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General Information

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Languages

Greek: Native English: C2 (2010)

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Education

2013-2021 M.Eng. in Computer Science and Engineering

University of Ioannina

Master of Engineering program at the Computer Science & Engineering Department (CSED), School of Engineering, University of Ioannina (UOI). Thesis title: "Syncrhonization in OpenMP for manycore systems" [WIP]

Advisor: Vassilios V. Dimakopoulos

Work Experience

10/2013-02/2016 Computer and Network Technician

CSED, University of Ioannina

The Computer Systems Support Group provides assistant work in the management of departmental computing resources, develops software applications for departmental use & aids in the operation of educational computer laboratories. (In the last two months I conducted my internship)

Research Groups

02/2015-Present Parallel Processing Group (PPG)

CSED, University of Ioannina

PPG's main research interests lie in the area of parallel and distributed systems. For more information visit: paragroup.cse.uoi.gr I am also the lead system administrator of PPG since 2016.

Projects

09/2017-08/2018 PRACE-5IP

National Infrastructures for Research & Technology (GRNET)

I participated as a parallel programming instructor in the first year of operation of the Partnership for Advanced Computing in Europe (PRACE) Training Centre (PTC) established by GRNET.

Teaching Assistance

2016-2021

Systems Programming (core undergraduate) CSED, University of Ioannina The C programming language and POSIX systems programming using C. Semesters: Fall 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (remote due to COVID-19)

Programming Skills

- General-purpose programming: C, Java SE, Python
- Shells: Bash, Bourne Shell
- Parallel programming: POSIX threads, OpenMP, MPI
- Systems programming: GNU/Linux
- GPIO library: WiringPi (for Raspberry Pi)
- · Scientific computing: GNU Octave
- Other tools: Portable Hardware Locality (hwloc)

I am also familiar with MIPS Assembly, C++, Haskell, JavaFX, JUnit and Apache Lucene.

Computing Skills

- Backup Tool: Attic
- Databases: Round Robin Database (RRDtool)
- Hypervisors: VirtualBox, VMware ESXi, VMware Workstation
- Operating Systems: GNU/Linux (Debian-based distributions)
- Packet Analyzer: Wireshark
- Server Administration: Debian, Raspberry Pi OS, CentOS
- Single Board Computer: Raspberry Pi
- Version Control System: Git, Gitolite (Git Repository Hosting)

Software Projects

06/2016-Present OMPi compiler

Parallel Processing Group, CSED, UOI

An open source OpenMP compiler and runtime system for *C*. A major contribution of mine was the implementation of hardware topology detection and of thread affinity policies according to the OpenMP specification. For more information visit: cse.uoi.gr/~ompi

02/2018-02/2021 MARS Stack Visualizer

CSED, University of Ioannina

A tool for MIPS Assembler and Runtime Simulator (MARS) that allows real time visualization of stack segment modification operations. Thesis topic provided by Aris Efthymiou; conducted as a side project. For more information visit: gzachos.com/mars-stack-visualizer

16-20/04/2016 Implementation of FSS policy in MINIX

CSED, University of Ioannina

During the Operating Systems course, I extended the system kernel of MINIX 3.2.0 to support the fair-share scheduling (FSS) policy.

01/2015-02/2016 Aeolus Logger

Computer Systems Support Group, CSED, UOI

This project is about the implementation of a logging system and it's integration with Emerson cooling units, so that it can be used to monitor the environmental conditions of the cluster room in CSE Department.

Repositories

- Backup-script [BASH] gzachos.com/backup-script
 - A shell script that backups the directories specified in the configuration section and manages old backup files.
- Door-monitor [C] gzachos.com/door-monitor
 - Door status monitoring and email notification system using Raspberry Pi.
- Nla-course-uoi [C, Octave] gzachos.com/nla-course-uoi
 - Implementation of the Cholesky decomposition, Steepest Descent and Conjugate Gradients methods for solving linear systems.
- Compilers-course-uoi [Python] gzachos.com/compilers-course-uoi
 - A compiler implementation for a minimal programming language that has borrowed its characteristics from C and Pascal, targeting the MIPS32 ISA.
- Cgis-course-uoi [C++] gzachos.com/cgis-course-uoi
 - OpenGL application for polygon drawing, coloring, clipping and 3D extrusion.

For a full list of my publicly available repositories visit my GitHub profile.

Honors and Awards

21/10/2016 Recognition Award

The Dean of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering awarded me for my contribution to the Computer Systems Support Group.

19/11/2015 Contribution Award Greek Free and Open Source Software Society Awared for the localization of Elgg social networking engine.

Seminars

Participated as a speaker

University of Ioannina IEEE Student Branch
Participated in two seminars covering various GNU/Linux-related topics.

Organizations

6/2014-Present Greek Free and Open Source Software Society (GFOSS)