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Research Interests

Software security, performance, and reliability, with an emphasis on probabilistic and statistical methods

Education

University of Massachusetts Amherst Advised by Emery D. Berger

Ph.D. Computer Science

May 2016

M.S. Computer Science

February 2013

University of Minnesota

B.S. Computer Science

May 2009

Academic Positions & Professional Experience

Grinnell College

Assistant Professor

2016–present

Instructor

2015–2016

Mount Holyoke College Lab Instructor

Spring 2014

Google Inc. Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2013

IBM T.J. Watson Research Center Research Intern

Summer 2012

Barcelona Supercomputing Center Research Associate

2011–2012

Microsoft Research Research Intern

Summer 2010

University of Massachusetts Amherst Research Assistant

2009–2012, 2014–2015

Honors & Awards

UMass College of Information and Computer Sciences Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award 2017

Dennis M. Ritchie Dissertation Award Honorable Mention

2016

Best Paper Award COZ: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling

SOSP 2015

Google Ph.D. Fellowship in Software Performance

2012–2014

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Honorable Mention

2010, 2011

Refereed Publications

- DOUBLETAKE: fast and precise error detection via evidence-based dynamic analysis** ICSE 2016
Tongping Liu, Charlie Curtsinger, and Emery D. Berger *3 citations*
- COZ: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling** *Best Paper Award*, SOSP 2015
Charlie Curtsinger and Emery D. Berger *20 citations*
- STABILIZER: Statistically Sound Performance Evaluation** ASPLOS 2013
Charlie Curtsinger and Emery D. Berger *60 citations*
- Probabilistic timing analysis on conventional cache designs** DATE 2013
Leonidas Kosmidis, Charlie Curtsinger, Eduardo Quiñones, Jaume Abella,
Emery D. Berger, and Francisco J. Cazorla *29 citations*
- AUTOMAN: A Platform for Integrating Human-Based and Digital Computation** OOPSLA 2012
Daniel W. Barowy, Charlie Curtsinger, Emery D. Berger, and Andrew McGregor *96 citations*
- DTHREADS: Efficient, Deterministic Multithreading** SOSP 2011
Tongping Liu, Charlie Curtsinger, and Emery D. Berger *211 citations*
- ZOZZLE: Fast and Precise In-Browser JavaScript Malware Detection** USENIX Security 2011
Charlie Curtsinger, Benjamin Livshits, Benjamin G. Zorn, and Christian Seifert *249 citations*

Other Publications

- COZ: Finding Code that Counts with Causal Profiling** *(to appear)* CACM Research Highlight
Charlie Curtsinger and Emery D. Berger
- AUTOMAN: A Platform for Integrating Human-Based and Digital Computation** CACM Research
Daniel W. Barowy, Charlie Curtsinger, Emery D. Berger, and Andrew McGregor Highlight
- COZ: This is the Profiler You're Looking For** USENIX ;login:, Summer 2016
Charlie Curtsinger and Emery D. Berger
- "NOFUS: Automatically Detecting" + String.fromCharCode(32)** MSR Tech Report
"ObFuSCateD".toLowerCase() + "JavaScript Code" TR-2011-57
Scott F. Kaplan, Benjamin Livshits, Benjamin G. Zorn, and Charlie Curtsinger *25 citations*

Undergraduate Research Supervised

- SCRAMBLER: Dynamic Layout Adaptation** *(3rd place)* SPLASH'16 Student Research Competition
David Chang, Thu Nguyen, and Niko Takayeso Summer 2016
Alexander Martin, Pouya Mahdi Gholami, Ana Segebre Salazar, and Garrett Wang Summer 2017
- Energy Profiling with ALPACA** SPLASH'16 Student Research Competition
Logan Goldberg, Joel Katticaran, and Abraham Mhaidli Summer 2016
Mattori Birnbaum, Marija Ivica, and Sara Marku Summer 2017

Patents

Detection of code-based malware

Benjamin G. Zorn, Benjamin Livshits, Charles M. Curtsinger, and Christian Seifert Patent US 8713679 B2
Granted 2014

Software

COZ A sampling causal profiler for 64 bit Linux executables

github.com/plasma-umass/coz

STABILIZER A toolchain for statistically sound performance evaluation

github.com/plasma-umass/stabilizer

AUTOMAN A DSL for crowdsourcing with statistical quality control

github.com/plasma-umass/automan

DTHREADS A runtime for deterministic parallel computation

github.com/plasma-umass/dthreads

Teaching

Grinnell College Department of Computer Science

CSC 213: Operating Systems & Parallel Algorithms Spring 2016, Spring 2017

CSC 216: Computer Networks Spring 2016

CSC 151: Introduction to Functional Problem Solving Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016

CSC 211: Computer Organization and Architecture Fall 2015, Fall 2016

CSC 211L: Computer Organization and Architecture Lab Fall 2015

Instructor Mount Holyoke College

CMPSCI 201: Advanced Object Oriented Programming, Lab Sections Spring 2014

Guest Lecturer

CMPSCI 201: Advanced Object Oriented Programming (MHC) Spring 2014

CMPSCI 691SP: Systems (graduate, UMass) Fall 2012

Professional Activities & Service

Program Committee Member

2017 USENIX Annual Technical Conference USENIX 'ATC 2017

ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation PLDI 2016

External Program Committee Member

21st ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Principles and Practice of Parallel Programming PPOPP 2016

Artifact Evaluation Committee

ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation 2014, 2015

ACM SIGPLAN Conference on Object-Oriented Programming, Systems, Languages, and Applications
2014

Graduate Representative University of Massachusetts School of Computer Science 2013–2014

Web Chair 12th Annual Conference on Network and Parallel Computing (NPC 2015) 2014

Reviewer EMSE (2017) ACM Inroads (2016, 2017) ESE (2017) ToMPECS (2017) SPE
 IEEE TDSC PPOPP'16 TOPLAS (2012, 2014, 2015) ASPLOS'15 USENIX Security 2014
 ISMM'14 OOPSLA'12 MSPC'12 HotPar'12 WoDet'12 OOPSLA'10 CCS'10

Institutional Service

Early Career Faculty and Staff Coordinator 2017–2018 academic year

Admission and Student Financial Aid Committee Science Division Representative 2016–present

Computer Science Table Co-organizer of weekly computing discussions 2015–present

Carver Grant Representative for the Computer Science Department 2016–present

ACM Programming Competition Coach Fall 2016

Hendrixson Fund Committee Representative for the Computer Science Department 2015–2016

Research Support

SCORE: Scalability-Oriented Optimization NSF XPS 2014
Funded. Co-author with PIs Emery D. Berger and Stephen Freund

Causal Profiling: Low-Overhead, High-Precision Profiling Google Research Award 2011
Funded. Co-author with PI Emery D. Berger

Talks

Causal Profiling

USENIX ATC 2016	Denver, CO	June 2016
SOSP 2015	Monterey, CA	October 2015
ASPLOS 2015 — Student Research Competition	Istanbul, Turkey	March 2015
POPL 2014 — Off the Beaten Track	San Diego, CA	January 2014

STABILIZER: Statistically Sound Performance Evaluation

ASPLOS 2013	Houston, TX	March 2013
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DTHREADS: Efficient, Deterministic Multithreading

IBM Research Internship Talk	Hawthorne, NY	July 2012
SOSP 2011	Cascais, Portugal	October 2011

Zozzle: Low-Overhead Mostly Static JavaScript Malware Detection

Microsoft Research Internship Talk	Redmond, WA	August 2010
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