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Interest Programming languages and operating systems, with a focus on language-based

support for safety and security, certified system software, certified programming

and compilation, formal methods, and concurrency reasoning.

EDUCATION Yale University

New Haven, CT

Ph.D. in Computer Science

2011 - 2016

- Advisor: Prof. Zhong Shao
- Thesis: An Extensible Architecture for Building Certified Sequential and Concurrent OS Kernels.
- Distinction Dissertation of Yale Graduate School of Art and Science
- Nomination for ACM Dissertation Award

M.S. and M.Phil. in Computer Science

2011 - 2014

Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

B.S. in Computer Science

2007 - 2011

- Advisor: Prof. Yuan Dong and Prof. Shengyuan Wang
- GPA: 91.2 / 100 Rank: 4 / 118
- Excellent Undergraduate of Tsinghua University, top 1.9% (67 among 3543)
- Honors Undergraduate Thesis of Tsinghua University, top 4% (5 among 118)

Professional Experience

Yale University

New Haven, CT

Research Assistant, Associate Research Scientist

2011 - present

Working on CertiKOS, an extensible architecture for building certified OS kernels. As the lead developer of the project, verified a series of sequential and concurrent OS kernels in Coq with my Yale colleagues. The most realistic one is written in 6,500 lines of C and x86 assembly and runs on stock x86 multicore machines.

Tsinghua University

Beijing, China

Research Assistant

Spring 2011

Working on verifying the preemptive scheduling and nested interrupt handling of μ C/OS-II running on the PowerPC platform.

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Google Inc.

Mountain View, CA

Software Engineer

2016 - 2017

Ecopia Tech Corporation

Ontario, Canada

Research Intern

Summer 2015

SELECTED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

An Auditing Language for Preventing Correlated Failures in the Cloud.

(with Ennan Zhai, Ruzica Piskac, Xun Lao, and Xi Wang)

Proceedings of 32th ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications (OOPSLA'17), 2017.

(Accept rate: 29%)

CertiKOS: An Extensible Architecture for Building Certified Concurrent OS Kernels.

(with Z. Shao, H. Chen, X. Wu, J. Kim, V. Sjöberg, and D. Costanzo)

Proceedings of the 12th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI'16), 2016.

(Accept rate: 18%)

Media coverage: Yale News, International Business Times, Yale Daily News

Honor: Selected in the **Research Highlights** section of the CACM.

End-to-End Verification of Information-Flow Security for C and Assembly Programs.

(with D. Costanzo and Z. Shao)

Proceedings of the 37th annual ACM SIGPLAN conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (**PLDI'16**), 2016.

(Accept rate: 16%)

Toward Compositional Verification of Interruptible OS Kernels and Device Drivers.

(with C. Hao, X. Wu, Z. Shao, and J. Lockerman)

Proceedings of the 37th annual ACM SIGPLAN conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI'16), 2016.

(Accept rate: 16%)

Deep Specifications and Certified Abstraction Layers.

(with J. Koenig, T. Ramananandro, Z. Shao, X. Wu, S. Weng, H. Zhang, and Y. Guo)

Proceedings of the 42nd ACM SIGPLAN-SIGACT Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages (POPL'15), 2015.

(Accept rate: 23%)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Building Fully Trustworthy OS Kernels through Formal Verification.

• University of Washington, WA	Aug. 2017
• Chicago University, IL	Apr. 2017
• University of Minnesota Twin Cities, MN	Mar. 2017
• Pennsylvania State University, PA	Mar. 2017
• New York University, NY	Mar. 2017
• Boston University, MA	Mar. 2017
• University of Connecticut, CT	Feb. 2017
• Columbia University, NY	Feb. 2017

An Extensible Architecture for Building Certified Concurrent OS Kernels.

	• University of California, Davis, CA	Dec. 2016	
	• Columbia University, NY	Dec. 2016	
	• University of Pennsylvania, PA	Nov. 2016	
	• Princeton University, NJ	Nov. 2016	
	• OSDI, GA	Nov. 2016	
	Deep Specifications and Certified Abstraction Layers.		
	• Yale Programming Languages Day, CT	Nov. 2015	
	\bullet New England Programming Languages and Systems Symposium	June 2015	
	\bullet High Confidence Software and Systems Conference, Maryland	May 2015	
	• POPL, Mumbai, India	Jan. 2015	
SELECTED	Distinction Dissertation, Yale Graduate School of Art and Science	Dec. 2016	
Honors	Nomination for ACM Dissertation Award, Yale University	Aug. 2016	
	Robert Willets Carle Scholarship, Yale University	Feb. 2016	
	Travel Grant for POPL15, NSF	Jan. 2015	
	Doctoral Fellowship, Yale University	Aug. 2011	
	Excellent Undergraduate (top 1.9%), Tsinghua University	Jul. 2011	
	Excellent Undergraduate of Beijing City	Jul. 2011	
	Honors Undergraduate Thesis (top 4%), Tsinghua University	Jul. 2011	
	Sohu Scholarship, Tsinghua University	Oct. 2010	
	Ticket Master Scholarship, Tsinghua University	Oct. 2009	
	Tsinghua Outstanding Social Work Scholarship	Oct. 2008	
	Elite Youth League Member of Jiangsu Province, China	Apr. 2007	
	First Prize of National Mathematical Olympiad Competition, China	Oct. 2006	
	First Prize of National Chemistry Olympiad Competition, China	Oct. 2006	
Professional Activities	Member of External Review Committee, 39th annual ACM SIGPLAN conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI'18), 2018.		
	Reviewer for Transactions on Computers, IET Software, Science China Sciences, FMAT'17, TACAS'15. 2015 - present.	Information	
	Member of CPS-VO. 2015 - present.		
Teaching	Teaching Assistant at Yale University Fall 2012	2 - Fall 2015	
Experience	• CPSC 422/522 Operating System Design and Implementation (Fall 2015) Instructor: Prof. Zhong Shao		
	• CPSC 458/558 Automatic Decision Systems (Fall 2015) Instructor: Dr. Stephen Slade		
	• CPSC 439/539 Software Engineering (Spring 2015 and Spring 2014)		

 \bullet CPSC 424/524 Parallel Programming Techniques (Fall 2014 and Fall 2013)

Instructor: Prof. Ruzica Piskac

Instructor: Dr. Andrew Sherman

• CPSC 112 Introduction to Programming Languages (Spring 2013 and Fall 2012) Instructor: Prof. Drew V. McDermott and Prof. Daniel Abadi

CITIZENSHIP Peoples Republic of China

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