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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Databases, Data systems, Storage systems, Distributed systems, Data streaming

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Jan 2024 - Present	<b>PhD Researcher</b> <a href="#">Brandeis University</a> , MA, United States
Mar 2022 - Aug 2022	<b>Software Engineer</b> , <i>Server Programming Team</i> <a href="#">Kwalee</a> , India
Jun 2021 - Mar 2022	<b>Engineer - Information Security</b> , <i>Cyber Fusion, Information Security</i> <a href="#">FIS Global</a> , India
Oct 2019 - Jun 2021	<b>Project Engineer</b> , <i>Python Cloud Computing, Wipro Digital</i> <a href="#">Wipro Limited</a> , India
Jul 2018 - Oct 2019	<b>Project Engineer</b> , <i>Big Data, Cyber Defense</i> <a href="#">Wipro Limited</a> , India
Mar 2017 - Apr 2017	<b>Full Stack Developer Intern</b> , <i>Backend Team</i> SoPo Internet Private Limited, India

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Fall 2024	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <i>Introduction to Computer Networking (COSI 128A)</i> <i>Michtom School of Computer Science</i> , Brandeis University, MA, United States
Spring 2024	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <i>Database Management Systems (COSI 127B)</i> <i>Michtom School of Computer Science</i> , Brandeis University, MA, United States
Fall 2023	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <i>Data Mechanics (DS 310)</i>
Spring 2023	<i>Center for Computing &amp; Data Sciences</i> , Boston University, MA, United States
Fall 2022	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <i>Computer Networks (CS 455)</i> <i>Department of Computer Science</i> , Boston University, MA, United States

## EDUCATION

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Jan 2024 - Present	<b>Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)</b> <a href="#">Brandeis University</a> , MA, United States Major: <b>Computer Science</b>
Sep 2022 - Dec 2023	<b>Masters of Science (M.S.)</b> <a href="#">Boston University</a> , MA, United States Major: <b>Computer Science</b> with specialization in "Data-Centric Computing" GPA: 3.88/4.0
Jul 2014 - Jun 2018	<b>Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.)</b> <a href="#">Maharshi Dayanand University</a> , Haryana, India Major: <b>Computer Science &amp; Engineering</b> Thesis: "Fault Modelling of an Object-Oriented System using Colored Petri Nets"

## PUBLICATIONS

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DBTest 2024	<b>Shubham Kaushik</b> , Subhadeep Sarkar <i>Anatomy of the LSM Memory Buffer: Insights &amp; Implications</i> , In Proceedings of the International Workshop on Testing Database Systems
JCSE 2019	<b>Shubham Kaushik</b> , Ratneshwer. <i>Fault Modeling of an Object-Oriented System using CPN</i> , International Journal of Computer Sciences and Engineering

## POSTERS

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NEDB Day 2024 | **Shubham Kaushik**, Manos Athanassoulis, Subhadeep Sarkar *RangeReduce: A Range Query Driven Compaction for LSM-Trees*, North East Database Day

## BACHELOR'S THESIS

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**Shubham Kaushik**. *Fault Modelling of an Object-Oriented System using Colored Petri Nets*, 2018.  
Advisor: **Dr. Ratneshwer**, School of Computer and Systems Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Programming Languages:** C, C++, Python, SQL, Rust (*learning*)
- **Markup Languages:** HTML, CSS, JSON, YAML,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Markdown
- **Databases:** RocksDB, Postgres, MongoDB, Redis, SQLite, ORM
- **Tools & Systems:** Kafka, Hadoop, gRPC, Microservices, Asyncio, Git, ETL, Flink, AWS

## PROJECTS

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- **Range Query-Aware Log-Structured Merge (LSM) Trees** (*Ongoing*): Developing data reorganization strategies and layouts to optimize the performance of range queries in LSM-based storage systems. [[readme](#)]
- **Multi Layered Detection Model (MLED) for Error Detection** (*Ongoing*): Creating a flexible system to reduce undetected errors in petabyte-scale file transfers through layered error-checking methods. [[readme](#)]
- **Benchmarking LSM-Based Storage Engines:** Analyzed performance of LSM trees with different memory buffers across various types of workloads, offering guidelines for optimal buffer selection. [[paper](#)]
- **Heterogeneity-Aware Operator Placement for Streaming Systems:** Proposed a dynamic method to place data processing operators based on data selectivity, improving efficiency and reducing network traffic. [[readme](#)]
- **Finding Vulnerabilities in VS Code Extensions:** Created a simulation framework to automate the installation and execution of VS Code extensions, identifying security vulnerabilities by analyzing open ports. [[readme](#)]

## CERTIFICATIONS

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- Jul 2023 | “The Ultimate Hands-On **Hadoop**: Tame your **Big Data**!” - Udemy [[link](#)]
- Jul 2023 | “Beginning **C++** programming from Beginner to Beyond” - Udemy [[link](#)]
- Oct 2018 | Statement of accomplishment for “**Python** Track” - DataCamp [[link](#)]

## CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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- Sep 2023 | Judged and mentored at [HackMIT 2023](#), aiding teams with technical challenges.
- Nov 2022 | Mentored 4 teams, with an average of 20 participants at [BostonHacks](#).
- Jan 2017 | Volunteered in the Program Event Management team at the *National Youth Festival*.