Spyros Pavlatos

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Education _

University of Pennsylvania

Aug 2022 - present

PhD in Computer and Information Science

- \circ Advisor: Vincent Liu
- Research on microservices and serverless computing by blending ideas from Distributed Systems, Programming Languages, and Formal Methods.

National Technical University of Athens

Oct 2016 - July 2022

MEng in Electrical and Computer Computer Engineering

- o GPA: 9.26/10
- Thesis: A Test Suite for Model Checking Persistent Memory Programs & Advisor: Kostis Sagonas

Experience _

Software Development Engineer Intern

East Palo Alto, CA

Amazon Web Services - DBS Redshift

May 2025 - Aug 2025

• Implemented automatic background conversion of Interleaved Sortkey (ISK) tables.

Telecommunications Engineer

Athens, Greece

2017 - 2019

White Noise NTUA

- Founding member of the space engineering team
- Member of project Drillsat Z and project Daedalus Z for which I designed the telecommunications subsystems and data handling protocols.

Teaching Experience _____

Teaching Assistant

Philadelphia, PA

Univesity of Pennsylvania

2023 - 2024

• Courses: Software Analysis, Compilers

Teaching Assistant

Athens, Greece

National Technical University of Athens

2020 - 2021

• Courses: Introduction to Programming, Programming Techniques

Projects

MuCache 2

λ-trim Debloater ☑

2024 - present

Debloater for Python and serverless applications

- Designed a debloating algorithm that leverages established dynamic analysis techniques and a cost model to optimize serverless applications.
- Implemented the algorithm in a tool that can be used to debloat Python and serverless applications and achieved up to 20% reduction in cold start time and cost when deployed on AWS Lambda.
- Actively maintaining the open-source version of the tool.

2022 - 2023

Caching framework for microservices

- Implemented various applications to test and evaluate the proposed framework.
- Verfield the correctness of the caching framework with a pen-and-paper proof.

PM-Benchmarks ☑

2021 - 2022

Test suite for model checking persistent memory programs

- Developed a test suite consisting of litmus tests and complex data structures for model checking persistent memory programs under the Px86 memory persistency model.
- Tested the state-of-the-art model checker GenMC Z against the test suite and reported some critical internal bugs in the tool.

Publications ____

λ-trim: Optimizing Function Initialization in Serverless Applications With Cost-driven Debloating

Spyros Pavlatos, Xuting Liu, Yuhao Liu, Vincent Liu

ASPLOS'25

MuCache: A General Framework for Caching in Microservice Graphs

Haoran Zhang, Konstantinos Kallas, Spyros Pavlatos, Rajeev Alur, Yuhao Liu, Vincent Liu NSDI'24

Skills .

Programming: C/C++, Rust, OCaml, Erlang, Python, Go, Java, JavaScript

Operating Systems / Platforms: Windows, Linux, AWS, GCP Databases: MySQL, MongoDB, RocksDB, Redis, memcached

Frameworks & Tools: LLVM, OpenMP, MPI, PyTorch, Docker, Kubernetes, frama-c, TLA+, ns-3

Miscellaneous: LaTeX, Git/Github

Honors/awards _

- Soloman M. Swaab Fellowship University of Pennsylvania
- 1st Prize in Cansat in Greece 2018 space engineering competition (universities level).
- \circ IEEEXtreme programming competitions. Ranked 94/5500 (15.0), 99/3700 (14.0) and 184/4000 (13.0) worldwide.
- Bronze Medal in the Panhellenic Physics Competition Aristotle 2016. Ranked 25th overall

Leadership and Outreach _

- Penn CIS PhD Mentorship Program Organizer (2023-present).
- Invited Panelist for Penn CIS Visit Days (2023, 2024, 2025).
- Computer and Information Science Doctoral Association (CISDA 2). Served in the Dean's Advisory Board (2022-2023) and as a CISDA chair (2023-2025).

Travel Funding

NSDI 2025 Student Grant	2025
Summer School on Formal Techniques Funding	2023
Programming Languages Mentoring Workshop at PLDI 2022 - Student Grant	2022