SHAWN SHUOSHUO CHEN

PhD student · Carnegie Mellon University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computer Networks, Operating Systems, High Performance Computing

EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Aug. 2021 – present

Ph.D. in Computer Science

Pittsburgh, PA

Advisors: Prof. Peter Steenkiste and Prof. Srinivasan Seshan

University of Virginia

Aug. 2014 - May 2016

M.S. in Computer Engineering

Charlottesville, VA

Advisor: Prof. Malathi Veeraraghavan

Wuhan University

Sep. 2010 - Jun. 2014

B.S. in Electrical Engineering

Wuhan, China

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant Aug. 2021 – present

Computer Science Department, Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

- Improving large-scale ML training efficiency via reconfigurable optical networks.
- Building ultra-fast optical packet switching fabrics.
- Designed time-division TCP for reconfigurable data center networks.
- Optimized hardware-constrained data center traffic engineering.

Research Intern May 2022 – Aug. 2022

Microsoft Research

Redmond, WA

• Optimized datacenter RPC communication performance.

Research Assistant Aug. 2014 – May 2016

Computer Engineering Department, University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA

- Designed and implemented a reliable multicast protocol File Multicast Transport Protocol (FMTP), deployed and verified on GENI testbed.
- Developed a high performance traffic shaping/pacing solution based on the host network stack, including modifications on TCP congestion control, socket buffering and to queueing disciplines.
- Conducted performance modeling and optimization on filestream traffic pattern, FMTP throughput, and system resource requirements.

Research Intern Nov. 2013 – Aug. 2014

AMD Xilinx

Shanghai, China

- Wrote switch stack software to enable a runtime reconfigurable packet processing pipeline (Openflow 1.3 compatible) for an FPGA-based open source SDN switch (ONetSwitch).
- Benchmarked switch packet forwarding rate, maximum concurrent flows, TCAM lookup latency etc.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Sep. 2012 - Dec. 2012

Xilinx-Wuhan University IC Design Joint Lab

Wuhan, China

- Built a stateful firewall in an MPLS network.
- Offloaded expensive firewall functions to a server via port mirroring.

Industry Experience

Technical Lead / Software Engineer

Google Network Infrastructure Team

Oct. 2016 - Apr. 2021 Sunnyvale, CA

- Led continuous performance optimization on data center network topology and routing efficiency.
- Improved the scalability and availability of Google's data center fabrics Jupiter.
- Built Google's in-house SDN controller Orion.

Software Development Intern

Jul. 2013 - Sep. 2013

MeshSr Co.

Nanjing, China

- Customized a light weight Linux kernel and bootloader for switch OS.
- Ported CPqD OpenFlow software switch to ARM platform.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CS 15-441/641 Networking and the Internet, CMU: fall 2021

CS/ECE 4457 Computer Networks, UVA: fall 2014, fall 2015

AWARDS AND MEMBERSHIP

NYU Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship (declined)	2020
Silver Perfy Award, Google	2019
Academic Excellence Award Nomination, University of Virginia	2016
OpenHW Vivado HLS Contest Runner-up, Xilinx	2014
Outstanding Undergraduate Milestone Project, Wuhan University	2014
ACM Member/ACM@CMU Member	

Talks and Presentations

Optical Network Infrastructure Support for Machine Learning

• At Google Networking Research Summit (Oct. 2023)

Precise Data Center Traffic Engineering with Constrained Hardware Resources

• At Google S2Infra team, Sunnyvale, CA. (Jul. 2023)

Time-division TCP for reconfigurable data center networks

- At MIT. (Aug. 2022)
- At ACM SIGCOMM'22, Amsterdam, Netherlands. (Aug. 2022)
- At Google S2Infra team, Sunnyvale, CA. (Sep. 2022)

Advances in Reliable File-Stream Multicasting over Multi-Domain Software Defined Networks (SDN)

• At IEEE ICCCN, Valencia, Spain. (Jul. 2019)

Network Infrastructure at Google

• At the School of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Virginia. (Mar. 2019)

Optimizing SDN Routing Convergence at Scale

• At Google research conference, Sunnyvale, CA. (Aug. 2018)

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- [3] Andrew D. Ferguson, Steve Gribble, Chi-Yao Hong, Charles Killian, Waqar Mohsin, Henrik Muehe, Joon Ong, Leon Poutievski, Arjun Singh, Lorenzo Vicisano, Richard Alimi, Shawn Shuoshuo Chen, Mike Conley, Subhasree Mandal, Karthik Nagaraj, Kondapa Naidu Bollineni, Amr Sabaa, Shidong Zhang, Min Zhu, Amin Vahdat. Orion: Google's Software-Defined Networking Control Plane. In Proceedings of the 18th USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI '21). Santa Clara, CA. April 2021.
- [4] Yuanlong Tan, Shuoshuo Chen, Steve Emmerson, Yizhe Zhang, Malathi Veeraraghavan. Advances in Reliable File-Stream Multicasting over Multi-Domain Software Defined Networks (SDN). In Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Computer Communication and Networks (ICCCN). Valencia, Spain. July 2019.
- [5] Shuoshuo Chen, Xiang Ji, Malathi Veeraraghavan, Steve Emmerson, Joseph Slezak, Steven G. Decker. A cross-layer Multicast-Push Unicast-Pull (MPUP) architecture for reliable file-stream distribution. In Proceedings of the IEEE 40th Annual Computer Software and Applications Conference (COMPSAC). Atlanta, GA. June 2016.