# Zeeshan Hakim

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# **EDUCATION**

### 2012-2016

## Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)

Bachelors in Computer Science

GRADUATE-LEVEL COURSES: Topics In Internet Research, Computer Networks, Human Computer Interaction, Intro to Data Mining, Network Security, Service-Oriented Computing

# RESEARCH PROJECTS

### **CURRENT**

### Achieving Fault Tolerance in Data Center

Working as a Research Assistant under Dr. Ihsan Ayyub Qazi (PhD, University of Pittsburgh) on a project that deals with the analysis of failures in data centers which disrupt the symmetry in data center topologies causing significantly increased flow/job completion times. Currently, I am working on Linux Kernel to develop a kernel module that would help evaluate various state-of-the-art transport strategies in data centers and eventually propose a framework that would minimize network latencies incurred in such scenarios. This is an ongoing work and we are aiming to submit it at a top conference.

#### **SUMMER 2016**

## **Transport Protocol Performance under Varying Workloads**

Worked with Dr. Ihsan Ayyub Qazi and Dr. Zartash Afzal Uzmi (PhD, Stanford University) on a project that investigated variations in workload in modern day datacenters. As part of this project, I conducted rigorous evaluations in NS-2 using different standard and synthetic workloads with respect to tail variations. Moreover, I helped create a workload adaptive framework capable of switching between different scheduling schemes while proactively learning the workload variation. This work is currently under review.

#### FALL 2015

### **Virtual Machine Introspection Framework**

Worked with Dr. Basit Shafiq (PhD, Purdue University) on my undergraduate thesis which focused on detection of cyber-attacks using Virtual Machine Introspection. The motivation was to identify attacks in a network of physical machines running several virtual machines. My contributions were analyzing memory dumps using 'Volatility Framework', writing scripts for automation of attacks on VMs as well helping in developing a framework which allowed a central node to identify the infected VM by analyzing logs from different machines.

# OTHER PROJECTS

### FALL 2016

### **LUMS vTOUR**

Worked with Dr. Suleman Shahid (PhD, Tilburg University) to create a 3D model of LUMS using Leica Laser Scanner for HCI course project. This model was used to create a virtual tour of our campus using Oculus Rift.

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### CURRENT

### Research Assistant

Advisor: Dr. Ihsan Ayyub Qazi (PhD, University of Pittsburgh)

#### **SPRING 2016**

### Teaching Assistant- CS 315: Theory of Automata

Worked as a Teaching Assistant for Dr. Hamad Alizai. I prepared and graded quizzes and assignments, conducted weekly tutorials and aided students in course projects.

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS AND TOOLS**

PROFICIENT WITH C, C++, C#, Java, MATLAB, Python, MySQL, JavaScript

EXPERIENCE WITH NS-2, SDN(OVS), PHP, Node.js, Perl, Unity 3D (Game Engine), 3DS-MAX

# **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Position for Blood For Life Application in Lahore Civic Hackathon at LUMS, Lahore
- 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> Position for DNA Matching Engine at ITEC in NED-UET, Karachi