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Work Experience

Bloomberg LP

New York, NY

Senior Software Engineer

Aug. 2017 — Current

- Member of the Engineering Champs organization, helping to guide the technical direction of the company.
- Designed low-latency caching service of feature enablement flags with real-time updates over Apache Kafka.
- Accelerated feedback cycle of oracle-testing system for DSL describing financial quotes.
- Extended FORTRAN parser to support non-standard language features, helping to launch new team doing automated refactoring of legacy codebase.
- Designed and maintained libraries and infrastructure for writing Haskell at Bloomberg.

UC San Diego

La Jolla, CA

Graduate Student Researcher

Sep. 2012 — Aug. 2017

- Applied machine-learning techniques to improve type-error localization for Hindley-Milner type systems.
 - * Outperforms other localization techniques on novice type-errors with only one semester of training data (E. L. Seidel, Sibghat, Chaudhuri, Weimer, and Jhala 2017).
- Built tool to synthesize counter-examples to type errors.
 - * Performs type-checking alongside execution, produces trace demonstrating how program gets stuck (E. L. Seidel, Jhala, and Weimer 2016).
- Worked on LiquidHaskell, a refinement type-based verifier for Haskell.
 - * Implemented efficient testing framework using refinement types to prune input search space (E. L. Seidel, Vazou, and Jhala 2015).
 - * Verified memory safety and functional correctness of Data.Text library, discovered and fixed a memory bug in the process.

Bloomberg LP

New York, NY

Software Engineering Intern

Jun. 2016 — Aug. 2016

- Worked on Haskell libraries to communicate with existing software infrastructure.

Galois, Inc.

Portland, OR

Software Engineering Intern

Sep. 2014 — Dec. 2014

- Worked on symbolic verifier for Ivory, an EDSL for programming embedded systems.

Fluidinfo Inc.

New York, NY

Software Developer

May 2011 — Sep. 2012

- Analyzed and imported large datasets, and assisted with front- and back-end development.

Cactus Computational Toolkit

New York, NY

Undergraduate Researcher

Feb. 2010 — May 2011

- Developed tools to assist in the assembly and building of complex simulation software.

Education

UC San Diego
Ph.D. Computer Science

La Jolla, CA 2017

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- Thesis: "Data-Driven Techniques for Type Error Diagnosis"

The City College of New York

New York, NY

2012

- B.S. Computer Science
 - Graduated Magna Cum Laude.
 - Received Engineering Achievement Medal (top of graduating class).

Open Source Contributions & Service

- Member of the GHC Steering Committee (2018 Current).
- Served on the Haskell Symposium 2019 Program Committee.
- Contributed HasCallStack, a lightweight call-stack mechanism, to GHC.
- Contributed to macOS support in the Nix package manager and software distribution.

Publications

- E. L. Seidel, R. Jhala, and W. Weimer (2018). "Dynamic witnesses for static type errors (or, Ill-Typed Programs Usually Go Wrong)". In: *J. Funct. Programming* 28
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- E. L. Seidel, R. Jhala, and W. Weimer (2016). "Dynamic Witnesses for Static Type Errors (or, Ill-Typed Programs Usually Go Wrong)". In: *Proceedings of the 21st ACM SIGPLAN International Conference on Functional Programming*. ICFP 2016. Nara, Japan: ACM, pp. 228–242
- T. Elliott, L. Pike, S. Winwood, P. Hickey, J. Bielman, J. Sharp, E. Seidel, and J. Launchbury (2015). "Guilt free ivory". In: *Proceedings of the 8th ACM SIGPLAN Symposium on Haskell*. ACM, pp. 189–200
- E. L. Seidel, N. Vazou, and R. Jhala (2015). "Type Targeted Testing". In: *Programming Languages and Systems*. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, pp. 812–836
- N. Vazou, E. L. Seidel, and R. Jhala (2014). "Liquidhaskell: Experience with refinement types in the real world". In: *Proceedings of the 2014 ACM SIGPLAN symposium on Haskell*. ACM, pp. 39–51
- N. Vazou, E. L. Seidel, R. Jhala, D. Vytiniotis, and S. Peyton-Jones (2014). "Refinement types for haskell". In: *Proceedings of the 19th ACM SIGPLAN international conference on Functional programming*. ACM, pp. 269–282