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Work Experience	 Google, New York City Software Engineer Improved geo-targeting accuracy for the Google public DNS resolver (8.8.8.8), the largest public DNS resolver in the world. Using a metrics-driven approach to improve CPU and memory efficiency, and tail latency in the resolver using modern C++ concurrency mechanisms such as fibers, coroutines, and lock-free data structures. 	02/2022 – Present
	Meta Platforms, Menlo Park Software Engineer Intern • Designed and implemented eBPF network telemetry for the Magma platform • Enabled centralized control for cloud synchronization rates to reduce bandwidth consumption for partners in Brazil with satellite backhaul	06/2021 – 08/2021
	 Max Planck Institute for Informatics (MPI), Saarbrücken, Germany Research Scientist Worked on privacy in DNS client-side resolution Explored structural differences between landing and internal pages of websites and how that affects prior web performance studies 	05/2019 – 08/2019
	Akamai Technologies, New York City Performance Engineer Intern • Derived methods for inversion of the footprint descriptor calculus. This inversion would create representative traffic traces, preventing privacy leaks from large logs	05/2018 – 08/2018
	Arbisoft, Lahore, Pakistan Software Engineer • Full-stack web development on Python Django & Backbone.js	09/2015 – 07-2017
	Smart Machines & Robotics Technology Lab, NUST Undergraduate Researcher • Implemented neural network evaluation in Tele-Surgical Robotic Simulation (TSRS) • Organized evaluation experiment for TSRS	12/2012 - 05/2013
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Publications

Hammurabi: A Framework for Pluggable, Logic-based X.509 Certificate Validation Policies

J. Larisch, W. Aqeel, C. Wilson, A. Mislove, T. Chung, D. Levin, B. Parno, and B. Maggs ACM Conference on Computer and Communications Security (CCS), 2022

cISP: A Speed-of-Light Internet Service Provider

Debopam Bhattacherjee*, Waqar Aqeel*, Sangeetha Abdu Jyothi, Ilker Nadi Bozkurt, William Sentosa, Muhammad Tirmazi, Anthony Aguirre, Balakrishnan Chandrasekaran, P. Brighten Godfrey, Gregory P. Laughlin, Bruce M. Maggs, Ankit Singla USENIX Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI) 2022

Puncturable Pseudorandom Sets and Private Information Retrieval with Polylogarithmic Bandwidth and Sublinear Time

E. Shi, W. Aqeel, B. Chandrasekaran, and B. Maggs IACR Cryptology Conference (Crypto) 2021

On Landing and Internal Pages: The Strange Case of Jekyll and Hyde in Internet Measurement

W. Aqeel, B. Chandrasekaran, B. Maggs, and A. Feldmann ACM Internet Measurement Conference (IMC) 2020

Community Contribution Award

A bird's eye view of the world's fastest networks

D. Bhattacherjee, W. Aqeel, G. Laughlin, B. Maggs, and A. Singla ACM Internet Measurement Conference (IMC) 2020

Assertion-Carrying Certificates

W. Aqeel, Z. Hanif, J. Larisch, O. Omolola, T. Chung, D. Levin, B. Maggs, A. Mislove, B. Parno, and C. Wilson Workshop on Foundations of Computer Security (FCS), 2020

Untangling Header Bidding Lore: Some myths, some truths, and some hope

W. Aqeel, D. Bhattacherjee, B. Chandrasekaran, P. Godfrey, G. Laughlin, B. Maggs, A. Singla Passive and Active Measurement Conference (PAM) 2020

Best Dataset Award

Gearing up for the 21st Century Space Race

D. Bhattacherjee, W. Aqeel, I. Bozkurt, A. Aguirre, B. Chandrasekaran, P. Godfrey, G. Laughlin, B. Maggs, A. Singla ACM HotNets 2018

Dissecting Latency in the Internet's Fiber Infrastructure

I. Bozkurt, W. Aqeel, D. Bhattacherjee, B. Chandrasekaran, P. Godfrey, G. Laughlin, B. Maggs, A. Singla Pre-print on arXiv 2018

Benchmarking Expert Surgeons' Path for Evaluating a Trainee Surgeon's Performance

M. A. Ahmad, S. B. Mansoor, Z. A. Khan, W. Aqeel, and S. H. Kabir

ACM SIGGRAPH Virtual-Reality Continuum and Its Applications in Industry (VRCAI) 2013

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ACM Computer and Communications Security (CCS)

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Awards & Honors

Internet Measurement Conference, Community Contribution Award	2020
 Passive and Active Measurements Conference, Best Dataset Award 	2020
Duke University Graduate School Fellowship	2017 - 2019
SEECS-NUST Alumni Association Scholarship	2013 - 2014
Six merit-based grants from NUST	2010 - 2014
 NUST Entrance Test scholarship for securing rank 20 out of 20,000 students 	2010
Board of Secondary Education, Karachi, scholarship for securing rank 16 out of	2008
118,000 students	