

# Dixin Tang

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## Research Areas

Adaptable System, Streaming computing, Transaction processing

## Education

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| 2015-present | PH.D. Candidate in Computer Science - The University of Chicago<br>Advisor: Aaron Elmore                     |
| 2011-2014    | M.S. in Computer Science - Institute of Computing Technology, Chinese Academy of Sciences<br>Advisor: Wei Li |
| 2007-2011    | B.S. in Software Engineering - Huazhong University of Science & Technology                                   |

## Honors & Awards

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| 2016 | University Unrestricted (UU) Fellowship - The University of Chicago |
| 2016 | CERES 1st year Graduate Research Award - The University of Chicago  |

## Research Projects

- **Adaptive Concurrency Control for Main-memory Database** Sep. 2015-Nov. 2017  
We build a main-memory database that supports adaptively mixing multiple forms of concurrency control with minimal overhead. Our system can decompose the workload into partitions and selects a concurrency control protocol for each partition of workload that the protocol is optimized for, and during workload changes adaptively reconfigure the protocols online.
- **Structured Data Shuffling for Big Data Analytical Stacks** Nov. 2013-Jan. 2015  
We build a structured data shuffling procedure that can leverage the semantics of SQL queries to apply efficient compression algorithms and discard unnecessary data during data shuffling.
- **A Fast and Space-efficient Join Method for Log Processing in MapReduce** Sep. 2012-Nov. 2013  
We design a join method that achieves high query performance with a small extra storage cost for log processing. It shuffles the log table to avoid huge storage consumption and optimizes the shuffle procedure to achieve high query performance.

## Publications

- **Dixin Tang**, Hao Jiang, Aaron J. Elmore:  
Adaptive Concurrency Control: Despite the Looking Glass, One Concurrency Control Does Not Fit All.  
CIDR 2017
- **Dixin Tang**, Taoying Liu, Rubao Lee, Hong Liu, Wei Li:  
A Case Study of Optimizing Big Data Analytical Stacks Using Structured Data Shuffling.  
BigData Congress 2016: 91-100
- Wenjuan Wang, Taoying Liu, **Dixin Tang**, Hong Liu, Wei Li, Rubao Lee:  
SparkArray: An Array-Based Scientific Data Management System Built on Apache Spark.  
NAS 2016: 1-10

- **Dixin Tang**, Taoying Liu, Rubao Lee, Hong Liu, Wei Li  
A Case Study of Optimizing Big Data Analytical Stacks Using Structured Data Shuffling.  
CLUSTER 2015: 70-73
- **Dixin Tang**, Taoying Liu, Hong Liu, Wei Li:  
RHJoin: A Fast and Space-efficient Join Method for Log Processing in MapReduce.  
ICPADS 2014: 975-980
- Liang Li, **Dixin Tang**, Taoying Liu, Hong Liu, Wei Li, Chenzhou Cui:  
Optimizing the Join Operation on Hive to Accelerate Cross-Matching in Astronomy.  
IPDPS Workshops 2014: 1735-1745

## Teaching Assistant

Fall 2015          MPCS 51040 - C programming  
Spring 2016      MPCS 52040 - Distributed Systems  
Winter 2017      CMSC 23500 - Introduction to Database

## Referees

**Name**      Aaron Elmore  
**Affiliate**   The University of Chicago  
**Position**   Assistant Professor  
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**Name**      Wei Li  
**Affiliate**   Institute of Computing Technology  
**Position**   Associate Professor  
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