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Research Interest

Distributed Systems; Cloud Computing; Resource Management; Adaptivity; System Elasticity; Performance Analysis

Education

08/2015–12/2021 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Ph.D. in Computer Science (advised by Indranil Gupta)

Thesis: "Elastic techniques to handle dynamism in real-time data processing systems."

08/2013-05/2015 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

M.S in Computer Science (advised by Indranil Gupta)

Thesis: "Stela: on-demand elasticity in distributed data stream processing systems"

08/2009-05/2013 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

B.S in Math and Computer Science)

Positions

04/2024-Present Computing Infrastructure Lab, Bytedance Inc.

Researcher/Software Engineer

Description: Building next-generation real-time serving services for generative models.

09/2021-04/2024 University of Texas at Austin

Postdoctoral Researcher (PI: Aditya Akella)

Description: Supporting fine-grained resource provisioning for modern real-time data processing systems.

Publication

• Peter Schafhalter, Sukrit Kalra, Le Xu, Joseph E. Gonzalez, and Ion Stoica. "Leveraging Cloud Computing to Make Autonomous Vehicles Safer." IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS) ,2023

• Li Su, Xiaoming Qin, Zichao Zhang, Rui Yang, Le Xu, Indranil Gupta, Wenyuan Yu, Kai Zeng, Jingren Zhou "Banyan: A Scoped Dataflow Engine for Graph Query Service." Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (VLDB), 2022.

Li Su, Xiaoming Qin, Zichao Zhang, Rui Yang, Le Xu, Indranil Gupta, Wenyuan Yu, Kai Zeng, Jingren Zhou "Banyan: A Scoped Dataflow Engine for Graph Query Service." Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (VLDB), 2022.

• Le Xu, Shivaram Venkataraman, Indranil Gupta, Luo Mai, Rahul Potharaju. "Move Fast and Meet Deadlines: Fine-grained Real-time Stream Processing with Cameo" USENIX Conference on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI), 2021. (acceptance rate 16.6%)

- Yunhui Long, Le Xu, Carl Gunter "A Hypothesis Testing Approach to Sharing Logs with Confidence" ACM Conference on Data and Application Security and Privacy (CO-DASPY), 2020.
- Faria Kalim, Le Xu, Sharanya Bathey, Richa Meherwal, Indranil Gupta. "Henge: Intent-driven Multi-Tenant Stream Processing" Symposium of Cloud Computing" Proceedings of the ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (SoCC), 2018. (acceptance rate 24.3%)
- Luo Mai, Kai Zeng, Rahul Potharaju, Le Xu, Steve Suh, Shivaram Venkataraman, Paolo Costa, Terry Kim, Saravanan Muthukrishnan, Vamsi Kuppa, Sudheer Dhulipalla, Sriram Rao. "Chi: a scalable and programmable control plane for distributed stream processing systems." Proceedings of the VLDB Endowment (VLDB), 2018.
- Mainak Ghosh, Ashwini Raina, Le Xu, Xiaoyao Qian, Indranil Gupta, Himanshu Gupta.
 "Popular is Cheaper: Curtailing Memory Costs in Interactive Analytics Engines." Proceedings of the 2018 European Conference on Computer Systems, (EuroSys), 2018. (acceptance rate 16.5%)
- Mainak Ghosh, Le Xu, Indranil Gupta. "Resource Management: Performance Assuredness in Distributed Cloud Computing via Online Reconfigurations" Assured Cloud Computing. John Wiley & Sons, 2018.
- Mijung Kim, Jun Li, Haris Volos, Manish Marwah, Alexander Ulanov, Kimberly Keeton, Lucy Cherkasova, Le Xu, Pradeep Fernando. "Sparkle: Optimizing Spark for Large Memory Machines and Analytics" 2017 ACM Symposium on Cloud Computing (SOCC), poster track. 2017.
- Le Xu, Boyang Peng, and Indranil Gupta. "Stela: Enabling Stream Processing Systems to Scale-in and Scale-out On-demand." *IEEE International Conference on Cloud Engineering (IC2E)*. 2016. (acceptance rate 21.9%)
- Wenting Wang, Le Xu, and Indranil Gupta. "Scale Up vs. Scale Out in Cloud Storage and Graph Processing Systems." 2015 IEEE International Conference on Cloud Engineering (IC2E). IEEE, 2015.

Preprints

- Jiamin Li, Le Xu, Hong Xu, Aditya Akella. "BlockLLM: Multi-tenant Finer-grained Serving for Large Language Models", 2024
- Bodun Hu, Le Xu, Jeongyoon Moon, Neeraja J. Yadwadkar, Aditya Akella. "MOSEL: Inference Serving Using Dynamic Modality Selection.", 2023.
- Le Xu, Divyanshu Saxena, Neeraja J. Yadwadkar, Aditya Akella and Indranil Gupta. "Dirigo: Self-scaling Stateful Actors For Serverless Real-time Data Processing.", 2023.

Industrial Experience

06/2019-08/2019 Alibaba Damo Academy (Data Analytics and Intelligence Lab)

Building hierarchical actor-based framework for distributed graph querying service

05/2017-08/2017 Microsoft (Cloud and Information Services Lab)

Building a control layer inside of a real-time stream processing engine for flexible and efficient online monitoring and re-configuration

05/2016-08/2016 Hewlett-Parkard Labs (Software Analytics Group)

Conducting Spark performance analysis for micro-benchmark and machine learning applications

05/2015-08/2015 Salesforce Inc. (ServiceCloud Performance)

Implemented Jmeter Tests suites for ServiceCloud application platform with synthetic

data set

05/2014-08/2014 Yahoo! Sunnyvale (Cloud Services and Organization)

Implemented a server log-processing framework for server log retrieval and analysis. (Pig,

Hive & Oozie)

Teaching Experience

01/2015, 01/2016 Cloud Computing Concepts (Coursera) - Teaching Assistant

01/2016 Advanced Distributed Systems - Teaching Assistant

01/2015, 09/2019 Distributed System - Teaching Assistant

05/2018, 05/2020 Cloud Computing Capstone

Awards and Honors

2021 CRA/CCC Computing Innovation Fellows (CIFellows)

2020 EECS Rising Stars

2020 Tapia 2020 Conference Scholarship

2016 David J. Kuck Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award

2015 Outstanding Teaching Assistant

Travel Grant: SOSP 2019, OSDI 2018, SoCC 2018, SOSP 2017, Grace Hopper Celebra-

tion 2015, IWCA 2015

Program Committee

02/2023 2023 ACM/IFIP/USENIX International Middleware Conference

05/2023 2024 USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation

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