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EDUCATION

• University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Engineering

Sep. 2019 — Present

• Honors: Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship

• University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science: GPA: 3.98

Sep. 2017 — Jun 2019

o Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude, Dean's List

Experience

• University of California, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz, CA

Graduate Student Researcher

Sep. 2019 — Present

• Storage Accelerator: Ongoing research in collaboration with UCSC Genomics Institute to develop computational storage devices in order to accelerate genome sequence alignment.

TidalScale Los Gatos, CA

Kernel Engineer Intern

Summer 2019

- Functional Hypervisor Testing: Designed and built a functional hypervisor test facility using a custom Linux kernel module and device driver.
- Model-Specific Register Support: Utilized hypervisor test mechanism to implement and verify emulation for model-specific registers in the TidalScale hyperkernel.
- Virtual CPU Migrations: Optimized virtual CPU migration algorithms and data structures in order to reduce migration packet size, improve code readability, and optimize maintability.
- VMCS Compatibility: Developed kernel mechanism for verifying compatibility of virtual machine control structures between servers in a TidalScale cluster.

Software Engineer Intern

Summer 2018

- Server Management Tools: Developed management, migration, and deployment tools for WaveRunner servers.
- WaveRunner: Worked with large code base in C and Go to identify and eliminate bugs. Implemented version feature enhancement and provided support for internal NAS feature.
- o Server and Network Admin: Configured and deployed WaveRunner server clusters; setup and administrated network infrastructure including switches and servers. Collaborated with sales engineers to provide support for customer installations.
- **Documentation**: Developed and documented best practices for TidalScale Admin Guide.

Projects

• Relational Database:

Spring 2019

- Page-oriented relational database management system built in C++ for Database Systems course.
- Built in layers on top of underlying OS filesystem.
- Implements page file, relation, and index management modules, along with simple query execution engine.

• Distributed Key-Value Store:

Fall 2018

- o Distributed, fault-tolerant, in-memory key-value store using Docker containers.
- Provides guarantees of eventual consistency, availability for writes, and large storage capacity.
- Allows easy modification of system configuration at runtime via REST API.
- Implements full unit test coverage and continuous integration using CircleCI.
- o Developed using Go, Python, and Docker for Distributed Systems course.

• OC Compiler:

Fall 2018

- A compiler for the C-like language OC for Compiler Design course.
- Developed scanner using Flex and parser using Bison.
- Implemented string tables, symbol tables, and syntax tree generators in C++.

Languages and Tools

- Languages: C, C++, Python, Go, Java, Assembly, Bash
- Technologies: FreeBSD, Linux, Git, Docker, CircleCI

Interests

- Academic: Operating systems, storage systems, computer architecture
- Hobbies: Baseball, gaming, road trips