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EDUCATION University of Washington

Seattle, WA

Ph.D., Computer Science and Engineering

2019

Advisor: Arvind Krishnamurhty

Thesis: Optimizing Distributed Systems using Machine Learning

University of Washington

Seattle, WA

M.S., Computer Science and Engineering

2015

Advisor: Carlos Guestrin

Thesis: Towards Geo-Distributed Machine Learning

Universidad Tecnológica Nacional

Córdoba, Argentina

2015 2014

M.Eng., Systems Engineering

Advisors: Eduardo Destéfanis and Mario Groppo Thesis: Distributed System for Collective Intelligence

Universidad Tecnológica Nacional Specialization, Systems Engineering

Córdoba, Argentina

2011

Advisor: Mario Groppo Thesis: Augmented Cordoba

Universidad Blas Pascal

Córdoba, Argentina

B.Eng., Telecommunications Engineering

2008

Advisor: Héctor Risso

Industry Experience Google

Seattle, WA

Software Engineer

2019-present

Working in the Cloud Platform group.

Google

Mountain View, CA

Ph.D. Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2017

With Andrey Gubichev

Worked in the F1 team applying machine learning techniques to improve F1's query optimizer. In particular, we trained models for predicting cardinality of query (sub)plans as well as query runtime.

- Improved correlation of current cost model significantly (more than 3x).
- Reduced 2.5x the build size by fixing a Tensorflow Serving bug.
- Received a peer bonus from another team for helping with their ML tasks.

Nutanix Seattle, WA Member of Technical Staff Intern Spring 2016

With Srinivas Aivar

Worked on a data science project to characterize private clouds. Used machine learning techniques to improve task scheduling in Nutanix clusters.

• Performed an extensive characterization of on-premise clusters.

- Improved cluster average latency by up to 20% in simulated workloads.
- Published two papers (SoCC and NSDI).

Microsoft Redmond, WA

Research Intern

Summer 2015

With Markus Weimer

Worked in the CISL team on a project to enable efficient cross data center machine learning using Apache REEF and YARN.

- Integrated REEF with a federated version of YARN.
- Enhanced REEF to support large models (more than 100M features).
- Published two papers (NIPS LearningSys and IEEE Data Eng. Bull.).

Intel Córdoba, Argentina

Senior Software Engineer

2011-2013

Participated in various projects that mainly involved the development of Intel's Application Store, also known as Intel AppUp Center.

- Led Java and Spring Framework trainings for a team of ~ 60 people.
- Regarded as Java specialist and served as Scrum Master backup.
- Re-designed entire server components using proper design patterns.
- Received more than 10 peer bonuses for helping different team members.

Nimbuzz Córdoba, Argentina

Software Engineer

2009-2011

Worked in the development of Nimbuzz messenger for Blackberry devices. Also, involved in the development of Nimbuzz highly scalable backend services.

- Served as Team Leader backup in the Blackberry team.
- Improved performance and solved connection issues in our BB client.
- Lead developer of "Announcements" to promote the use of our clients.
- Designed and implemented services to support Nimbuzz 5M users.

Motorola Córdoba, Argentina 2008-2009

Software Engineer

Participated in the development of NBBS, Motorola's solution to remotely manage CPEs using OMA-DM and TR-069 protocols.

- Track Leader of NBBS-WiMAX, a team of 6 people.
- Designed and implemented enhancements to NBBS's OMA-DM stack.
- Followed strict protocols to comply with CMMI 5 development process.

Motorola Córdoba, Argentina 2006-2007 Intern

Participated in a mobile application (J2ME-based) project to manage personal health records using the Continuity of Care Record (CCR) standard.

Publications

- **I. Cano.** Optimizing Distributed Systems using Machine Learning. Ph.D. thesis, University of Washington. 2019.
- I. Cano, L. Chen, P. Fonseca, T. Chen, C. Cheah, K. Gupta, R. Chandra, A. Krishnamurthy. Adaptive Resource Management for Virtual Machines. Preprint. 2018.
- **I. Cano**, M. Weimer, D. Mahajan, C. Curino, G. Matteo Fumarola, A. Krishnamurthy. *Towards Geo-Distributed Machine Learning*. In IEEE Data Engineering Bulletin, Global-scale Data Management Issue. December 2017.
- I. Cano, S. Aiyar, V. Arora, M. Bhattacharyya, A. Chaganti, C. Cheah, B. Chun, K. Gupta, V. Khot, A. Krishnamurthy. Curator: Self-Managing Storage for Enterprise Clusters. In Proceedings of the Fourteenth USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI). 2017.
- **I.** Cano, S. Aiyar, A. Krishnamurthy. *Characterizing Private Clouds: A Large-Scale Empirical Analysis of Enterprise Clusters*. In Proceedings of the Seventh ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (SoCC). 2016.
- **I. Cano**, M. Weimer, D. Mahajan, C. Curino, G. Matteo Fumarola. *Towards Geo-Distributed Machine Learning*. In Neural Information Processing Systems LearningSys Workshop (NIPS). 2015.
- **I. Cano**, S. Singh, C. Guestrin. *Distributed Non-Parametric Representations for Vital Filtering: UW at TREC KBA 2014*. In Proceedings of the Twenty-Third Text Retrieval Conference (TREC). 2014.

Posters

- **I. Cano**, S. Singh, C. Guestrin. Streaming Document Filtering using Distributed Non-Parametric Representations. In Terraswarm Annual Meeting. Berkeley, 2014.
- **I. Cano**, S. Singh, B. Taskar, C. Guestrin. *Real-time Modeling of City Events: An Exploration on Seattle's Public Transportation*. In Terraswarm Annual Meeting. Berkeley, 2013.

Awards

Argentine Presidential Fellowship

2013-2015

Argentina's Presidential Cabinet and Fulbright Commission

Group Recognition Award

2012

Software and Services Group, Intel Corporation

Teamwork Role Model

2012

Argentina Software Design Center, Intel Corporation

Undergraduate Merit-based Scholarship

2002-2006

Universidad Blas Pascal

Graduate CSE546 Machine Learning

COURSEWORK CSE547 Machine Learning for Big Data

CSE521 Design and Analysis of Algorithms

CSE550 Computer Systems

CSE515 Statistical Methods (Graphical Models)

CSE517 Natural Language Processing CSE544 Principles of Data Management

CSE551 Operating Systems CSE599 Deep Learning Systems

CSE599 Online and Adaptive Methods for Machine Learning

PROGRAMMING Languages: Java, Python, C++, C#, Javascript, SQL SKILLS Frameworks: Spring, JUnit, Mockito, Maven, JQuery

ML Fwks/Libs: Keras, Tensorflow, TFLearn, Numpy, Scipy, Sklearn, Pandas

CERTIFICATIONS Sun Certified Java Programmer, Standard Edition 5.0 (Sun Microsystems)

Certified Scrum Master (Scrum Alliance)

Object Oriented Software Architecture Fundamentals (10 Pines) Advanced Object Oriented Software Architecture (10 Pines)

Object Oriented Concepts (Brainbench)

OPEN SOURCE Knative: Kubernetes-based platform for managing serverless workloads

CONTRIBUTIONS Apache REEF: A stdlib for writing high performance apps on Big Data clusters

RABIT: Fault-tolerant Allreduce and Broadcast for distributed ML apps

LANGUAGES Spanish (native), English (advanced), French (intermediate)

References Available upon request