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Professional Experience

Senior Principal Researcher, Systems Group, Microsoft Research 2019–present
Principal Researcher, Systems Group, Microsoft Research 2016–2019
Senior Researcher, Systems Group, Microsoft Research 2013–2016
Researcher, Systems Group, Microsoft Research 2002–2013
Microsoft Corporation

- Led, and participated in, research projects advancing the state of the art in systems and security
- Wrote and published papers in top-tier scientific conferences on operating systems, distributed systems, networking, and security
- Incorporated research advances into company products and services, including Azure, Bing, Windows, and System Center Configuration Manager
- Managed Principal and Senior Principal Researchers in the Systems Group
- Mentored summer interns working on research projects

Part-Time Lecturer Spring 2019
University of Washington

- Taught graduate distributed-systems course (CSE 552)

Graduate Student Researcher 1993–2001
University of California, Berkeley

- Devised and implemented research agenda to analyze the energy consumption of portable computers and develop systems techniques for improving their battery life
- Collaborated with colleagues on other systems research topics
- Published papers in conferences and journals

Research Intern Summers 1992–1994
Apple Computer, Inc.

- Measured the energy consumption of components of Macintosh computers in different states
- Wrote software to measure the real-life usage of various power states to form a complete picture of computer energy consumption

Course Consultant 1993
National Technological University

- Helped participants in a remote-learning computer architecture class understand the lecture materials
- Graded assignments and exams

Education

Ph.D. in Computer Science December 2001
University of California, Berkeley

Dissertation title: “Operating Systems Techniques for Reducing Processor Energy Consumption”
Committee: Alan Jay Smith (advisor), Randy H. Katz, Geoffrey Keppel

M.S. in Computer Science
University of California, Berkeley

December 1995

Dissertation title: “A Complete Picture of the Energy Consumption of a Portable Computer”
Advisor: Alan Jay Smith

B.S. in Computer Science, B.S. in Mathematics
Michigan State University

May 1992

Honors and Awards

Test of Time Award , USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST)	2021
Distinguished Paper Award , Conf. on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI)	2020
Best Talk Video , Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI)	2020
Distinguished Paper Award , USENIX Security Symposium	2017
Distinguished Reviewer Award , IEEE Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)	2017
Best Paper Award , USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2009
Outstanding Graduate Student Delegate , International Achievement Summit	2002
Siebel Scholar	2002
Fellowship Winner , University of California, Berkeley	1996
Fellowship Winner , National Science Foundation	1992–1995
Second Place in World , ACM Programming Contest (team captain)	1992
First Place in Region , ACM Programming Contest (team captain)	1991
Top 50 Finisher , Putnam Mathematics Prize Competition	1992
Top 100 Finisher , Putnam Mathematics Prize Competition	1989–1991

Service

Program Committee Co-Chair , Symp. on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2021
Program Committee Co-Chair , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2019
Program Committee Co-Chair , International Conference on Peer-to-Peer Computing (P2P)	2015
Program Committee Member , Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP)	2024
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2024
Program Committee Member , Conf. on Architectural Support for PLs and OSs (ASPLOS)	2024
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2023
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2023
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2022
Program Committee Member , Conf. on Architectural Support for PLs and OSs (ASPLOS)	2021
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2020
Program Committee Member , Workshop on Hot Topics in Operating Systems (HotOS)	2019
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2018
Program Committee Member , Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)	2018
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2018
Program Committee Member , Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP)	2017
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Program Committee Member , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2017
Program Committee Member , Symposium on Security and Privacy (S&P)	2016
Program Committee Member , Symp. on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2016
Program Committee Member , International World Wide Web Conference (WWW)	2015
Program Committee Member , Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST)	2014
Program Committee Member , Network and Distributed System Security Symposium (NDSS)	2014
Program Committee Member , Workshop on Hot Topics in Operating Systems (HotOS)	2013
Program Committee Member , Int. Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS)	2013

Program Committee Member , International Conference on Peer-to-Peer Computing (P2P)	2013
Program Committee Member , International Conference on Peer-to-Peer Computing (P2P)	2012
Program Committee Member , Workshop on Massively Multiuser Virtual Environments (MMVE)	2012
Program Committee Member , European Conference on Computer Systems (EuroSys)	2011
Program Committee Member , Workshop on Massively Multiuser Virtual Environments (MMVE)	2010
Program Committee Member , International Workshop on Peer-to-Peer Systems (IPTPS)	2009
Program Committee Member , International Workshop on Peer-to-Peer Systems (IPTPS)	2008
Steering Committee Member , Symposium on OS Design and Implementation (OSDI)	2021–present
Steering Committee Member , Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)	2019–present
Treasurer , Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP)	2015
Panelist , NSF Expeditions in Computing	2011
Registration Chair , Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP)	2009
Sponsorships Chair , Symposium on Operating Systems Principles (SOSP)	2007

