

# Michael J. Giardino

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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Heterogeneous compute and memory systems; microarchitectures for cloud computing; serverless computing models; hardware acceleration; power-aware computing; disaggregated computing; hardware-software co-design; scheduling and resource allocation; low power architectures; hardware protection mechanisms	
EDUCATION	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> , Atlanta, GA Ph.D., Electrical and Computer Engineering, January 2019 Dissertation: <i>A Software Framework for Application-Guided Power-Aware Control Systems</i> (Advisor: Bonnie Ferri) M.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, August 2013 <b>University of New Orleans</b> , New Orleans, LA B.S., Electrical Engineering (Minor: Computer Science), May 2011	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Principal Researcher</b> Huawei Technologies – Zürich Research Center – Computing Systems Laboratory  Research areas: Heterogeneous computing, cloud-native architectures, disaggregated systems, RISC-V for serverless  <b>Postdoctoral Researcher</b> ETH Zürich – Department of Computer Science – Systems Group Principal Investigator: Timothy Roscoe  <b>Enzian</b> (custom two-socket CPU-FPGA server platform): Planning of short and long-term goals of the project; developed firmware for board management controller; designed system for testing electrical properties of custom motherboard; modeling of system power and performance; research on mechanisms for resource management; development of FPGA-CPU coherence interconnect <b>Future Serverless Architectures</b> : Novel microarchitectures for serverless (RISC-V based); (co)developed new software architecture for low-overhead serverless computing; CHERI hardware capability-based isolation mechanisms; allocation and scheduling of heterogeneous resources <b>System Power Management</b> : advanced ML algorithms ( $Q(\lambda)$ , SARSA( $\lambda$ )) for power management; declarative programming of device drivers; provably correct power distribution management; power-aware scheduling/allocations <b>Strategy and Advising</b> : Proposed and supervised long-term research goals for the group; defined new areas of research through funding and thesis proposals; (co)supervised 10 MSc and 9 BSc theses, PhD students, and semester projects; presented representative group work in industry, academia, and conferences; discovered and maintained internal and external research collaborations; broad responsibilities for student supervision, scheduling, and planning	February 2023 - present  August 2019 - January 2023
	<b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> Georgia Institute of Technology – Advisor: Bonnie Ferri Projects: Researched power-aware systems, control systems, performance metrics and scheduling. Used machine learning (artificial neural networks and Q-Learning) to model and predict power-performance states.	August 2012–December 2018
	<b>Opportunity Research Scholar Mentor</b> Georgia Institute of Technology Project: Led a team of undergraduates in research into power-aware control systems using machine learning.	August 2015–May 2017

Enterprise and Big Data - Software and Services Group  
Intel Corporation - Chandler, AZ  
Supervisor: Kshitij Doshi

**H-Store:** Modified H-Store in-memory database to support heterogeneous memory  
**Soft2LM:** Added region-based allocation and migration to Linux memory manager for heterogeneous memory

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RESEARCH

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- Lukas Humbel, Daniel Schwyn, Nora Hossle, Roni Haecki, Melissa Licciardello, Jan Schaer, David Cock, **Michael Giardino**, and Timothy Roscoe. 2021. A model-checked i<sup>2</sup>c specification. In *International Symposium on Model Checking Software*. Springer. (Aug. 2021), 177–193. ISBN: 978-3-030-84629-9. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-030-84629-9\\_10](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-84629-9_10).
- Jasmin Schult, Daniel Schwyn, **Michael Giardino**, David Cock, Reto Achermann, and Timothy Roscoe. 2021. Declarative power sequencing. *ACM Trans. Embed. Comput. Syst.*, 20, 5s, Article 84, (Sept. 2021), 21 pages. DOI: [10.1145/3477039](https://doi.org/10.1145/3477039).
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B. Muldrey, S. Deyati, **M. J. Giardino**, and A. Chatterjee. 2013. Ravage: post-silicon validation of mixed signal systems using genetic stimulus evolution and model tuning. In *2013 IEEE 31st VLSI Test Symposium (VTS)*. (Apr. 2013), 1–6. DOI: [10.1109/VTS.2013.6548917](https://doi.org/10.1109/VTS.2013.6548917).

**Michael Giardino**, Brandon Samuels, and Dimitrios Charalampidis. 2010. Multiple Vehicle Detection and Tracking Using an Adaptive System. In *Intelligent Engineering Systems through Artificial Neural Networks, Volume 20*. ASME Press, (Jan. 2010). ISBN: 9780791859599. DOI: [10.1115/1.859599.paper49](https://doi.org/10.1115/1.859599.paper49).

## AWARDS

### Professional Awards

Huawei Future Star 2023

### Student Awards

President’s Fellowship 2011-2016

ECE Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award Spring 2014

1st place team - IEEE Region 5 Robotics Competition 2011

Dean’s List 2008-2011

Outstanding Sophomore in the College of Engineering 2008-2009

ISA Donald Iverson Scholarship 2009

## INVITED TALKS

Future Heterogeneous Cloud Systems September 2023  
*University of New Orleans, USA*

Enzian: A Heterogeneous Platform for a Heterogeneous World July 2022  
*VMware Research, Palo Alto, USA*

Enzian: An Open Heterogeneous Research Computer December 2021  
*National University of Singapore, Singapore*

## SERVICE

Shadow PC, Eurosyst 2023, 2024

ACM Europe Technology Policy Committee (ETPC) 2023–

Journal Reviewer, IEEE Transactions on Computers 2019, 2021-22, 2024

Artifact Evaluation Committee, HPCA 2024

Artifact Evaluation Committee, OSDI/ATC 2023

	Artifact Evaluation Board, Journal of Systems Research	2021-3
	Journal Reviewer, ACM Trans. on Embedded Comp. Sys. (TECS)	2022
	Artifact Evaluation Committee, SOSP	2021
	Postdoc+ Board, Assn. of Sci. Staff at ETH (AVETH)	2021-22
	Artifact Evaluation Committee, EuroSys	2021
	President, University of New Orleans IEEE-HKN Chapter	2010-2011
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Instructor of Record</b> (Designed new course)	Spring 2022, 2023, 2024
	Heterogeneous Systems Seminar	
	D-INFK - ETH Zürich	
	<b>Coinstructor</b>	Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
	Computing Platforms Seminar	
	D-INFK - ETH Zürich	
	<b>Coinstructor</b>	Fall 2023
	Hardware Acceleration for Data Processing	
	D-INFK – ETH Zürich	
	<b>Substitute Teacher</b>	December 2019–June 2020
	Substitute Middle and High School Teacher	
	American School of Milan	
Milan, Italy		
<b>Tutor</b>	October 2016–December 2018	
SAT, ACT, AP Tutor for High School Students		
Within Reach Educational Consultants		
Atlanta, GA		
<b>Lead Teaching Assistant</b>	Fall 2012–Spring 2014	
Teaching Enhancement via Small-Scale Affordable Labs (TESSAL) Center		
School of Electrical and Computer Engineering,		
Georgia Institute of Technology		
<b>Technical Writing Consultant</b>	Fall 2011–Summer 2012	
Undergraduate Professional Writing Program		
Instructor: Christina Bourgeois		
School of Electrical and Computer Engineering,		
Georgia Institute of Technology		
LANGUAGES	<b>English</b> – Native	
	<b>Italian</b> – Conversational (B1-B2)	
	<b>German</b> – Elementary	