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## SUMMARY

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Professional Software Engineer with experience in the general areas of parallel and distributed computing. Specifically, my technical skills focus on the following areas: (i) parallel programming models and runtime systems (MPI and Partitioned Global Address Space models like OpenSHMEM, Global Arrays, and Coarray Fortran); (ii) parallel computing architectures (Cray Supercomputers and Clusters, multi-core systems, GPUs and Intel MIC), and (iii) high-speed interconnect libraries(DMAPP)

## EDUCATION

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**University of Houston, Main Campus**

*December 2015*

M.S. in Computer Science - Specialization in Parallel & Distributed Systems

**Anna University, India**

*May 2011*

Bachelors in Engineering - Electrical & Electronics Engineering

## EXPERIENCE

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**Cray, Inc**

12/26/2015 - Present

*Software Engineer - Programming Environment Message Passing Toolkit*

*Saint Paul, MN*

- Software Enhancements and Parallel Optimizations for Cray Supercomputer and Cluster environments
- Work specifically on Cray software stacks like Cray MPI, Cray SHMEM, and Global Arrays
- HPC and parallel programming runtime optimizations for Cray hardware to be utilized by specific customers like U.S government and commercial petroleum industries
- Participate and represent Cray in OpenSHMEM standards committee

**Cray, Inc**

05/18/2015 - 12/25/2015

*Intern - Programming Environment Message Passing Toolkit*

*Saint Paul, MN*

- Research, Prototype, and Implement new features in Cray SHMEM programming library
- Optimize Global Arrays library for NAMD and NWChem Chemistry applications

**University of Houston**

09/14/2013 - 05/15/2015

*Research Assistant - HPC Tools*

*Houston, TX*

- Research Assistant to Dr.Barbara Chapman(Chair, Computer Science & Mathematics(CSM) Group - Brookhaven National Laboratory)
- Research and explore strategies for runtime optimizations, and compiler-tools interactions for large-scale parallel systems using OpenSHMEM and Coarray Fortran programming models

**Cognizant Technology Solutions**

06/23/2011 - 07/12/2013

*Programmer Analyst*

*Chennai, India*

- Design parallel test framework to validate bank statements for a leading financial services company

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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**Computer Languages**

C/C++, Fortran, Java, Python, Ruby, Scala

**Parallel Programming Models**

OpenSHMEM, MPI, Coarray Fortran, OpenMP

**Network Libraries**

DMAPP, Verbs, Libfabrics

**Architectures**

Cray Supercomputers, & Clusters, Intel MIC

## PROJECTS

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### Current Projects

#### 1. Cray OpenSHMEMX

- Cray OpenSHMEMX is a new SHMEM library implementation developed to supersede the existing production ready Cray SHMEM library on future exascale Cray architectures
- Design and develop Cray OpenSHMEMX from scratch with support for different transport layers including DMAPP, XPMEM, and Libfabrics
- Provide complete backward compatibility with Cray SHMEM with all Cray specific features

#### 2. Cray SHMEM

- optimize and maintain Cray SHMEM a production quality SHMEM library implementation for different Cray platforms
- implement new features as per the OpenSHMEM standards
- propose and prototype new features like Communication Contexts, Symmetric Memory Partitions and Teams(PE-Subsets)

#### 3. Cray MPICH

- create an optimized message matching layer for the MPI implementation.

### Past Projects

#### 1. Cray Global Arrays(Cray-GA) optimize and maintain the ComEx - DMAPP communication layer

#### 2. OpenSHMEM Reference Implementation

**Project description:** University of Houston worked with *Oak Ridge National Laboratory* to standardize OpenSHMEM via a community-driven specification with a reference implementation.

**My contributions:** I have been particularly involved in the optimization of the collective communication performance.

#### 3. Coarray Fortran

**Project description:** Coarray Fortran is a set of new language features incorporated into the Fortran 2008 standard which enable parallel programming in Fortran with minimal changes to the language syntax. It is a joint project between University of Houston and *Total*

**My contributions:** I am particularly involved in the optimization of the Coarray Fortran runtime library with new underlying communication layers.

## REFEREED CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PUBLICATIONS

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1. N.Namashivayam, B.Cernohous, K.Kandalla, D.Pou, J.Robichaux, J.Dinan, and M.Pagel. "*Symmetric Memory Partitions in OpenSHMEM: A case study with Intel KNL*". In Proceedings of Fourth Workshop on OpenSHMEM and Related Technologies: Big Compute and Big Data Convergence, August, 2017, Annapolis, Maryland, USA.  
[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-73814-7\\_1](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-73814-7_1)
2. K.Kandalla, P.Mendygral, N.Radcliffe, B.Cernohous, N.Namashivayam, K.McMahon, C.Sadlo and M.Pagel "*Current State of the Cray MPT Software Stacks on the Cray XC Series Supercomputers*". In proceedings of Cray User Group Meeting, 2017, Redmond, Washington, USA.
3. N.Namashivayam, D.Knaak, B.Cernohous, N.Radcliffe, and M.Pagel. "*An Evaluation of Thread-Safe and Contexts-Domains Features in Cray SHMEM*". In Proceedings of Third Workshop on

OpenSHMEM and Related Technologies: Enhancing OpenSHMEM for Hybrid Environments, August, 2016, Hanover, Maryland, USA.

[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-50995-2\\_11](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-50995-2_11)

4. N.Namashivayam. "*OpenSHMEM as an Effective Communication Layer for PGAS Models*". Master's Thesis, University of Houston, October, 2015.  
<https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/1c6b/9787b0eda7723a14ba6bc92cd77a7dcb0102.pdf>
5. N.Namashivayam, D.Eachempati, D.Khalidi and B.Chapman. "*OpenSHMEM as a Portable Communication Layer for PGAS Models - A Case Study with Coarray Fortran*". In Proceedings of IEEE Cluster 2015, September, 2015, Chicago, USA.  
<https://www.computer.org/csdl/proceedings/cluster/2015/6598/00/6598a438.pdf>
6. N.Namashivayam, D.Khalidi, D.Eachempati and B.Chapman. "*Extending the Strided Communication Interface in OpenSHMEM*". In Proceedings of Second OpenSHMEM Workshop: Experiences, Implementations and Tools, August, 2015, Annapolis, Maryland, USA.  
[https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-26428-8\\_1](https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-26428-8_1)
7. D.Knaak, and N.Namashivayam. "*Proposing OpenSHMEM Extensions Towards a Future for Hybrid Programming and Heterogeneous Computing*", In Proceedings of Second OpenSHMEM Workshop: Experiences, Implementations and Tools, August, 2015, Annapolis, Maryland, USA.  
<https://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2952638>
8. N.Namashivayam, S.Ghosh, D.Khalidi, D.Eachempati, and B.Chapman. "*Native Mode-Based Optimizations of Remote Memory Accesses in OpenSHMEM for Intel Xeon Phi*", 8th International Conference on Partitioned Global Address Space Programming Models (PGAS 2014).  
<https://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=2676881>

## KEY ACTIVITIES

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1. *OpenSHMEM standardization Effort*, Participate and represent Cray Inc. in OpenSHMEM standards committee. <http://openshmem.org/>

## AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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1. *Best Paper Award*, 8th International Conference on Partitioned Global Address Space Programming Model(PGAS 2014).
2. *Graduate Assistant Tutition Fellowship*, September 2013 - May 2015.
3. *Best Undergraduate Student Project*, Mepco Schlenk Engineering College, Anna University, India, 2011.