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## Research

Applying the tools of data analysis and machine learning to the design of optimizing compilers. My work focuses on analysis and optimization of low-level machine code in the absence of its original source, and recently, FPGA development

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## Education

- 2008–2015 **Ph.D., Computer Science**, *Stanford University*, Stanford CA.  
Stochastic Program Optimization for x86\_64 Binaries – Advised by Prof. Alex Aiken
- 2006–2008 **M.S., Computer Science**, *Stanford University*, Stanford CA.  
Artificial Intelligence Concentration
- 2001–2005 **B.S.E., Computer Science**, *The University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor MI.
- 2001–2005 **B.S.E., Computer Engineering**, *The University of Michigan*, Ann Arbor MI.

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## Professional Experience

- 2015–Present **Researcher**, *VMware Research Group*, Palo Alto CA.  
Bringing innovation in computer science in core areas of importance to VMware
- 2012–2015 **Expert Consultant**, *Feinberg Day Alberti & Thompson LLP*, Palo Alto CA.  
Litigating intellectual property law
- 2010–2011 **Research Intern**, *Microsoft Research*, Redmond WA.  
Improving the throughput of the Bing search engine
- 2005 **Junior Software Developer**, *Bloomberg, L.P.*, New York NY.  
Implementing search tools for financial news feeds

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## Teaching Experience

- 2012 **Course Assistant**, *CS243 Program Analysis and Optimizations*.  
Taught by Prof. Monica Lam, Stanford University
- 2011 **Course Assistant**, *CS242 Programming Languages*.  
Taught by Prof. John Mitchell, Stanford University
- 2008 **Course Assistant**, *CS227b General Game Playing*.  
Taught by Prof. Michael Genesereth, Stanford University
- 2005 **Teaching Assistant**, *EECS270 Introduction to Logic Design*.  
Taught by Prof. Igor Markov, The University of Michigan

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## Advising Experience

- 2018 **Ram Srivatsa Kannan**, *VMware Research Intern*.  
Improving the performance of software-simulated Verilog programs
- 2016 **Berkeley R. Churchill**, *VMware Research Intern*.  
Automatically identifying third-party components in x86\_64 binaries

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## Professional Service

- 2018 **Program Committee**, *Symposium on Cloud Computing*.  
SoCC 2018
- 2017 **Program Committee**, *World Wide Web Conference*.  
WWW 2017
- 2016 **Program Committee**, *Asia Pacific Workshop on Systems*.  
ApSys 2016
- 2008 **Co-Chair**, *AAAI General Game Playing Competition*.  
AAAI 2008
- 2007 **Co-Chair**, *AAAI General Game Playing Competition*.  
AAAI 2007

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## Honors and Appointments

- 2013–2014 **Guest Critic**, *Architecture Studio 4*.  
Department of Art and Architecture, University of San Francisco
- 2013 **Recipient**, *Ole Agesen Graduate Fellowship*.  
VMware
- 2011–2012 **DJ**, *90.1 FM KZSU Stanford*.  
Stanford University
- 2008 **Recipient**, *Computer Science Graduate Fellowship*.  
Stanford University
- 2004–2005 **Officer**, *Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical Engineering Honor Society*.  
The University of Michigan
- 2004–2005 **Recipient**, *Angell Hall Academic Scholarship Award*.  
The University of Michigan
- 2001–2005 **Recipient**, *Dean's List and University Honors*.  
The University of Michigan
- 2001–2005 **Recipient**, *Richard Earhart Academic Scholarship*.  
The University of Michigan

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## Patents

- 2016 **US 9355470 B2**, *Method and System for Interactive Layout*.  
Paul Merrell, Vladlen Koltun, Eric Schkufza, Maneesh Agrawala

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## Case Work

- 2013–2014 **Code Review**, *Case No. 1:13cv740-AJT/TRJ*.  
Intellectual Ventures I LLC and Intellectual Ventures II LLC, Plaintiffs, v. Capital One Financial Corporation, Capital One Bank (USA), N.A., and Capital One, N.A., Defendants

