# Bhavana Mehta

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## **EDUCATION**

## University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D., Computer and Information Science Sept. 2019 - Present

Advisor: Dr. Boon Thau Loo

#### Nirma Institute of Technology, India

B. Tech., Electronics & Communication Engineering

July 2014 - May 2018

## **PUBLICATIONS**

## Adaptive Sharding in Untrusted Environments

**Bhavana Mehta**, Nupur Baghel, Mohammad Javad Amiri, Ryan Marcus, Boon Thau Loo Submitted to SIGMOD '26

#### Towards Full Stack Adaptivity in Permissioned Blockchains

Chenyuan Wu, Mohammad Javad Amiri, Haoyun Qin, **Bhavana Mehta**, Ryan Marcus, Boon Thau Loo

VLDB '24

#### Towards Adaptive Fault-Tolerant Sharded Databases

**Bhavana Mehta**, Neelesh CA, Prashanth Iyer, Mohammad Javad Amiri, Boon Thau Loo, Ryan Marcus

AIDB @ VLDB '23

#### AdaChain: A Learned Adaptive Blockchain

Chenyuan Wu, **Bhavana Mehta**, Mohammad Javad Amiri, Ryan Marcus, Boon Thau Loo $VLDB\ '23$ 

## WORK EXPERIENCE

# University of Pennsylvania

Research Assistant

Sept 2019 - Present

- Developed scalable, high-performance distributed databases with Byzantine fault tolerance and dynamic adaptation, improving system reliability.
- Designed machine learning-driven adaptive data management techniques optimizing distributed infrastructure at scale.
- Developed scalable blockchain consensus, fault-tolerant sharding architectures, and their applications in large-scale infrastructure.

## Bluespec Inc., Massachusetts

Design Engineer

Jan 2018 - June 2019

- Architected and optimized RISC-V cores, focusing on pipelining, hazards, and timing closure.
- Automated generation and deployment of 500+ RISC-V cores from high-level specifications till chip tape-out, reducing time-to-market.

### SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, SQL, Verilog, Bash Frameworks: scikit-learn, NumPy, Pandas, PyTorch

Infrastructure: Distributed Databases, Blockchain, Sharding, Consensus Hardware Design: RISC-V, RTL Design, SoC Integration, Docker, Git

Research Areas: ML for Systems, Byzantine Fault Tolerance, Adaptive Infrastructure