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EDUCATION

• Ph.D. Candidate, Computer and Information Science University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA Advisors: Boon Thau Loo and Limin Jia (CMU) Sep 2011 - Present

GPA: 3.93/4.00

• Bachelor of Science, Information Security

Sep 2007 - Sep 2011

School of Computer Science

Fudan University, Shanghai, China

GPA: 3.56/4.00; Major GPA: 3.90/4.00; Rank: 3/32

PUBLICATIONS

• Automated Verification of Safety Properties in Declarative Networking Programs
Chen Chen, Lay Kuan Loh, Limin Jia, Wenchao Zhou and Boon Thau Loo
In the 17th International Symposium on Principles and Practice of Declarative Programming, July 2015

• A Scalable Multi-Datacenter Layer-2 Network Architecture

Chen Chen, Changbin Liu, Pingkai Liu, Boon Thau Loo and Ling Ding In ACM Sigcomm Symposium on SDN Research (SOSR), June 2015

• A Program Logic for Secure Routing Protocols

Chen Chen, Limin Jia, Hao Xu, Cheng Luo, Wenchao Zhou and Boon Thau Loo In the 34th IFIP International Conference on Formal Techniques for Distributed Objects, Components and Systems (FORTE 2014), June 2014

• Proof-based Verification of Software Defined Networks

Chen Chen, Limin Jia, Wenchao Zhou, and Boon Thau Loo In the Open Networking Summit (ONS), March 2014

• Reduction-based Security Analysis of Internet Routing Protocols

Chen Chen, Limin Jia, Wenchao Zhou, and Boon Thau Loo In the 2nd International Workshop on Rigorous Protocol Engineering (WRiPE), Oct 2012

• Datacast: A Scalable and Efficient Reliable Group Data Delivery Service for Data Cen-

Jiaxin Cao, Chuanxiong Guo, Guohan Lu, Yongqiang Xiong, Yixin Zheng, Yongguang Zhang, Yibo Zhu, and Chen Chen

In the 8th International Conference on emerging Networking EXperiments and Technologies (CoNEXT)

• Towards a Secure and Verifiable Future Internet

Limin Jia, Chen Chen, Sangeetha A.Jyothi, Wenchao Zhou, Suyog Mapara and Boon Thau Loo In the Off the Beaten Track: Underrepresented Problems for Programming Language Researchers (OBT)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Pennsylvania, Research Assistant, Sep 2011 - Present

• Distributed Provenance Compression

Sep 2015 – Jun 2016

Designed and implemented a framework for compressing network provenance in a distributed fashion. The framework places provenance trees into different equivalence classes, and stores only one concrete copy for provenance trees in the same equivalence class. Equivalent provenance trees can be efficiently identified at compile time through static analysis of the provenance maintenance code, which is specified in NDLog (Network Datalog). At runtime, the provenance trees are compressed based on the evalution results of the static analysis.

(in collaboration with Prof. Boon Thau Loo, Dr. Limin Jia and Prof. Wenchao Zhou)

• Verification of Declarative Networking Programs

Jun 2014 – May 2015

Designed and implemented a framework for verifying safety properties of networking programs specified in declarative programming languages (e.g. NDLog). The declarative specification of networking applications is parsed and converted into dependency graph – a data structure especially designed for static analysis of declarative programs. The speficied safety properties are checked against the dependency graph to determine if any system execution trace would violate the property. We developed a prototype to verify properties of SDN applications, and found several bugs out of the applications. (in collaboration with Prof. Boon Thau Loo, Dr. Limin Jia and Prof. Wenchao Zhou)

• Towards a Secure and Verifiable Future Internet

Sep 2011 - May 2014

Developed a unified framework for combining implementation and formal verification of security properties in routing protocol and routing architecture. NDlog – a networking declarative language is used to specify protocols and architectures. The specification document can be both implemented in RapidNet and verified by Coq.

(in collaboration with Prof. Boon Thau Loo, Dr. Limin Jia and Prof. Wenchao Zhou)

NEC Labs America, Research Assistant, Jun 2015 - Aug 2015

• Data Analytics for Networked System Logs

Jun 2015 - Aug 2015

Developed a knowledge management framework for log analytics in networked systems. The framework allows the user to specify desired network behaviors (e.g., TCP setup), and identifies the sequence of log entries that match the specified behavior. The framework also supports partial matching when the log information is incomplete.

(in collaboration with Dr. Hui Zhang, Dr. Qiang Xu, and Dr. Biplob Debnath)

AT&T Labs Research, Research Assistant, Jun 2013 - Aug 2013

• Software Defined Networks

Jun 2013 - Aug 2013

Built infrastructure supporting multi-datacenter Layer-2 Network. SDN controllers are used to achieve scalability by replacing broadcast traffic, such as ARP requests and DHCP requests/replies, with unicast traffic to the controller. Live migration can be supported naturally by our system.

(in collaboration with Dr. Changbin Liu (Senior Member of Technical Staff, AT&T) and Prof. Boon Thau Loo)

Microsoft Research Asia, Research Assistant, Apr 2010 - Oct 2010

• Multicast in Data Center Network

Apr 2010 - Oct 2010

Developed algorithms for multicast in data center network. Constructed optimal multicast trees for dif-

ferent large-scale architectures in seconds, including Bcube, FatTree and Torus. Compared algorithms with BitTorrent protocols for optimization evaluation.

(in collaboration with Dr. Jiaxin Cao, Dr. Chuanxiong Guo, Dr. Haitao Wu, Dr. Yongqiang Xiong)

Fudan University, Research Assistant, Sep 2009 - Feb 2010

• Network Coding for Highly Reliable P2P Network

Sep 2009 - Feb 2010

Implemented hierarchical P2P network based on network coding with C#. Reduced file sharing time in distributed file transmission with network coding. Compared the performance of network coding with traditional file sharing protocol: BitTorrent and showed that network coding is quicker and effective in distributing scarce information.

(in collaboration with Prof. Xin Wang, Prof. Jin Zhao)

HONORS

• National Scholarship 1st Prize

2009 - 2010

Top 1% student in Fudan University (i.e. Top 1 student in the major) is awarded for excellent academic performance. One student every two years for the same major

• Tung OOCL Scholarship 1st Prize

2008 - 2009

Top 1% student in the major is awarded for excellent academic performance