- 2013–2014 **Code Review**, Case No. *13-cv-61358-rosenbaum/hunt*.  
Intellectual Ventures I LLC and Intellectual Ventures II LLC, Plaintiffs, v. Motorola  
Mobility LLC, Defendant
- 2012–2013 **Code Review**, Case No. *1:11-cv-908-SLR*.  
Intellectual Ventures I LLC and Intellectual Ventures II LLC, Plaintiffs v. Motorola  
Mobility, Inc., Defendant

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## Refereed Journal Publications

Eric Schkufza, Rahul Sharma, and Alex Aiken. Stochastic program optimization. *Communications of the ACM Research Highlights*, February 2016.

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## Refereed Conference Publications

Ahmed Khawaja, Joshua Landgraf, Rohith Prakash, Michael Wei, Eric Schkufza, and Christopher Rossbach. Sharing, protection and compatibility for reconfigurable fabric with amorpos. *OSDI*, 2018.

Stefan Heule, Eric Schkufza, Rahul Sharma, and Alex Aiken. Stratified synthesis: Automatically learning the x86-64 instruction set. *PLDI*, 2016.

Rahul Sharma, Eric Schkufza, Berkeley R. Churchill, and Alex Aiken. Conditionally correct superoptimization. *OOPSLA*, 2015.

Eric Schkufza, Rahul Sharma, and Alex Aiken. Stochastic optimization of floating-point programs with tunable precision. *PLDI*, 2014.

Rahul Sharma, Eric Schkufza, Berkeley R. Churchill, and Alex Aiken. Data-driven equivalence checking. *OOPSLA*, 2013.

Eric Schkufza, Rahul Sharma, and Alex Aiken. Stochastic superoptimization. *ASPLOS*, 2013.

Paul Merrell, Eric Schkufza, Zeyang Li, Maneesh Agrawala, and Vladlen Koltun. Interactive furniture layout using interior design guidelines. *SIGGRAPH*, 2011.

Michael Bauer, John Clark, Eric Schkufza, and Alex Aiken. Programming the memory hierarchy revisited: supporting irregular parallelism in sequoia. *PPOPP*, 2011.

Paul Merrell, Eric Schkufza, and Vladlen Koltun. Computer-generated residential building layouts. *SIGGRAPH Asia*, 2010.

Eric Schkufza, Nathaniel Love, and Michael R. Genesereth. Propositional automata and cell automata: Representational frameworks for discrete dynamic systems. *AI*, 2008.

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## Refereed Workshop Publications

Tal Wagner, Eric Schkufza, and Udi Wieder. A sampling-based approach to accelerating queries in log management systems. *SPLASH*, 2016.

Himanshu Chauhan, Irina Calciu, Vijay Chidambaram, Eric Schkufza, Onur Mutlu, and Pratap Subrahmanyam. NVMOVE: helping programmers move to byte-based persistence. *INFLOW@OSDI*, 2016.

Eric Schkufza and Alex Aiken. Optimizing out overcomputation. *APPROX*, 2014.

Evan Cox, Eric Schkufza, Ryan Madsen, and Michael R. Genesereth. Factoring general games using propositional automata. *GIGA*, 2009.

Eric Schkufza. Decomposition of games for efficient reasoning. *SARA*, 2007.

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## Technical Reports

Berkeley Churchill and Eric Schkufza. A compiler insensitive technique for identifying third-party components in x86\_64 binaries. *VMware Research Group*, 2017.

Eric Schkufza. *Stochastic Program Optimization for x86\_64 Binaries*. PhD thesis, Stanford University, 2015.

Eric Schkufza, Rahul Sharma, Berkeley R. Churchill, and Alex Aiken. Quantitative binary synthesis. *Stanford University*, 2014.

Eric Schkufza, Trishul Chilimbi, and James Larus. Visage: A domain-specific language for document feature extraction. *Microsoft Research*, 2011.

Nat Love, Tim Hinrichs, David Haley, Eric Schkufza, and Michael R. Genesereth. Game description language specification. *Stanford University*, 2008.