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RESEARCH
INTERESTS

Edge Computing; Blockchain; Internet of Things; Consensus in Distributed Computing;
Security; Machine Learning

EDUCATION

College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, USA

Ph.D. Candidate, Computer Science 08/2011 – 05/2019
• Advisor: Dr. Qun Li

Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

M.Eng., Computer Science and Technology 09/2004 – 07/2007
B.S., Computer Science and Technology 09/2000 – 07/2004

PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, USA**

Research Assistant 09/2013 – 05/2019

- **Deep Learning with Edge Computing.** Conduct research on how to utilize edge computing to improve the performance of deep learning applications. Investigate the security issues in this scenario. The project is still ongoing.
- **Consensus for Geo-Distributed Systems.** Investigate the drawbacks of the consensus algorithms in the literature, including Multi-Paxos, Mencius, and E-Paxos. Design a novel consensus protocol for geo-distributed systems. The project is still ongoing.
- **Secure IoT Payments via Blockchain.** Study how to use blockchain to support secure payments through the Internet of Things (IoT) devices. Investigate the countermeasures against the double-spending attacks in the IoT payment scenario.
- **Consensus in Edge Computing.** Study the consensus problem in an edge-cloud computing environment, aiming at achieving as low user-perceived latency as possible.
- **Edge Computing Middleware.** Design and implement an edge computing middleware, along with a concise programming interface. Developers can build edge applications with minimal implementation effort via the programming interface, and the middleware guarantees high performance and robustness of the edge applications.
- **Edge Computing Testbed.** Build a testbed for edge computing using OpenStack and Docker. Implement two applications on the testbed for research: a face-recognition application and a video-analysis application.
- **Secure Mobile Computing on Cloud.** Design and implement a mobile-cloud platform for mobile users, which performs secure computations even if the mobile operating system has been compromised. Deeply investigate the source code of the QEMU/KVM hypervisor and the Linux Virtual File System (VFS).

Teaching Assistant 09/2011 – 05/2018

- CSCI 141L Computational Problem Solving (Lab), Fall 2017 & Spring 2018.
- CSCI 663 Theory of Computation, Spring 2013.
- CSCI 304/504 Computer Organization, Fall 2012.
- CSCI 241 Data Structures, Fall 2011 & Spring 2012.

Intelligent Automation, Inc., Rockville, MD, USA

Research and Development Intern

04/2017 – 08/2017

- Design a machine-learning-based method to detect the Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) attacks in a government network.
- Participate in the design and implementation of the web front-end for the APT diagnosis tool mentioned above.

Hanvon Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing, China

Senior Software Engineer

02/2009 – 06/2011

- Modify the Android framework to support the new hardware for Hanvon WISEreader.
- Investigate the implementation of ADB and DDMS in Android and design/implement the Production Testing Platform for Hanvon WISEreader.

Rakuten Communications CORP., Tokyo, Japan

Software Engineer

08/2007 – 01/2009

- Work as a full stack software engineer for several industry-level web applications. Participate in designing and implementing the database models, the web user interfaces, and the business logic for the applications.

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

- **FABA: An Algorithm for Fast Aggregation against Byzantine Attacks in Distributed Neural Networks,**

Qi Xia, Zeyi Tao, Zijiang Hao, and Qun Li,

to appear in the *Proceedings of the 2019 International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence (IJCAI '19)*, Macao, China, August 2019. Acceptance ratio: 17.9% (850/4752)

- **Nomad: An Efficient Consensus Approach for Latency-Sensitive Edge-Cloud Applications,**

Zijiang Hao, Shanhe Yi, and Qun Li,

in the *Proceedings of the 2019 IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM '19)*, Paris, France, April 2019. Acceptance ratio: 19.7% (288/1464)

- **FastPay: A Secure Fast Payment Method for Edge-IoT Platforms using Blockchain,**
Zijiang Hao, Raymond Ji, and Qun Li,

in the *Proceedings of the 2018 ACM/IEEE Workshop on Security and Privacy in Edge Computing (EdgeSP '18)*, pp. 410–415, Bellevue, WA, October 2018.

- **EdgeCons: Achieving Efficient Consensus in Edge Computing Networks,**

Zijiang Hao, Shanhe Yi, and Qun Li,

in the *Proceedings of the 2018 USENIX Workshop on Hot Topics in Edge Computing (Hot-Edge '18)*, Boston, MA, July 2018.

