Fangyi Zhou (周方易)

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EXPERIENCE

Applied Scientist/Software Development Engineer Amazon Prime Video, UK

May 2023 — present

As a software development engineer, I work in the Studios AI Lab team on building an application for extracting and processing information from documents using Large Language Models (LLM).

Before Nov 2023, I worked as an applied scientist in the Automated Reasoning team on building a static analyser for TypeScript.

Skills: Amazon Web Services, Python, TypeScript, Scala, Docker, System design, DevOps, Rapid prototyping

Research Assistant Imperial College London/University of Oxford, UK

Sep 2019 — Mar 2023

I worked in the Mobility Research Group under the supervision of Professor Nobuko Yoshida, published high-quality research papers in programming language conferences, including a distinguished paper at ECOOP '23. (Sep 2019 — Sep 2022 at Imperial, Oct 2022 – Mar 2023 at Oxford due to supervisor moved)

Skills: OCaml, Docker, LATEX, Source code generation, Program verification, Research paper writing

Graduate Teaching Assistant Imperial College London, UK

Oct 2019 — Jun 2022

Software Engineering Intern (Industrial Placement) Facebook, UK

Apr 2018 — Sep 2018

I worked in Hack Language team on implementing new experimental language features, and in Sapienz team on improving categorisation of crashes of mobile applications.

Skills: OCaml, Python

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Imperial College London, UK

Oct 2017 — Mar 2018

Research Intern Arm, UK

Jul 2017 — Sep 2017

I worked in Security Research Group on specification and verification of data structures used in hypervisor software for embedded systems.

Skills: C, Bounded Model Checking

EDUCATION

PhD in Computing Imperial College London

Sep 2019 — Aug 2023 (Awarded Mar 2024)

Thesis Title: Refining Multiparty Session Types

Topics: Multiparty Session Types, Refinement Types, Distributed Systems, Programming Languages

MEng in Computing Imperial College London (1st Class Honours, Overall 86.89%)

Oct 2015 — Jun 2019

Dean's List for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4

Awards: Adrian Israel Memorial Prize, Corporate Partnership Programme Prize, G-Research Ltd Prize, Corporate Partnership Programme Award, Governors' Prize (for **best overall performance**)

COURSE CERTIFICATE

Machine Learning Specialization by Stanford University & DeepLearning.AI on Coursera.

Oct 2023

Deep Learning Specialization by DeepLearning.AI on Coursera.

Nov 2023

PUBLICATION

- [1] F. Zhou. "Refining multiparty session types". PhD thesis. Imperial College London, 2024. DOI: 10.25560/
- [2] A. D. Barwell, P. Hou, N. Yoshida, and F. Zhou. "Designing Asynchronous Multiparty Protocols with Crash-Stop Failures". In: *37th European Conference on Object-Oriented Programming (ECOOP 2023)*. Vol. 263. LIPIcs. Received **Distinguished Paper Award**. 2023, 1:1–1:30. DOI: 10.4230/LIPIcs.ECOOP.2023.1.

- [3] A. D. Barwell, A. Scalas, N. Yoshida, and F. Zhou. "Generalised Multiparty Session Types with Crash-Stop Failures". In: 33rd International Conference on Concurrency Theory (CONCUR 2022). Vol. 243. LIPIcs. 2022, 35:1–35:25. DOI: 10.4230/LIPIcs.CONCUR.2022.35.
- [4] A. Miu, F. Ferreira, N. Yoshida, and F. Zhou. "Communication-Safe Web Programming in TypeScript with Routed Multiparty Session Types". In: *Proceedings of the 30th ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Compiler Construction*. CC 2021. ACM, 2021, pp. 94–106. DOI: 10.1145/3446804.3446854.
- [5] N. Yoshida, F. Zhou, and F. Ferreira. "Communicating Finite State Machines and an Extensible Toolchain for Multiparty Session Types". In: *Fundamentals of Computation Theory*. Cham: Springer International Publishing, 2021, pp. 18–35. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-86593-1_2.
- [6] A. Miu, F. Ferreira, N. Yoshida, and F. Zhou. "Generating Interactive WebSocket Applications in TypeScript". In: Proceedings of the 12th International Workshop on *Programming Language Approaches to Concurrency- and Communication-cEntric Software*. Vol. 314. EPTCS. 2020, pp. 12–22. DOI: 10.4204/EPTCS.314.2.
- [7] F. Zhou, F. Ferreira, R. Hu, R. Neykova, and N. Yoshida. "Statically Verified Refinements for Multiparty Protocols". In: *Proc. ACM Program. Lang.* 4.OOPSLA (Nov. 2020). DOI: 10.1145/3428216.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

- Programme Committee: ICE 2023, CC 2025
- Artifact Evaluation Committee: COORDINATION 2024
- Reviewer: PLACES 2022
- Translation: Programming Language Foundations in Agda (Simplified Chinese)

SKILL

Programming TypeScript, Python, OCaml, Scala ... **Languages** Chinese (Mandarin), English, German, Japanese

Last Updated: October 2024