# Zichen Zhu

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#### **EDUCATION**

Boston University Sep 2019 – Present

- PhD candidate in MiDAS group, Computer Science, Boston University
- Research Interest: Database, Heterogeneous Information Network and Graph Algorithms

Advisor: Prof. Manos Athanassoulis, Assistant Professor of Computer Science at Boston University

Hong Kong University

Sep 2017 - Aug 2019

- MPhil in Database group, Computer Science
- Advisor: Prof. Reynold Cheng, Associate Professor of Computer Science at the University of Hong Kong

Tsinghua University Sep 2013 – July 2017

Bachelor of Software Engineering

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Data System Laboratory, SEAS, Harvard University, U.S.

June 2016 - Oct 2016 & July 2018 - Present

*Advisor*: *Prof. Stratos Idreos*, Assistant Professor of Computer Science at the Harvard John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences

Research Assistant Intern: Derive a more accurate model for lookup cost in Fluid LSM-Tree; Implement & Improve AutoTune in Monkey to optimize configuration parameters in LSM-Tree-based key-value store

Cloud Computing Group, Institute of Trustworthy Networks and Systems, Tsinghua

Aug 2015 – Jun 2017

Advisor: Zhenhua Li, Assistant Professor of Cloud Computing Group, Institute of Trustworthy Networks and Systems, Tsinghua University

Research Assistant: Establish the iDashBoard system, a private cloud platform to provide elastic virtual computing service & optimize the offline downloading redirector

Users and Relation Group, Weibo Corporation, China

*May 2017 – Aug 2017* 

System Developer Intern: Design & Create a middleware to support RPC and API verification between different platforms, also in charge of offline abnormal behaviors detection and analysis

### **PAPERS**

**Evaluating Top-k Meta Path Queries on Large Heterogeneous Information Networks** 

*Nov 2017 – June 2018* 

- IEEE International Conference on Data Mining (ICDM) 2018
- Authors: Zichen Zhu, Reynold Cheng, Loc Do, Zhipeng Huang, Hoaci Zhang

Design Continuums and the Path Toward Self-Designing Key-Value Stores that Know and Learn

July 2017 - Oct 2018

- The biennial Conference on Innovative Data Systems Research (CIDR) 2019
- Authors: Stratos Idreos, Niv Dayan, Wilson Qin, Mali Akmanalp, Sophie Hilgard, Andrew Ross, James Lennon, Varun Jain, Harshita Gupta, David Li, Zichen Zhu

More projects can be seen in my GitHub: github.com/littlepig2013

# **AWARDS**

- Nomination for Li Ka Shing Awards for Outstanding Research Postgraduate Student in Hong Kong University
- IEEE ICDM 2018 Student Travel Award
- Second prize in National Cloud Computing Application Innovation Contest 2016 (The 4<sup>th</sup> Place of 615 groups)
- First prize of Huayu Scholarship in Software department of Tsinghua University in 2016

## **SKILLS**

**Programming:** C++/C/Python/Java/JavaScript/Erlang/Haskell/; **Web Development**: HTML/CSS/Django/Flask/CodeIgniter **Database**: Oracle/Cassandra/Redis/Bitcask/MySQL; **Distributed**: MapReduce/Spark/Giraph/PregelPlus