- **LAVEA: Latency-aware Video Analytics on Edge Computing Platform,**

Shanhe Yi, Zijiang Hao, Qingyang Zhang, Quan Zhang, Weisong Shi, and Qun Li,

in the *Proceedings of the 2017 ACM/IEEE Symposium on Edge Computing (SEC '17)*, pp. 15:1–15:13, San Jose/Fremont, CA, October 2017.

- **Towards User Re-Authentication on Mobile Devices via On-Screen Keyboard**,
Zijiang Hao and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2016 IEEE Workshop on Hot Topics in Web Systems and Technologies (HotWeb '16)*, pp. 78–83, Washington, DC, October 2016.
- **Fog Computing: Platform and Applications**,
Shanhe Yi, Zijiang Hao, Zhengrui Qin, and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2015 IEEE Workshop on Hot Topics in Web Systems and Technologies (HotWeb '15)*, pp. 73–78, Washington, DC, November 2015.
- **Physical Media Covert Channels on Smart Mobile Devices**,
Ed Novak, Yutao Tang, Zijiang Hao, Yifan Zhang, and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2015 ACM International Joint Conference on Pervasive and Ubiquitous Computing (UbiComp '15)*, pp. 367–378, Osaka, Japan, September 2015. Acceptance ratio: 23.6% (93/394)
- **Reducing Smartphone Application Delay through Read/Write Isolation**,
David T. Nguyen, Gang Zhou, Guoliang Xing, Xin Qi, Zijiang Hao, Ge Peng, and Qing Yang,
in the *Proceedings of the 2015 Annual International Conference on Mobile Systems, Applications, and Services (MobiSys '15)*, pp. 287–300, Florence, Italy, May 2015. Acceptance ratio: 13.2% (29/219)
- **SMOC: A Secure Mobile Cloud Computing Platform**,
Zijiang Hao, Yutao Tang, Yifan Zhang, Ed Novak, Nancy Carter, and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2015 IEEE International Conference on Computer Communications (INFOCOM '15)*, pp. 2668–2676, Hong Kong, China, April 2015. Acceptance ratio: 19.3% (316/1640)
- **A Survey of Virtual Machine Management in Edge Computing**,
Zeyi Tao, Qi Xia, Zijiang Hao, Cheng Li, Lele Ma, Shanhe Yi, and Qun Li,
Proceedings of the IEEE, in press.
- **Challenges and Software Architecture for Fog Computing**,
Zijiang Hao, Ed Novak, Shanhe Yi, and Qun Li,
IEEE Internet Computing Magazine, vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 44–53, March 2017.
- **LAVEA: Latency-aware Video Analytics on Edge Computing Platform (Poster)**,
Shanhe Yi, Zijiang Hao, Qingyang Zhang, Quan Zhang, Weisong Shi, and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2017 IEEE International Conference on Distributed Computing Systems (ICDCS '17)*, pp. 2573–2574, Atlanta, GA, June 2017.
- **Poster Abstract: EdgeStore: Integrating Edge Computing into Cloud-Based Storage Systems**,
Zijiang Hao and Qun Li,
in the *Proceedings of the 2016 IEEE/ACM Symposium on Edge Computing (SEC '16)*, pp. 115–116, Washington, DC, October 2016.

JOURNAL &
MAGAZINE
PUBLICATIONS

POSTER
PUBLICATIONS

AWARDS &
GRANTS

- Honorable Mention Award, UbiComp '15.
- IEEE Student Grant, SEC '16 and INFOCOM '15.
- Arts & Sciences OGSR/Graduate Student Association Conference Funds, College of William and Mary, 2015.

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES

- Conference reviewer: CNS '19, PerCom WiP '19, INFOCOM '18, CNS '18, ICDCS '18, INFOCOM '17, CNS '16, Globecom '16, INFOCOM '16, IWQoS '15, INFOCOM '15, ICNP '14, CNS '14, IWQoS '14, INFOCOM '14.
- Journal reviewer: Proceedings of the IEEE, IEEE Transactions on Network and Service Management, IEEE/ACM Transactions on Networking, IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications, IEEE Transactions on Services Computing.

PROFESSIONAL
SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Java, C/C++, Python, Go, JavaScript, Solidity.
- Tools and Frameworks: Docker, Redis, OpenStack, Raft, Oracle DB, MySQL.
- System Experience: Android Framework, FUSE File System, Linux VFS, Ext4 File System.

REFERENCES

Dr. Qun Li (advisor), *Professor, IEEE Fellow*

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