GUANZHOU HU

WORK EXPERIENCE

Applied Scientist (incoming) in Amazon S3 Team, Amazon Web Services Aug 2025 - Present • Starting soon Seattle, WA, USA Applied Scientist Intern in Amazon S3 Team, Amazon Web Services May 2024 - Aug 2024 • Managers: James Bornholt, Andrew Warfield Seattle, WA, USA • Topic: Cloud Storage Systems & Automated Reasoning, Cloud Storage for AI Workloads Research Intern in SOLAR Lab, CSST Program, UCLA Jun 2019 - Sep 2019 • Advisors: John Thorpe, Prof. Guoqing Harry Xu Los Angeles, CA, USA

• Topic: Affordable & Scalable Serverless ML Training Systems (awarded Outstanding Research)

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Ph.D. in Computer Sciences

GPA: 4.00 / 4.00 Aug 2020 - Jul 2025 Madison, WI, USA

GPA: 3.90 / 4.00

- Advisors: Prof. Andrea Arpaci-Dusseau and Prof. Remzi Arpaci-Dusseau
- Research area: Distributed Systems, Fault-tolerance, Cloud Infrastructure, Operating Systems
- Dissertation title: Cloud Consensus Protocols with Optimistic Connectivity

Massachusetts Institute of Technology GPA: 4.00 / 4.00 Sep 2019 - Jul 2020 Special Student in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science Cambridge, MA, USA • Honors: Overseas Study Scholarship (2019)

ShanghaiTech University

B. Eng. in Computer Science & Technology

• Honors: President's Scholarship (2017, 2018), Dean's Scholarship (2019)

PUBLICATIONS

In submn. [Title fuzzed] A consensus protocol achieving remarkably strong read semantics. G. Hu et al. In submn. [Title fuzzed] A replication protocol for an unaddressed type of workloads. G. Hu et al.

SIGMOD '26 Efficient Coordination for Autoscaling Cloud DBMS. (to appear) W. Hu, G. Hu, M. Balakrishnan, X. Yu.

FAST '23 MadFS: Per-File Virtualization for Userspace Persistent Memory Filesystems. S. Zhong, C. Ye, G. Hu, S. Qu, A. Arpaci-Dusseau, R. Arpaci-Dusseau, M. Swift.

OSDI '21 Dorylus: Affordable, Scalable, and Accurate GNN Training with Distributed CPUs and Serverless Threads. J. Thorpe, Y. Qiao, J. Eyolfson, S. Teng, G. Hu, Z. Jia, J. Wei, K. Vora, R. Netravali, M. Kim, and G. Xu.

The Storage Hierarchy is Not a Hierarchy: Optimizing Caching on Modern Storage Devices with Orthus. FAST '21 K. Wu, Z. Guo, G. Hu, K. Tu, R. Alagappan, R. Sen, K. Park, A. Arpaci-Dusseau, and R. Arpaci-Dusseau.

SC '20 BORA: A Bag Optimizer for Robotic Analysis. J. Zhang, T. Xie, Y. Jing, Y. Song, G. Hu, S. Chen, and S. Yin.

Preprint A Unified and Practical Model of Non-transactional Consistency Levels in Distributed Replication. G. Hu, A. Arpaci-Dusseau, R. Arpaci-Dusseau. arXiv 2024.

Preprint Foreactor: Exploiting Storage I/O Parallelism with Explicit Speculation. G. Hu, A. Arpaci-Dusseau, R. Arpaci-Dusseau. arXiv 2024.

Patent A Storage System Management Policy Based on Data Content Locality. S. Yin and G. Hu. 2019. CN. Patent number ZL 2019 1 0499391.9, licensed November 25, 2022.

SERVICES & AWARDS

• ACM Student Member & ACM SIGOPS Member

Sep 2021 - Present

Sep 2016 - Jul 2020

Shanghai, China

• Information & Computation Journal Reviewer

Nov 2024 Feb 2023

• FAST '23 Student Travel Grant • FAST '22 External Reviewer

Oct 2021

• ASC Supercomputing Competition Second Prize (GeekPie_HPC team leader)

Mar 2019

• Artifact Evaluation Committee: OSDI '25, USENIX ATC '25, FAST '25, SOSP '24, OSDI '24, USENIX ATC '24

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant at UW-Madison

Fa 2020, Sp 2021, Sp 2025

• Courses: Computer Architecture, Operating Systems, Advanced Distributed Systems

Madison, WI, USA

Teaching Assistant at ShanghaiTech University

Sp 2018, Fa 2018, Sp 2019

• Courses: Discrete Math, Computer Architecture, Operating Systems (awarded Outstanding TA) Shanghai, China