Management

**Reviewer**: ICSE, ASPLOS, HPCA, ICFP, ICPP, INTERACT, IPDPS, ISMM, ISPASS, JISE, JPDC, OOPSLA, PACT, PLDI, POPL, SPAA, SP&E, TOPLAS, IEEE TPDS, IEEE TOC

**Panelist:** National Science Foundation, 2006, 2007, 2012

# Ph.D. Students Supervised

John Vilk ***(Winner of Facebook PhD Fellowship, PLDI 2014 Distinguished Artifact Award, Winner of UMass CICS Outstanding Dissertation Award)***

Dan Barowy ***(Finalist for Microsoft Research Fellowship, Winner PLDI 2015 Distinguished Artifact Award, Winner of UMass CICS Outstanding Dissertation Award)*** (Assistant Professor, Williams College)

Charlie Curtsinger ***(Winner of Google Research Fellowship, Honorable Mention SIGOPS Dennis Ritchie Dissertation Award, Winner of UMass CICS Outstanding Dissertation Award)*** (Assistant Professor, Grinnell College)

Ting Yang (***Winner of UMass CS Outstanding Dissertation Award.*** First job: Intel Corp., now at Facebook)  
Gene Novark (first job: Morgan Stanley)

Matthew Hertz (first job: Assistant Professor, Canisius College)

Tongping Liu (Assistant Professor, University of Texas at San Antonio)

Breanna Devore-McDonald

Bobby Powers

# Master’s Students Supervised

Emma Tosch ***(Winner PLDI 2014 Student Research Competition; Best Paper OOPSLA 2014)***

Dimitar Gochev (2012-14)

Nitin Gupta (2010-12) (now at Facebook)

Justin Aquadro (2009-11) (now at Atalasoft)

Divya Krishnan, M.S. thesis advisor (2007-9) (now at Cisco)

Jim Cipar (co-advised with Mark Corner) (2005-7) (now at Carnegie-Mellon University)

Vitaliy Lvin, M.S. thesis advisor (2006-7) (now at Google)

Yong Yuan, M.S. thesis advisor (2003-4)

Yi (Eric) Feng, M.S. thesis advisor (2002-4) (now at Google)

Pritesh Sharma, M.S. thesis advisor (2002-3)

# Undergraduate Students Supervised

Timm Allmann

Bianca Tamaskar

Kevin Gurney

Molly McMahon

Justin Aquadro

Duane Bailey

Jacob Evans

John Gaquin

Ali Shah

Gabriel Tarasuk-Levin (Hampshire College)

Matthew Meehan

Kevin Grimaldi

Alex Kostadinov

Laura Strickman (Amherst College)

Ana Mocanu (Amherst College), senior thesis co-advisor (2002-3)

# Other Student Supervision

Baris Kasicki (EPFL), external member Ph.D. commitee

Presley Pizzo, member Ph.D. committee

Santosh Nagarakatte (University of Pennsylvania), external member Ph.D. committee

Amittai Aviram (Yale University), external member Ph.D. committee

Benjamin Ransford, member Ph.D. committee

Trevor Strohman, member Ph.D. committee (Google)

Ed Walters, member Ph.D. committee

Brendan Burns, independent study supervisor (Google)

Bhuvan Urgaonkar, member Ph.D. committee (Penn. State)

John Cavazos, member Ph.D. committee (Univ. of Delaware)

Abhishek Chandra, member Ph.D. committee (U. Minnesota)

Asjad Khan, member Ph.D. committee

Naren Sachindran, member Ph.D. committee (IBM India)

Ying Gong, Synthesis project co-advisor (2003-4)

Andrew Kielbasinski, member Honors Culminating Experience committee (2003-4)

Virginie Guionnet (Universite de La Rochelle), co-advisor (2002-3)

# Departmental & University Service

**Creator & Organizer**: UMass CS Systems Lunch: <http://systems-lunch.cs.umass.edu>, 2011–present

**Chair**: Systems Faculty Hiring, 2016–17

**Chair**: Public Relations Committee, 2012–16

**Chair**: Faculty Hiring Committee, 2011–12

**Chair**: Admissions Committee, 2009–10, 2013–15

**Chair**: Distinguished Lecture Series Committee, 2010–11

**Co-chair**: Admissions Committee, 2003–5

**Co-chair**: Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2016–17

**Member**: Promotion and Tenure Committee (2015–18), University Academic Honesty Board (2013–18), Faculty Hiring Committee, (2013–14), Awards Committee (2010–11), Strategic Planning Committee (2007), Website Committee (2006–7), Curriculum Committee (2005–6), Faculty Recruiting Committee (2004–7), Personnel Committee (2003–4), Admissions Committee (2002–2003), Computing Committee (2002–3), Ad Hoc Graduate Curriculum committee (2002–3), Outreach Committee (2006)

**Ex-Officio Member**: Development Committee & Strategic Planning Committee (2012–15).

**Representative**: University Library Committee, 2006–7.

**Panel member**: Professionalism Seminar on Job Hunting

**Panel member**: Professionalism Seminar on Ethics

**Speaker**: Lab Description Seminar (2002, 2004, 2005, 2006)

**Moderator**: Panel Discussion, CS Saturday (2005)

# Keynotes and Distinguished Invited Lectures

**Keynote:** “Performance Matters”, VEE 2018, March 2018

**Keynote:** “Virtualizing the Browser”, VEE 2015, March 2015

**Distinguished Speaker:** “Programming Language Technology for the Sciences”, Texas A&M, April 2015

**Distinguished Colloquium Speaker:** “Programming Language Technology for the Sciences”, UCSD, December 2014

**Keynote:** “Programming with People”, ETAPS Conference, March 2013

**Distinguished Colloquium Speaker:** “Programming with People”, UCSD, December 2014

**Distinguished Colloquium Speaker:** “Programming with People”, ETH-Zürich, December 2012

# Legal Consulting

Summit 6, LLC v. **HTC Corp., et al.**, Case No. 7:14-CV-00014-O;  
Summit 6, LLC v. **Apple Inc.**, Case No. 7:14-CV-00106

United States District Court, Northern District of Texas, Wichita Falls Division

Reviewed patent, December 2014

Prepared expert report, January 2015

Deposition, January 2015

# Miscellaneous

Natural languages: native English speaker, fluent speaker of Spanish, Catalan, and French.

US and EU citizen.