Shreesha G. Bhat

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Research Interests

Distributed Systems, Storage Systems, Operating Systems, Networking

EDUCATION

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

2023 - 2028 (expected)

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PhD in Computer Science | Advisors: Ram Alagappan, Aishwarya Ganesan | CGPA: 4.0/4.0

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras

2018 - 2023

Dual Degree (BTech + MTech) in Computer Science & Engineering | Advisor: Kartik Nagar | CGPA: 9.66/10.00

Publications

Low End-to-End Latency atop a Speculative Shared Log with Fix-Ante Ordering

OSDI '25 Shreesha G. Bhat, Tony Hong, Xuhao Luo, Jiyu Hu, Aishwarya Ganesan, Ramnatthan Alagappan

The 19th USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI) 2025

LazyLog: A New Shared Log Abstraction for Low-Latency Applications

Xuhao Luo, Shreesha G. Bhat*, Jiyu Hu*, Ramnatthan Alagappan, Aishwarya Ganesan (*equal contribution) **SOSP '24**

The 30th Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP) 2024

Best Paper Award | Invited to Transactions on Computer Systems |

Automating Cutoff-based Verification of Distributed Protocols

Shreesha G. Bhat, Kartik Nagar FMCAD '23

Formal Methods in Computer-Aided Design (FMCAD) 2023

Brief Announcement: Automating and Mechanising Cutoff Proofs for Parameterized Verification of

Distributed Protocols

DISC '21 Shreesha G. Bhat, Kartik Nagar

35th International Symposium on Distributed Computing (DISC) 2021

Refereed Journal Publications

LazyLog: A New Shared Log Abstraction and Design for Modern Low-Latency Applications

TOCS '25

Xuhao Luo, Shreesha G. Bhat*, Jiyu Hu*, Ramnatthan Alagappan, Aishwarya Ganesan (*equal contribution)

ACM Transactions on Computer Systems (TOCS) August 2025

Invited for Publication

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research @ Distributed and Storage Systems Lab | UIUC

Aug '23 - present

Research Assistant | Guide: Ram Alagappan, Aishwarya Ganesan

· Designed and implemented two new shared log abstractions, SpecLog and LazyLog, which address the high end-to-end and append latencies respectively in traditional shared log systems.

Improving Cloud Reliability through Systematic Testing | Microsoft Research India

Aug '22 - Jul '23

Research Intern | Guide: Akash Lal

- · Worked on improving reliability of Azure Cloud Services using concurrency testing tools such as Coyote for C++ programs.
- · Built a deterministic concurrency testing framework for a production scale replication library, Azure RSL, which provides an implementation of the Paxos consensus algorithm. Implemented several optimizations to improve state-space coverage.

Parameterized Verification of Distributed Protocols | IIT Madras

Sep '20 - Jul '23

Young Research Fellow | Guide: Kartik Nagar

- · Investigated cutoff-based techniques for verifying that distributed protocols meet their specification irrespective of the size of the parameter they are instantiated with (such as number of nodes).
- · Proposed a framework to mechanize simulation based proofs for cutoffs and applied the approach on a variety of distributed protocols using Z3 as a backend SMT solver.

Awards & Achievements

- · Awarded the Best Paper Award at SOSP 2024 for the paper titled LazyLog: A New Shared Log Abstraction for Low-Latency Applications
- · Selected as a undergraduate research fellow as part of the (YRF) program
- · Secured prizes for excellent academic performance in the 1st, 2nd, 7th and 8th semesters at IIT Madras.

- · Secured All India Rank of 851 and 619 in JEE (Joint Entrance Examination) Advanced & Mains 2018
- · Qualified for KVPY fellowship with an All India Rank of 142
- \cdot Among the **top 300** in India qualified to write national olympiad examinations for Physics, Chemistry and Astronomy (INPhO, INChO, INAO)

SERVICE

· Artifact Evaluation Committees: OSDI'24, ATC'24, FAST'26

· Shadow Program Committees: EuroSys'26

· Student Volunteer: SOSP'24

Grants

· Conference Travel Grants: OSDI'25, SOSP'24