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- RESEARCH INTERESTS
- ◇ Database Replication, Transaction Concurrency Control
  - ◇ Distributed Information Systems, Peer-to-Peer Data Management Systems
  - ◇ Middleware
  - ◇ Group Communication Systems
  - ◇ Airflow Modelling and Simulation
- EDUCATION
- ◇ **McGill University**, Montreal, Canada
    - ▷ Ph.D. in Computer Science Jun 2007 (expected) Advisor: Bettina Kemme  
Thesis: *Consistent Database Replication in Wide Area Networks (proposed)*
    - ▷ M.Sc. in Computer Science Sep. 2002 Advisor: Monty Newborn
  - ◇ **Concordia University**, Montreal, Canada
    - ▷ Diploma in Computer Science Aug. 2000
    - ▷ M.Sc. in Building Science Aug. 1999 Advisor: Fariborz Haghghat
  - ◇ **Tsinghua University**, Beijing, China
    - ▷ B.Eng. in Automotive Engineering July 1995
- AWARDS
- ◇ **McGill University**, Montreal, Canada
    - ▷ Ph.D. Fellowship Mar. 2004 - Dec. 2006
    - ▷ Graduate Studies Fellowship Sep. 2005 - Dec. 2005
    - ▷ Alma Mater Student Travel Grant Jul. 2005 - Oct. 2005
  - ◇ **Concordia University**, Montreal, Canada
    - ▷ Tuition Scholarship for International Students Sep. 1997 - Dec. 1998
- RESEARCH AND RELATED EXPERIENCE
- ◇ **Research Assistant**, Distributed Information Systems Lab, School of Computer Science, McGill University, 2003 - 2006, advisor: Bettina Kemme
    - ▷ Investigated database replication in wide area networks for the purpose of scalability, performance and fault tolerance while maintaining strong data consistency
    - ▷ Developed a middleware-based framework for database replication. It provides transparent failover to clients and works with different DBMSs.
    - ▷ Applied database replication to web services and multiplayer online games
    - ▷ Published four refereed papers, one submitted, one in preparation

- ◇ **Lab Coordinator**, Distributed Information Systems Lab, School of Computer Science, McGill University, 2004 - 2006, advisor: Bettina Kemme
  - ▷ Maintained the hardware and software
  - ▷ Administrated the lab
- ◇ **Researcher**, Department of Architecture, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Nov 2001 - Feb 2002, advisor: Qingyan Chen
  - ▷ Developed POMA Model, a numerical simulation model (simplified Computational Fluid Dynamics) for indoor airflow pattern and temperature distribution within a room.
  - ▷ Applied Newton-Raphson to the model, implemented the model in Fortran 90
- ◇ **Software Developer**, Ericsson Canada Inc. Montreal, Canada, Jan 2001 - Jun 2001
- ◇ **Research Assistant**, Indoor Air Modelling Lab, Department of Building Science, Concordia University, 1997 - 1999, advisor: Fariborz Haghighat
  - ▷ Conducted research about airflow modelling and simulation
  - ▷ Published two journal papers and one conference paper

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

- ◇ **Lecturer**, School of Computer Science, McGill University
  - ▷ **Comp208 Computer in Engineering**, Fall 2005, Fall 2006, Winter 2007  
Taught concepts and structures of high level programming, non-numerical algorithms such as sorting and searching, and numerical algoritms such as root finding, numerical integration, etc.
- ◇ **Guest Lecturer**, School of Computer Science, McGill University
  - ▷ **Comp421 Database Systems**, Winter 2004  
Taught the topics on transaction and database recovery
  - ▷ **Comp577 Distributed Database Systems**, Fall 2004  
Taught the topics on group communication systems and peer-to-peer systems
  - ▷ **Comp612 Distributed Data Management**, Winter 2006  
Taught the topics on web caching and database replication
  - ▷ **Comp764 Advanced Topics on Distributed Data Management**, Winter 2005  
Taught the topics on peer-to-peer Systems
- ◇ **Teaching Assistant**, School of Computer Science, McGill University
  - ▷ Assisted Prof. Kemme in comp421 Database Systems, comp577 Distributed Database Systems, and comp764 Advanced Topics on Distributed Data Management, McGill University, 2003 - 2005
  - ▷ Assisted Dr. Vybihal in comp202 Introduction to Computing and comp302 Programming Languages and Paradigms, McGill University, 2002 - 2003

