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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Microsoft Corp.**, Santa Clara, CA • Software Engineer, Azure Storage April 2024–present  
Working on scale-out block storage for Azure on pipelined Data Processing Units (DPUs) (C, C++).

**Center for Research in Storage and Systems**, UC Santa Cruz • Graduate Student Researcher 2017–2024  
(i) Setup and maintenance of research clusters: ldap, NFS, provisioning, troubleshooting, sysadmin, and networking. (ii) Mentoring, collaboration, feedback, and assistance to other CRSS research projects. (iii) Teaching Assistant for courses in operating systems, databases, and programming.

**SK Hynix America Inc.**, San Jose, CA • Architecture Enabling Intern 2019  
Worked on two projects: (i) Analysis and simulation of a variety of cold storage workloads for QLC flash in Python, and (ii) Reduce Ceph's recovery bandwidth with inline compression (C++).

**Riverbed Inc.**, Sunnyvale, CA • Engineering Intern 2017  
Refactored and modernized outdated network statistics collection codebase to implement a multi-threaded, non-blocking solution in golang.

## PROJECTS & PUBLICATIONS

**Shimmer: Hint Generation and Data Placement on Modern SSDs** 2022–2023  
Shimmer is a dynamic library written in Rust which uses a *shim* layer to intercept libc calls and redirect them with workload hints. Shimmer improves write throughput by 30–90% on ZNS SSDs while reducing tail latency by 14× for RocksDB, MongoDB, and Cachelib.  
Publications: [[CIDR'22](#)] [[Under Submission](#)].

**Persimmon: A filesystem for Zoned Namespaces** 2021–2023  
Persimmon updates F2FS metadata to be append-only, optimizing the filesystem for the ZNS interface, reducing garbage collection, tail latency, and improving storage utilization.  
Publications: [[ICCD'23](#)].

**Analysis of peta-scale scientific archives** 2016–2019  
Analysis of a year of petabyte filesystem activity at CERN, spanning 2.4 billion file events done in Apache spark, with suggestions for optimizations, and comparison with historical trends.  
Publications: [[CHEOPS'22](#)] [[SIGOPS operating systems review #56](#)].

## EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Cruz, Baskin School of Engineering 2016–2024  
**Ph.D. Computer Science.** June 2024

Dissertation: *“Enhancing Flash Storage Performance and Lifetime with Host-Guided Data Placement.”*

**MS Computer Science** 2022

Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, India. 2012–2016  
**BE Computer Engineering** — First Class with Distinction

## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

**Programming:** Rust, C, C++, Python, SQL, NVMe.

**Tools:** Linux storage stack, filesystems, io\_uring, shell, Spark, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, qemu, strace.

## SERVICE

**!!Con West** • Organizer 2019, 2020  
Conference on the joy, surprise, and excitement of computing.

**Mastodon:** [discuss.systems](https://discuss.systems) • Administrator 2022–present  
A Mastodon instance for systems researchers run by Dan Ports, Irene Zhang, and me.