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Research Interests

· Memory and Storage Systems

• Managed Languages and Runtimes

• Garbage Collection

Research Experience_

ICS-FORTH Heraklion, Greece

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Sep. 2017 - Present

- Evaluate approaches to expanding memory address space for JVM-based large-scale data analytics frameworks using fast storage devices. • Implement an extra storage level on Apache Spark to cache data off-heap on non-volatile memories.
- Design of TeraHeap, a system that extends the JVM to use a a second high-capacity managed heap over an NVMe SSD alongside the regular heap in DRAM to reduce memory pressure in big data frameworks.
- · Design of FlexHeap, a memory partitioning system in the JVM that dynamically divides a fixed DRAM budget between the managed heap and the page cache.
- Supervision: Angelos Bilas and Polyvios Pratikakis

ICS-FORTH Heraklion, Greece Jan. 2017 - Aug. 2017

Undergraduate Research Assistant

- Schedule techniques for data placement for large scale graph analytics (Apache Spark GraphX).
- Supervisor: Polyvios Pratikakis

Industrial Experience

SAP HANA VORA Walldorf, Germany

INTERN RESEARCH STUDENT • Improve/Enhance the Data Structure of the Syntax Tree of the SQL Parser

Huawei Research Center Munich

PHD INTERN RESEARCH STUDENT Jun. 2022 - Sep. 2022

• Managed Runtime on Disagregated Memory Environments

Education

University of Crete Heraklion, Greece Ph.D in Computer Science Jan 2021 - Present

• Advisor: Angelos Bilas, Co-advisors: Polyvios Pratikakis, Shoaib Akram

• Thesis Topic: TeraCache: Efficient Caching over Fast Storage Devices

University of Crete Heraklion, Greece

M.Sc. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sep. 2017 - Oct 2020

Jun. 2019 - Sep. 2019

• **GPA:** 9.43/10

• Supervision: Polyvios Pratikakis and Angelos Bilas

University of Crete Heraklion, Greece

B.Sc. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Sep. 2011 - Jul. 2017

• **GPA:** 7.62/10 (9th out of 65 in B.Sc. Graduates 2017)

• Thesis Topic: Locality optimizations for distributed graph analytics computations

• Supervisor: Polyvios Pratikakis

Publications

Full Papers / Articles

Iacovos G. Kolokasis, Giannos Evdorou, Shoaib Akram, Christos Kozanitis, Anastasios Papagiannis, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. TeraHeap: Exploiting Flash Storage for Mitigating DRAM Pressure in Managed Big Data Frameworks. ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS).

Iacovos G. Kolokasis, Giannos Evdorou, Shoaib Akram, Christos Kozanitis, Anastasios Papagiannis, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. TeraHeap: Reducing Memory Presure in Managed Big Data Frameworks. In Proceedings of the 28th ACM International Conference on Architectural Support for Programming Languages and Operating Systems, Volume 3 (ASPLOS '23), March 25–29, 2023, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

lacovos G. Kolokasis, Anastasios Papagiannis, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. Say Goodbye to Off-heap Caches! On-heap Caches Using Memory-Mapped I/O. In Presented as part of the 12th USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Storage and File Systems (HotStorage '20), Boston, MA, 2020. USENIX. (**Best Presentation Award**)

lacovos G. Kolokasis and Polyvios Pratikakis. Cut to Fit: Tailoring the Partitioning to the Computation. 2nd Joint International Workshop on Graph Data Management Experiences & Systems (GRADES) and Network Data Analytics (NDA), June 30-July 2019, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Posters

Iacovos G. Kolokasis, Shoaib Akram, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. DynaHeap: Dynamic Division of DRAM between Heterogeneous Managed Heaps. 19th European Conference on Computer Systems (EuroSys '24).

lacovos G. Kolokasis, Shoaib Akram, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. DynaHeap: Dynamic Division of DRAM between Heterogeneous Managed Heaps. 29th ACM Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP '23).

lacovos G. Kolokasis, Anastasios Papagiannis, Foivos Zakkak, Shoaib Akram, Christos Kozanitis, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas.TeraCache: Efficient Caching over Fast Storage Devices. MSR Cambridge PhD Virtual Workshop on Next-Generation Cloud Infrastructure'21.

Iacovos G. Kolokasis, Anastasios Papagiannis, Foivos Zakkak, Polyvios Pratikakis, and Angelos Bilas. Garbage Collection or Serialization? Between a Rock and a Hard Place! 16th International Summer School on Advanced Computer Architecture and Compilation for High-Performance and Embedded Systems (ACACES).

