Hongchao Deng

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Education

Carnegie Mellon University Aug 2012 - May 2014 M.S. in Information Network Institute Focused on distributed systems. Implemented EPaxos advised by David G. Anderson.

Sun Yat-Sen University

B.S. in Computer Science Department GPA: 3.9/4.0. Rank 1st. ACM/ICPC competition first prize.

Work Experience

Helium Three Technology

Founder and Chief Technology Offier

- Founded **He3** (a modern developer toolbox), where I led the whole product lifecycle, from ideation to fundraising, team building, development, marketing, etc.
- Hands-on experience of building apps using **Vue**, **Electron**, **Express**, **Prisma** on Tencent Cloud.
- Leveraged **GPT-4**, **LangChain**, and **Pipecone** to enhance our users' search experience.

Alibaba U.S.

Staff Engineer and Senior Architect

- Led the cluster scheduling team to support cloud-native transformation of company-level compute infrastructure (CPU, GPU, FPGA, NUMA).
- Scaled largest Kubernetes cluster to **26,000 nodes** through innovative algorithms such as equivalence class, relaxed randomization, delta cache.
- Collaborated with the AI team to apply machine learning algorithms to achieve well-balanced, high utilization of cluster resources.
- Implemented cluster monitoring and analysis using **Prometheus**, Grafana, and Alibaba Cloud Log Service.
- Founded **Open Application Model** and **KubeVela** (CNCF Incubating project), in collaboration with Microsoft Azure, to streamline multi-cloud application deployment.

CoreOS (acquired by RedHat)

Senior Engineer and Team Manager

- Contributed to the development and upkeep of the **Kubernetes** open source project, where I had improved the scheduler performance by 1400%.
- Pioneered the creation of the **Kubernetes Operator** pattern, which has now become a widely adopted solution for operating bespoke applications on Kubernetes.
- Hands-on experience of operating our cloud offerings on AWS and Azure using Terraform, Helm, Docker, Jenkins.
- Led the Kubernetes operator team, where I co-founded etcd operator, vault operator, operator framework open source projects.

Cloudera

Software Engineer

• Contributed to the development and upkeep of the **ZooKeeper** project in both open source and Cloudera commercial platform.

Mar 2018 - Apr 2022 Sunnyvale, CA

Oct 2015 - Mar 2018 San Francisco, CA

May 2014 - Oct 2015

Palo Alto. CA

Apr 2022 - Present Shenzhen, China

Pittsburgh, PA

Sep 2008 - Jun 2012 Guangzhou, China

Service

Co-Chair of CNCF App-Delivery TAG Cloud Native Computing Foundation

Maintainer of Kubernetes project Cloud Native Computing Foundation

Committer of ZooKeeper project Apache Software Foundation

Track Chair & Reviewer KubeCon + CloudNativeCon North America 2022

Track Chair & Reviewer KubeCon + CloudNativeCon Europe 2022

Session Producer & Host CSDI Technology Summit Shenzhen 2021

Public Talks

Introduction and Deep-Dive into TAG App Delivery KubeCon + CloudNativeCon North America 2021

Zero Pain Microservice Development and Deployment with Dapr and KubeVela *KubeCon + CloudNativeCon Europe 2021*

Standardizing Cloud Native Application Delivery Across Different Clouds *KubeCon + CloudNativeCon North America 2020*

How Alibaba Improves Developer Experience on Kubernetes DeveloperWeek 2020, San Francisco

Serverless Beyond FaaS Serverless Practitioners Summit Europe 2020

What is Kubernetes Operator? How to Build It with Go? GopherCon China 2017

Golang Performance Debugging and Tuning in Large Scale Distributed Systems GopherCon China 2016

1000 Nodes and Beyond: Performance Improvement in Kubernetes CoreOS SF Day 2016

TaskGraph – A Distributed, Fault Tolerant Machine Learning Framework CoreOS Fest 2015

Language Proficiencies

EnglishFull professional proficiencyChineseNative proficiency

Work Authorization

I currently hold H1B Visa (no lottery needed) and can legally work in the United States.