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I'm currently a MSc Computer Science Student at the TUDelft with my main areas of interest in Storage & Memory Technologies, Operating Systems, and Distributed Systems.

Education

MSc Computer Science

DELFT UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

Delft, The Netherlands

September 2020 - PRESENT

- Track - Software Technology
- Study Focus - Distributed Systems

BSc Computer Science

VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

September 2017 - August 2020

- Minor - Deep Programming
- Thesis - "Evaluating Performance Characteristics of the PMDK Persistent Memory Software Stack"

In this thesis I investigated the performance characteristics of persistent memories by analyzing the affects on performance of DAX-enabled file systems bypassing the page cache running on emulated persistent memories, compared to the performance of conventional file systems running on emulated RAM disk-block devices. Additionally, I explored the performance of the Persistent Memory Development Kit (PMDK) and identified software overheads within these libraries.

Honors & Awards

Amsterdam Data Science Thesis Award

VRIJE UNIVERSITEIT AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

December 2020

- I received the Amsterdam Data Science Thesis Award in 2020 in recognition of my BSc thesis on "Evaluating Performance Characteristics of the PMDK Persistent Memory Software Stack".

Honors High School Diploma

EL CAMINO REAL CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Woodland Hills, CA

2015

- I received an honorary High School diploma in 2015 at the El Camino Real Charter High School in Woodland Hills, CA.

President's Award for Educational Achievement

EL CAMINO REAL CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Woodland Hills, CA

2015

- I received the Presidential Award for Educational Achievement in recognition of my academic achievement throughout high school.

Skills

Programming	C, Java, C++, Bash, Python, Scala, LaTeX, Haskell, Lean, R, JavaScript
Frameworks & Tools	IJVM, LLVM IR, UNIX, fio, perf, ftrace, filebench, PMDK, Kafka, RocksDB, QEMU
Languages	German, English

Projects

Automatically Optimizing Data Layout on Flash-based Storage Devices

ATLARGE RESEARCH - MASSIVIZING COMPUTER SYSTEMS

Amsterdam

2021

- Voluntary project at the AtLarge Research group, in which we are building a framework for automatically optimizing data layout on flash-based storage devices, especially open-channel SSDs.

Wide Area Adaptive Streaming

[Delft University of Technology](#)

DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS COURSE

2021

- Implement a streaming system with an adaptive scheduler that will re-plan and re-deploy query tasks across servers based on current performance metrics of the system. Said metrics are collected from servers periodically and result in an optimized query planner solving an Integer Linear Program for finding optimal task placement, followed by logical and physical plan adaptation based on the newly calculated optimal task placement.

Distributed Algorithms

[Delft University of Technology](#)

DISTRIBUTED ALGORITHMS COURSE

2021

- Program three different distributed algorithms; an algorithm for causal message ordering on point-to-point messages, an algorithm for ensuring mutual exclusion in distributed systems, and an algorithm for creating minimum weight spanning trees in asynchronous networks using Java RMI calls.

membench - Benchmarking Memory and File System Performance

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

BSC COMPUTER SCIENCE THESIS

2020

- During my BSc thesis for evaluating performance characteristics of persistent memory software, I developed several micro-benchmarks for evaluating several system performance metrics, including a micro-benchmark for measuring latency of memory accesses through in memory pointer chasing, a micro-benchmark for measuring and tracing mmap calls for different file systems, and a micro-benchmark for evaluating the required time for handling of page faults on different file systems.

Compiler for FenneC

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

COMPILER CONSTRUCTION COURSE

2019

- Built a full compiler for FenneC, a C-like language, with a frontend for translating source code into LLVM IR, which is compiled into executable binary using Clang. The compiler also implements numerous LLVM passes for security checking and code optimizing.

Secure Chat

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

SECURE PROGRAMMING COURSE

2019

- Implement a secure chat client using RSA for key encryption, AES for message exchange, and Certificates for server and database authentication. The project is fully implemented in C and utilizes a server for registering clients and session keys for clients, a database for storing message history and salted passwords, and ssl-sockets connection for communication between different clients.

Multi-Core NDFS

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

CONCURRENCY & MULTITHREADING COURSE

2019

- Implement a multi-threaded version of a nested depth first search (NDFS) algorithm to be deployed and performance benchmarked on a cluster.

Shell & Memory Allocator

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

OPERATING SYSTEMS COURSE

2018

- Built a shell for executing UNIX system commands, and implement a full heap allocator similar to jemalloc and ptmalloc2.

Emulator for IJVM Byte-Code

[Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam](#)

PROJECT APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT COURSE

2018

- Implement an emulator for executing IJVM byte-code in C. It supports stack memory, basic functions and control flow, as well as method invocation by parsing binary files and extracting IJVM headers.