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Second year PhD student interested in concurrent algorithms, memory persistency, and software transactional memory (STM). Experience in 3D rendering, computer vision, and data mining.

Education

University of Rochester

Rochester, NY

M.S. and Ph.D. Student in Computer Science

Sep. 2016 - Present

Advisor: Prof. Michael L. Scott

• GPA: 3.93/4.00

Xidian University

Xi'an, China

Aug. 2012 - Jul. 2016

• GPA: 3.62/4.00

Publications

Interval-Based Memory Reclamation

B.E. in Computer Science and Technology

Vienna, Austria

Haosen Wen, Joseph Izraelevitz, Wentao Cai, H. Alan Beadle, and Michael L. Scott

Feb. 2018

Proceedings of the 23rd ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming (PPoPP), 1-13.

Projects_

Nonblocking Persistent Memory Allocator

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Michael L. Scott

Aug. 2018 - Present

Designing a nonblocking persistent memory allocator for non-volatile memory (NVM).

Benchmark Suite for Persistent STM

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Michael L. Scott

Mar. 2018 - Present

- Developing a benchmark suite to analyze the performance of failure atomicity mechanisms for NVM.
- Adapted concurrent data structures, transactional applications, and in-memory databases.

Persistent Word-Based STM

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Michael L. Scott

Mar. 2018 - Present

- Helped build a persistent word-based STM that is nonblocking.
- Integrated benchmarks and other system we compare against to evaluate our new STM.

Interval-Based Memory Reclamation

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Michael L. Scott

Jan. 2017 - Aug. 2017

- Helped design nonblocking reclamation schemes that avoid unbounded memory reservation with low overhead.
- Set up experiments and coauthored a paper in PPoPP'2018.

Synchronization Framework for Building Ordered Maps

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Michael L. Scott

Jan. 2017 - Oct. 2017

- Helped develop a framework in C++ for building nonblocking trees.
- Investigated and implemented various concurrent data structures.

Personalized Computerized Cognitive Training (CCT) Program

University of Rochester

Supervised by Prof. Jiebo Luo

Jan. 2017 - Apr. 2017

• Investigated the correlation between ECGs and performance in CCT.

3D Rendering System

Xidian University

Bachelor's Thesis

Jan. 2016 - Jun. 2016

- Developed a 3D interactive rendering system in C++ for STL files.
- Designed a topological reconstructing algorithm to correct facet normals.

Human Age Estimation from Face Images

Supervised by Dr. Haihong Zheng

• Studied in human age estimation, and implemented an estimation system.

Xidian University Sep. 2014 - Dec. 2014

Teaching Assistant

CSC 2/454: Programming Language Design & Implementation

University of Rochester

Led by Professor Chen Ding

Fall 2018

Led by Professor Michael L. Scott

Fall 2017

- Designed, administrated, and graded projects, quizzes, and exams.
- Held weekly office hours and help sessions.

CSC 2/478: Computer Security Foundations

University of Rochester

Spring 2018

Led by Professor John Criswell

- Covered three lectures on authentication, TCP/IP, and malicious logic.
- Graded projects and exams, and held weekly office hours.

Skills_____

- C/C++, OCaml, Python, MATLAB, C#, SQL, UNIX Shell Scripting, LaTeX
- Parallel Programming, Object-Oriented Programming

Honors & Awards

2016	Outstanding Graduate, Xidian University	Xi'an, China
2015	Second Prize Scholarship, Xidian University	Xi'an, China
2014	Second Prize, Xidian ACM/ICPC	Xi'an, China
2013	Top10, 2013 National Tencent Innovation Clubs Logo Design Competition	China
2013	Second Prize Scholarship, Xidian University	Xi'an, China

Extracurricular Activity _____

Xidian Multimedia Studio

Xi'an, China

Manager & Technical Advisor

Sep. 2012 - Sep. 2014

• Maintained network, audio and lighting systems in the Xidian Little Theater.

Xidian Tencent Innovation Club (XDTIC)

Xi'an, China

Designer & Member

Sep. 2012 - Jan. 2014

Qiudi Literature Society

Xi'an, China

Vice Director & Editor

Sep. 2012 - Sep. 2014