Yuhong Zhong

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Software systems, memory tiering, CXL, storage systems, eBPF

EDUCATION

2022-Present Columbia University, New York, NY

Ph.D., Computer Science Advisor: Asaf Cidon

2019-2021 Columbia University, New York, NY

M.S., Computer Science

2015-2019 Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, China

B.Eng., Computer Science and Technology

PUBLICATIONS

1. Managing Memory Tiers with CXL in Virtualized Environments

Yuhong Zhong, Daniel S. Berger, Carl Waldspurger, Ryan Wee, Ishwar Agarwal, Rajat Agarwal,

Frank Hady, Karthik Kumar, Mark D. Hill, Mosharaf Chowdhury, Asaf Cidon

OSDI 2024 (USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation) Acceptance rate: 16%

2. BPF-oF: Storage Function Pushdown Over the Network

Ioannis Zarkadas*, Tal Zussman*, Jeremy Carin, Sheng Jiang, **Yuhong Zhong**, Jonas Pfefferle, Hubertus Franke, Junfeng Yang, Kostis Kaffes, Ryan Stutsman, Asaf Cidon (* equal contribution)

In Submission

3. Memtrade: Marketplace for Disaggregated Memory Clouds

Hasan Al Maruf, **Yuhong Zhong**, Hongyi Wang, Mosharaf Chowdhury, Asaf Cidon, Carl Waldspurger

SIGMETRICS 2023 (ACM International Conference on Measurement and Modeling of Computer Systems)

Acceptance rate: 10%

4. XRP: In-Kernel Storage Functions with eBPF

Yuhong Zhong, Haoyu Li, Yu Jian Wu, Ioannis Zarkadas, Jeffrey Tao, Evan Mesterhazy, Michael Makris, Junfeng Yang, Amy Tai, Ryan Stutsman, Asaf Cidon **OSDI 2022** (USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation)

Acceptance rate: 19%

Jay Lepreau Best Paper Award

5. BPF for Storage: An Exokernel-Inspired Approach

Yuhong Zhong*, Hongyi Wang*, Yu Jian Wu*, Asaf Cidon, Ryan Stutsman, Amy Tai, Junfeng Yang (* equal contribution)

HotOS 2021 (ACM Workshop on Hot Topics in Operating Systems)

Acceptance rate: 25%

AWARDS

| 2023 | Memorable Paper Award Finalist, Non-Volatile Memories Workshop (NVMW) 2023 |
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| 2022 | Jay Lepreau Best Paper Award, USENIX OSDI 2022 |
| 2019 | Outstanding Graduate Award, Harbin Institute of Technology |

TEACHING

2020 Fall **EECS E6897: Topics in Distributed Storage Systems**, Columbia University

Teaching Assistant
Instructor: Asaf Cidon

Graduate-level research seminar course (~10 students) on distributed systems. The topics include file systems, consistency and consensus, synchronization, replication, erasure coding, caching, memory disaggregation, deduplication, and systems + machine learning.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2024-Present Microsoft Remote

Software Design Engineer 2 (Part-Time Contractor, Hired Through Populus Group), Azure Hardware Architecture

Mentors: Daniel S. Berger, Pantea Zardoshti

Building software for CXL memory pooling prototype and researching CXL memory sharing.

2024 Summer Microsoft Redmond, WA

Research Intern, Azure Research - Systems

Mentors: Daniel S. Berger, Pantea Zardoshti

Built several software components to prototype CXL memory pooling to study its performance

implications and benefits.

2023-2024 Microsoft Remote

Software Design Engineer 1 (Part-Time Contractor, Hired Through Populus Group), Azure Hardware Architecture

Mentor: Daniel S. Berger, Mark D. Hill

Evaluated the performance of CXL memory devices and designed software systems for Intel Flat Memory Mode to mitigate outlier performance and avoid interference.

2021-2022 VMware Palo Alto, CA

Member of Technical Staff, vSAN Group

Developed transaction and crash recovery support for SplinterDB, which was integrated into vSAN Express Storage Architecture.

2020 **TuSimple** Tucson, AZ

Software Engineer Intern, Sensor Software Team

Built visualization tools and new features for the data-processing pipeline of self-driving trucks.

TALKS

| | Managing Memory Tiers with CXL in Virtualized Environments |
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| 08/2024 | Open Compute Project (OCP), Composable Memory System |
| 07/2024 | USENIX OSDI 2024 |
| 02/2024 | Azure Research - Systems, Microsoft |
| 01/2024 | Xeon Memory Tiering Working Group, Intel |
| | Limitations of PEBS for Tracking Main Memory Requests |
| 05/2023 | Open Compute Project (OCP), Composable Memory System |
| 03/2023 | Azure Research - Systems, Microsoft |
| | XRP: In-Kernel Storage Functions with eBPF |
| 04/2024 | Brown University Systems Seminar |
| 04/2024 | Northeastern University Systems Seminar |
| 03/2024 | Harvard University Systems Seminar |
| 03/2024 | University of Wisconsin-Madison Systems Reading Group |
| 02/2024 | University of Washington Systems Seminar |
| 02/2024 | UCSD Big Arch Seminar |
| 09/2023 | Cornell University Systems Seminar |
| 03/2023 | Microsoft Research Asia ACE Talk Series |
| 03/2023 | Non-Volatile Memory Workshop (NVMW) 2023 |
| 10/2022 | Meta Systems Talk |
| 09/2022 | eBPF Summit 2022 |
| 07/2022 | USENIX OSDI 2022 |
| | BPF for Storage: An Exokernel-Inspired Approach |
| 06/2021 | ACM HotOS 2021 |

ACADEMIC SERVICE

2023 Reviewer: ACM Transactions on Architecture and Code Optimization (TACO)

MENTORING

2023-Present Ryan Wee, Columbia University

| 2023-2024 | Phoebe Lu, Columbia University (Now: Flatiron Health) |
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| 2023-2023 | Helen Chu, Columbia University |
| 2022-2023 | Shruti Verma, Columbia University (Now: M.S. student in CS at Stanford University) |

OUTREACH

| 2023-Present | Co-Organizer: Students @ Systems |
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| 2023-2023 | Co-Organizer: Queers in STEM (qSTEM) at Columbia University |
| 2022-2023 | Reviewer: Pre-Application Review Program for PhD Applicants (PAR), Columbia University |