

Jianshen Liu

SOFTWARE ENGINEER · COMPUTATIONAL STORAGE, SMARTNIC, AND DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM EXPERT

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Skills

DevOps	AWS, Jupyter Notebook, Docker, Vagrant, Jenkins, Git, Mercurial, Maven, Gradle, VSCode, IntelliJ IDEA, CI/CD
Back-end	Linux Kernel, eBPF, DPDK, Ceph, Hadoop, MySQL, RocksDB, Ansible, FlameGraph, Apache Arrow, NVMe, Distributed Systems
Programming	C++, Python, Java, Bash, SQL, PHP, C#, Javascript, LaTeX, Vimscript
Languages	English, Cantonese, Mandarin
Others	Patience, Open-Mindedness, Active Listening, Easily Adaptable, Agile Methodologies

Work Experience

University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, USA

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHER

Jan 2016 - Present

- Conducting research on offloading distributed data management to computational storage devices
- Working with Sandia National Laboratories to improve network data flow management in HPC with SmartNICs
- Implemented the Bitar library to speed up compression with hardware accelerator by 8x
- Developed the no_fscache kernel model to solve page cache pollution before RWF_UNCACHED was introduced into the POSIX API

KIOXIA America, Inc.

San Jose, USA

STRATEGIC MARKETING ENGINEER INTERN

Jun 2020 - Sep 2020

- Quantified the performance benefit (>10x speedup) of offloading SQL query processing to SSDs using the TPC-H benchmark
- Reported monthly to the senior vice president
- Invited discussions on cross-team projects to identify performance issues
- Delivered a white paper to summarize the findings used by internal strategic planning

Samsung Semiconductor

San Jose, USA

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS ENGINEER INTERN

Jul 2019 - Sep 2019

- Constructed a test framework to automate the performance evaluation for Samsung Network KV devices
- Created eBPF- and kprobe-based tools to enhance the performance observability of the device API
- Identified major system bottlenecks with the tools developed, resolving issues boosted the write performance by 60%

Wumii Technology

Shenzhen, China

ANDROID DEVELOPMENT TEAM LEAD

Dec 2012 - Jun 2014

- Led and engineered the first reading recommendation app (among the top 25 social apps) in China
- Implemented an energy-efficient and highly available Paho MQTT-based notification module that outperformed commercial solutions in terms of latency by 35%

SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Jun 2010 - Dec 2012

- Worked as a core engineer to develop the first news recommendation system in China
- Drove the system design to handle distributed requests and key components for code obfuscation
- Established a framework for displaying article recommendations across different platforms, achieved 200 million monthly active users

Education

University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, USA

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.), COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

2016 - Present

Grade: 3.95 / 4.00

South China Agricultural University

Guangzhou, China

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS), INFORMATION AND COMPUTING SCIENCE

2006 - 2010

Grade: 3.45 / 4.00

Honors & Awards

Sep 2022	Outstanding Student Paper , IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing (HPEC) (top 5%)	Virtual Conference
Oct 2009	National Encouragement Scholarship , South China Agricultural University	Guangzhou, China
Oct 2009	The Second Prize Scholarship , South China Agricultural University (top 10%)	Guangzhou, China
Oct 2008	State Grants , South China Agricultural University	Guangzhou, China
Oct 2008	The Second Prize Scholarship , South China Agricultural University (top 10%)	Guangzhou, China

Publications

Processing Particle Data Flows with SmartNICs

Liu Jianshen, Maltzahn Carlos, Curry Matthew L. Ulmer Craig

26th Annual 2022 IEEE High Performance Extreme Computing (IEEE-HPEC 2022), 2022, Virtual Conference

Performance Characteristics of the BlueField-2 SmartNIC

Jianshen Liu, Carlos Maltzahn, Craig Ulmer, Matthew Leon Curry

arXiv preprint arXiv:2105.06619 (2021). 2021

Implementing a Kernel Module to Eliminating External Caching Effects

Jianshen Liu

The Center for Research in Open Source Software (CROSS), 2020

Scale-out Edge Storage Systems with Embedded Storage Nodes to Get Better Availability and {Cost-Efficiency} At the Same Time

Jianshen Liu, Matthew Leon Curry, Carlos Maltzahn, Philip Kufeldt

3rd USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Edge Computing (HotEdge'20), 2020

MBWU: Benefit Quantification for Data Access Function Offloading

Jianshen Liu, Philip Kufeldt, Carlos Maltzahn

International Conference on High Performance Computing (HPC-IODC 2019), 2019, Springer, Cham

Presentations & Posters

Experience of using the BlueField-2 DPU

Presented at Sandia National Laboratories, 2022

Processing Particle Data Flows with SmartNICs

Presented at UC Santa Cruz Open Source Symposium, 2022

Eusocial Storage Devices

Presented at KIOXIA America Inc., Seagate Technology, and Fujitsu America Inc. 2020

MBWU (MibeeWu): Quantifying benefits of offloading data management to storage devices

Poster Session at 17th USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST'19), 2019

Quantifying benefits of offloading data management to storage devices

Poster Session at 2019 OCP Global Summit Symposium, 2019

Certifications

Jan 2022 **CruzHacks Mentor Certificate**, CruzHacks

Santa Cruz, USA

Dec 2020 **Graduate Student Professional Communication Certificate**, University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, USA

Program Committees

CruzHacks

Santa Cruz, USA

TECH MENTOR

Jan 2020, Jan 2021

Mentored hackers to build web applications to solve real-world problems

Center for Research in Open Source Software (CROSS)

Santa Cruz, USA

WORKSHOP CHAIR

Oct 2021, Oct 2020

Chaired the SmartNICs and Eusocial Storage Devices workshop at the 5th and 6th CROSS Research Symposium at UC Santa Cruz