MENTORING  
EXPERIENCES

- ◇ **Master Student Mentor**, Distributed Information Systems Lab, School of Computer Science, McGill University, 2004 - 2006,
  - ▷ Assisted Prof. Bettina Kemme in supervising three master students:
    - Xiaobo Zhan    Fault tolerant JDBC driver for middleware-based database replication    Sep 2004 - present
    - Chenliang Sun    Replication strategies for UDDI registries    Sep 2003 - May 2005
    - Yan Ding    Eager replication protocol for transactions with multiple operations    Sep 2004 - May 2005

- REFEREED PUBLICATIONS
- ◇ **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, M. Patiño-Martínez, and R. Jiménez-Peris, "Middle-ware based Data Replication providing Snapshot Isolation", *ACM Special Interest Group on Management Of Data (SIGMOD), Baltimore, USA, 2005*
  - ◇ **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, M. Patiño-Martínez, and R. Jiménez-Peris, "Applying Database Replication to Multi-player Online Games", *The 5th Workshop on Networks and Systems supports for Games (Netgames), Singapore, 2006*
  - ◇ **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, M. Patiño-Martínez, and R. Jiménez-Peris, "Consistent Data Replication: Is it feasible in WANs?" *Euro-Par'05, Lisbon, Portugal, 2005*
  - ◇ C. Sun, **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, "Comparison of UDDI Registry Replication Strategies." *IEEE International Conference on Web Services (ICWS'04), San Diego, California, 2004*
  - ◇ F. Haghghat, **Y. Lin**, A.C. Megri, "Development and validation of a zonal model – POMA", *Journal of Building and Environment, vol.36-9, 1039-1047, 2001*
  - ◇ G. Zhang, **Y. Lin**, and F. Haghghat, "Comparison of Methodologies for Room Airflow Simulation and Study on a Kind of Zonal Model", *Journal of Basic Science and Engineering (In Chinese), volume 8 No.3, p291-300, 2000*
  - ◇ **Y. Lin**, A.C. Megri and F. Haghghat, "Zonal Model, A New Generation of Combined Airflow and Thermal Model", *Proceeding of Indoor Air'99, Edinburgh, Scotland, 1999*
- PAPERS IN PREPARATION
- ◇ **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, M. Patiño-Martínez, and R. Jiménez-Peris, "Moving Data to the Edge: A New Approach to Delivering Dynamic Content in Edge Computing", *submitted to the 16th International World Wide Web Conference (WWW 2007), paper ID: 509*
  - ◇ **Y. Lin**, B. Kemme, M. Patiño-Martínez, and R. Jiménez-Peris, "Update Everywhere Database Replication with Snapshot Isolation and Data Integrity", *in preparation*
- TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS
- ◇ **One-Copy-Snapshot-Isolation for Database Replication in WANs**, *University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada, Dec 12, 2006*
  - ◇ **Consistency and Performance of Database Replication in WANs**, *University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, Dec 11, 2006*
  - ◇ **Applying Database Replication to Multi-player Online Games**, *Netgames'06, Singapore, Oct 30, 2006*
  - ◇ **Middle-ware based Data Replication providing Snapshot Isolation**, *SIGMOD'05, Baltimore, USA, July 30, 2005*
  - ◇ **Consistent Data Replication: Is it feasible in WANs?** *Euro-Par'05, Lisbon, Portugal, Sep 5, 2005*
  - ◇ **Database Replication with Group Communication in WANs**, *CanDB'04, Toronto, Canada, Oct 16, 2004*
- MISCELLOUS
- ◇ Citizenship: Canada
- REFERENCES
- ◇ Available upon request