Lambros Petrou

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Work Experience

Cloudflare, UK — Principal Software Engineer

Emerging Technology and Incubation (ETI) — Developer Platform

Datadog, UK — Senior Software Engineer

APM Distributed Tracing

- Developed features in the APM Tracing ingestion pipeline across services serving million(s) QPS (Go, Java).
- Implemented the infrastructure and CI/CD for highly-available TrinoDB clusters (Java, Bazel, Kubernetes).

Facebook (Meta), UK — Senior Software Engineer

WhatsApp Dev Infra

- Implemented core components for FAUSTA, a dynamic code analysis platform that detects reliability and privacy-related issues in WhatsApp server. Namely, a new high-throughput traffic replayer (1000+ qps) with a 35x improvement in performance, isolated server environments for deterministic test runs, and support for dynamically configuring the server test instances (Erlang, Python).
- Contributed to the paper FAUSTA: Scaling Dynamic Analysis with Traffic Generation at WhatsApp that received the "Best Industry Paper award" (link).
- Designed, proposed, and implemented an extension of the FAUSTA platform to provide continuous performance regression detection for WhatsApp server using A/B testing between different code revisions.
- Worked on the Continuous Integration (CI) workflows for WhatsApp server (Erlang, Python).

Amazon / Amazon Web Services (AWS), UK – Software Engineer

- Amazon Profiler & Amazon CodeGuru Profiler team (Jun 2017 Apr 2020)
 - Part of the team that created, and launched Amazon CodeGuru Profiler at AWS re:Invent 2019.
 - Lead engineer supporting 3 teams across the US and the UK for the infrastructure platform of the CodeGuru Console. Offerred training and mentoring to junior engineers onboarded into the AWS Console ecosystem.
 - Architected and developed the CodeGuru Profiler API multi-region infrastructure and CI/CD pipelines using Infrastructure as Code (IaC) with CloudFormation and AWS CDK (Kotlin, Typescript).
 - Researched, proposed, and implemented key parts of the "Profiler Efficiency Recommendations" feature which codifies performance efficiency issues and provides recommendations to the users, saving the company millions of \$ in infrastructure costs.
 - Pioneered the way to deploy serverless Amazon-authenticated internal websites, by creating and maintaining an AWS Lambda@Edge library used by many teams across Amazon (e.g. AWS, Alexa, Retail). My work served as the blueprint for other teams to build their own frameworks on-top.
 - Developed and optimized core parts of the Profiler website enabling the flamegraph visualizations to smoothly render hundreds of thousands of elements.
 - Implemented key backend features and APIs written in Java and Kotlin.
- LOVEFiLM By Post DVD and Blu-ray rental service team (Sep 2015 May 2017)
 - Lead engineer for the LOVEFILM By Post mobile application (Javascript).
 - Worked on backend API services and the LOVEFiLM website (Java, Spring MVC).
- Amazon Web Services Certifications
 - AWS Certified Professional DevOps Engineer, AWS Certified Associate (3x)

Amazon Development Centre, UK — Software Engineer Intern

- LOVEFiLM By Post DVD and Blu-ray rental service team
 - Implemented a desktop app automating the printing of dispatched envelope labels (.NET, Java, Swing).

Data Management Systems Lab, UCY, Cyprus — Software Engineer

- AnyPlace: Indoor Positioning and Navigation System for Big Data <u>anyplace.cs.ucy.ac.cy</u>
 - Developed a REST API, a website, and an Android app offering real-time positioning and navigation.

Apr 2020 — Aug 2022

Sep 2022 — Jun 2024

Jul 2024 — Present

Sep 2015 — Apr 2020

Jun 2014 — Aug 2014

Jun 2013 — Jun 2014

Education

University of Oxford, UK

- Master of Science in Computer Science (MSc), Grade: Distinction
- Thesis: Single-round vs Multi-round Distributed Query Processing in Factorised Databases

University of Cyprus (UCY), Cyprus

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (BSc), Grade: Distinction (ranked 1st of class)
- Thesis: AnyPlace: Indoor Positioning and Navigation System for Big Data

Languages & Technologies

Languages: Go, Java, Kotlin, Python, Javascript

Projects

- <u>www.lambrospetrou.com</u> (2008 present)
 - Personal website and blog.
- <u>www.skybear.net</u> (2024 present)
 Skybear.NET is a managed platform automating synthetics API testing with declarative workflows.

Publications

- Paper: "<u>FAUSTA: Scaling Dynamic Analysis with Traffic Generation at WhatsApp</u>" Ke Mao, Timotej Kapus, Lambros Petrou, Ákos Hajdu, Matteo Marescotti, Andreas Löscher, Mark Harman, Dino Distefano, IEEE International Conference on Software Testing, Verification and Validation (ICST 2022)
- Demo paper: "Anyplace: A Crowdsourced Indoor Information Service", K.Georgiou, T.Constambeys, C.Laoudias, L.Petrou, G.Chatzimilioudis and D.Zeinalipour-Yazti "Proceedings of the 16th IEEE International Conference on Mobile Data Management" (MDM '15), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, June 15-18, 2015
- Demo paper: "Crowdsourced Indoor Localization and Navigation with Anyplace", L.Petrou, G.Larkou, C.Laoudias, D.Zeinalipour-Yazti and C.G.Panayiotou "Proceedings of the 13th International Conference on Information Processing in Sensor Networks" (IPSN '14), Berlin, Germany, April 15-17, 2014
- Demo paper: "Anyplace: Indoor Positioning and Navigation in the Big-Data Era", L.Petrou, G.Larkou, C.Laoudias, D.Zeinalipour-Yazti and C.G.Panayiotou "Proceedings of the 4th International Conference on Indoor Positioning and Indoor Navigation" (IPIN '13), Montbeliard-Belfort, France, October 28-31, 2013

Awards & Achievements

- Best Industry Paper award, ICST-2022 (link) for <u>FAUSTA: Scaling Dynamic Analysis with Traffic Generation at</u> <u>WhatsApp</u>.
- Awarded for one of the few HEFCE scholarships for graduate studies at University of Oxford, UK (Fall 2014).
- Granted for a Fulbright Student Scholarship for graduate studies in USA (Fall 2014).
- ACM SIGMOD 2015 Programming Contest, ranked 1st nationwide (Cyprus & UK) and 5th worldwide among 38 teams. Selected as one of the finalists to present our solution in ACM SIGMOD conference in Melbourne, Australia (<u>http://db.in.tum.de/sigmod15contest/leaders.html</u>).
- ACM SIGMOD 2014 Programming Contest, ranked 1st nationwide and 9th worldwide among 33 teams (<u>http://www.cs.albany.edu/~sigmod14contest/leaders.html</u>).
- ACM SIGMOD 2013 Programming Contest, ranked *1st nationwide* and 10th worldwide among 55 teams (<u>http://sigmod.kaust.edu.sa/leaderboard.html</u>).

Sep 2010 — Jun 2014

Sep 2014 — Sep 2015