Technical Reports

lacovos G. Kolokasis and Polyvios Pratikakis. Cut to Fit: Tailoring the Partitioning to the Computation. Technical Report 469, ICS – FORTH, Apr 2018

Honors & Awards

Sep. 2024 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Independent Power Transmission Operator (ADMIE) Jan. 2024 Award , HiPEAC 2023 Paper Award	Heraklion
Oct. 2023 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship to attend SOSP 2023 conference	Koblenz, Germany
Mar. 2023 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship to attend ASPLOS 2023 conference	Vancouver, Canada
2022 - 2024 Scholarship , Received a Meta (Facebook) PhD fellowship	US
Scholarship, Received a TA scholarship from the Special Account for Research Funds (E.L.K.E) of the National and Kapodistrian University during Spring semester'2022	Heraklion,Greece
2021 - 2024 Scholarship , Received a PhD fellowship from Cyprus State Scholarship Foundation	Nicosia, Cyprus
Jan. 2022 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship to attend ASPLOS 2022 conference	Lausanne, Switzerland
Dec. 2021 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Independent Power Transmission Operator (ADMIE)	Heraklion
Jul. 2021 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Usenix Association to attend OSDI 2021 conference	Virtual Conference
Feb. 2021 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Usenix Association to attend FAST 2021 conference	Virtual Conference
Dec. 2020 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Independent Power Transmission Operator (ADMIE)	Heraklion
Jul. 2020 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Usenix Association to attend SOSP 2020 conference	Virtual Conference
Sep. 2020 Scholarship , Received Scolarship from Independent Power Transmittion Operator (IPTO)	Heraklion, Greece
Jul. 2020 Award , Received Best Presentation Award in HotStorage 2020	Virtual Conference
Jul. 2020 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Usenix Association to ATC 2020 conference	Virtual Conference
Oct. 2019 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from Huawei to attend SOSP 2019 conference	Ontario, Canada
Sep. 2018 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from SAP SE to attend the 6^{th} Heidelberg Laureate Forum	Heidelberg, Germany
Jul. 2018 Scholarship , Received a full scholarship from HiPEAC to attend the 14^{th} ACACES Summer School	Fiuggi, Italy
Mar. 2017 Scholarship , Received five full graduate research scholarships from ICS–FORTH while I was working on my master thesis	Heraklion, Crete
Jul. 2017 Scholarship , Received a full undergraduate research scholarship from ICS–FORTH (3 months) while I was working on my thesis	Heraklion, Crete
Sep. 2012 Scholarship , My second year at the university was supported fully by fellowships "Stelios Orphanoudakis" Jun. 2009 Finalist , Programming contest organized by CYTA	Heraklion, Greece Nicosia, Cyprus

Service_

Mar. 2025 Member , EuroSys'25 Artifact Evaluation Committee	Rotterdam
Jul. 2022- Present Member, JSys Artifact Evaluation Committee	
Oct. 2022 Member of Organization Committee, 2nd Career Day CSD, UoC	Heraklion, Greece
Apr. 2022 Member , EuroSys'22 Shadow Program Committee	Virtual
Jul. 2021 Member , OSDI'21 Artifact Evaluation Committee	Virtual
Apr. 2021 Member , ASPLOS'21 Artifact Evaluation Committee	Virtual
Apr. 2021 Member , EuroSys'21 Artifact Evaluation Committee	Edinburgh
Feb. 2021 Member of Organization Committee, 1st Career Day CSD, UoC	Heraklion, Greece
2019 - Present Student Member, Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)	
Apr. 2021 Volunteer (Host social media), EuroSys 2021	Edinburgh, UK
Jun. 2020 Volunteer (Host zoom sessions), 2nd Summit on Gender Equality in Computing (GEC 2020)	Virtual Conference
Apr. 2020 Volunteer (Lead EuroSys'20 Slack workspace and be a co-host in zoom sessions), EuroSys 2020	Virtual Conference
Mar. 2020 Member , ASPLOS'20 Artifact Evaluation Committee	Switzerland
Oct. 2019 Co-head of Organization Committee, 1st Graduate Students Conference CSD, UoC	Heraklion, Greece
Sep. 2019 Deputy Graduate Students Representative , Computer Science Dept., University of Crete (2019-2020)	Heraklion, Greece
Jan. 2018 Graduate Students' Association Representative , Computer Science Dept., University of Crete (2018-2020)	Heraklion, Greece
May 2012 Public Relation Officer , Board Council of the Cypriot Students' Union (2012-2015)	Heraklion, Greece

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