Publications

- [1] Jacob R. Lorch, Yixuan Chen, Manos Kapritsos, Haojun Ma, Bryan Parno, Shaz Qadeer, Upamanyu Sharma, James R. Wilcox, and Xueyuan Zhao. Armada: Automated verification of concurrent code with sound semantic extensibility. *ACM Transactions on Programming Languages and Systems (TOPLAS)*, 44(2):1–39, June 2022.
- [2] Jacob R. Lorch, Yixuan Chen, Manos Kapritsos, Bryan Parno, Shaz Qadeer, Upamanyu Sharma, James R. Wilcox, and Xueyuan Zhao. Armada: Low-effort verification of high-performance concurrent programs. In *Proceedings of the ACM International Conference on Programming Language Design and Implementation (PLDI)*, Awarded “Distinguished Paper Award”. Association for Computing Machinery, June 2020.
- [3] Peng Huang, Chuanxiong Guo, Jacob R. Lorch, Lidong Zhou, and Yingnong Dang. Capturing and enhancing in situ system observability for failure detection. In *Proceedings of the USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)*. USENIX, October 2018.
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- [5] Chris Hawblitzel, Jon Howell, Manos Kapritsos, Jacob R. Lorch, Bryan Parno, Michael L. Roberts, Srinath Setty, and Brian Zill. IronFleet: Proving safety and liveness of practical distributed systems. *Communications of the ACM (CACM)*, 60(7):83–92, July 2017.
- [6] Peng Huang, Chuanxiong Guo, Lidong Zhou, Jacob R. Lorch, Yingnong Dang, Murali Chintalapati, and Randolph Yao. Gray failure: The Achilles’ heel of cloud-scale systems. In *Proceedings of the ACM Workshop on Hot Topics in Operating Systems (HotOS)*. ACM, May 2017.
- [7] Srinath Setty, Chunzhi Su, Jacob R. Lorch, Lidong Zhou, Hao Chen, Parveen Patel, and Jinglei Ren. Realizing the fault-tolerance promise of cloud storage using locks with intent. In *Proceedings of the USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)*. USENIX, November 2016.
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In *Proceedings of the USENIX Symposium on Networked Systems Design and Implementation (NSDI)*. USENIX – Advanced Computing Systems Association, May 2015.

- [10] Chris Hawblitzel, Jon Howell, Jacob R. Lorch, Arjun Narayan, Bryan Parno, Danfeng Zhang, and Brian Zill. Ironclad apps: End-to-end security via automated full-system verification. In *Proceedings of the USENIX Symposium on Operating Systems Design and Implementation (OSDI)*. USENIX, October 2014.
- [11] Christopher Smowton, Jacob R. Lorch, David Molnar, Stefan Saroiu, and Alec Wolman. Zero-effort payments: Design, deployment, and lessons. In *Proceedings of the ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing (Ubicomp)*, September 2014.
- [12] Andrew Baumann, Dongyoon Lee, Pedro Fonseca, Lisa Glendenning, Jacob R. Lorch, Barry Bond, Reuben Olinsky, and Galen C. Hunt. Composing OS extensions safely and efficiently with Bascule. In *Proceedings of the European Conference on Computer Systems (Eurosys)*. ACM, April 2013.
- [13] Jacob R. Lorch, Bryan Parno, James Mickens, Mariana Raykova, and Joshua Schiffman. Shroud: Enabling private access to large-scale data in the data center. In *Proceedings of the USENIX Conference on File and Storage Technologies (FAST)*. USENIX, February 2013.
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Patents

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2. “Statelessly populating data stream into successive files,” Jan. 2021, U.S. Patent No. 10,901,944.
3. “Executing native-code applications in a browser,” Nov. 2020, U.S. Patent No. 10,824,716.
4. “Intents and locks with intent,” Jun. 2020, U.S. Patent No. 10,691,622.
5. “Performing scalable, causally consistent reads using a logical wall clock,” Feb. 2020, U.S. Patent No. 10,564,665.
6. “End-to-end security for hardware running verified software,” Dec. 2018, U.S. Patent No. 10,148,442.
7. “Enforcing deterministic execution of threads of guest operating systems running in a virtual machine hosted on a multiprocessor machine,” Sep. 2017, U.S. Patent No. 9,753,754.
8. “Executing native-code applications in a browser,” Mar. 2017, U.S. Patent No. 9,588,803.
9. “Decentralized sleep management,” Feb. 2017, U.S. Patent No. 9,582,062.
10. “Automated verification of a software system,” Jan. 2017, U.S. Patent No. 9,536,093.
11. “Trusted hardware component for distributed systems,” Sep. 2016, U.S. Patent No. 9,455,992.
12. “End-to-end security for hardware running verified software,” Jun. 2016, U.S. Patent No. 9,363,087.
13. “Partitioned artificial intelligence for networked games,” May 2016, U.S. Patent No. 9,327,194.
14. “Utilization of a protected module to prevent offline dictionary attacks,” Mar. 2016, U.S. Patent No. 9,294,281.
15. “Securing anti-virus software with virtualization,” Jan. 2016, U.S. Patent No. 9,230,100.
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17. “Operating a sleep management service,” Feb. 2015, U.S. Patent No. 8,966,063.
18. “Fast, non-write-cycle-limited persistent memory for secure containers,” Aug. 2014, U.S. Patent No. 8,812,908.
19. “Method and apparatus for thwarting traffic analysis in online games,” May 2014, U.S. Patent No. 8,719,336.
20. “Leveraging remote server pools for client applications,” Oct. 2013, U.S. Patent No. 8,549,106.
21. “Securing anti-virus software with virtualization,” Nov. 2012, U.S. Patent No. 8,307,443.

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24. "Partitioned artificial intelligence for networked games," Mar. 2012, U.S. Patent No. 8,137,199.
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26. "Automatic commutativity detection for Generalized Paxos," Oct. 2011, U.S. Patent No. 8,046,413.
27. "Isolation environment-based information access," Sep. 2011, U.S. Patent No. 8,024,815.
28. "Reducing bandwidth requirements for peer-to-peer gaming based on error difference between actual game object state and simulated game object state being below an error threshold," Apr. 2011, U.S. Patent No. 7,925,601.
29. "Reducing bandwidth requirements for peer-to-peer gaming based on importance of remote objects to a local player," Dec. 2009, U.S. Patent No. 7,627,632.
30. "Lossless recovery for computer systems with map assisted state transfer," Dec. 2008, U.S. Patent No. 7,472,129.
31. "Efficient changing of replica sets in distributed fault-tolerant computing system," Feb. 2008, U.S. Patent No. 7,334,154.