

# Immanuel Trummer

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## Education

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| <b>École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)</b><br>PhD in Computer Science; Advisor: Christoph Koch.<br><i>EPFL Thesis Special Distinction.</i>     | 2010-2016 |
| <b>University of Stuttgart &amp; École Centrale de Nantes</b><br>Double Diploma in Computer Science and Engineering.<br><i>Graduated with Distinction.</i> | 2003-2010 |

## Academic Appointments

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| <b>Cornell University</b><br>Associate Professor, Cornell Bowers CIS.                                | 2024-Present |
| <b>Cornell University</b><br>Assistant Professor, Cornell Bowers CIS.                                | 2016-2024    |
| <b>École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)</b><br>Graduate Research Assistant, LIA/DATA Lab. | 2010-2016    |

## Publications

### Books

- Immanuel Trummer. [Data Analysis with LLMs: Text, Tables, Images and Sound](#). Manning Publications, 2025, pp. 1–232.

### Refereed Conference and Journal Publications<sup>1</sup>

- Immanuel Trummer. [Generating Highly Customizable Python Code for Data Processing with Large Language Models](#). In: *VLDBJ* 34.21 (2025), pp. 1–19.
- Victor Giannakouris and Immanuel Trummer. [λ-Tune: Harnessing Large Language Models for Automated Database System Tuning](#). In: *SIGMOD* 3.1 (2025), pp. 1–26.
- Saehan Jo and Immanuel Trummer. SpareLLM: Automatically Selecting Task-Specific Minimum-Cost Large Language Models under Equivalence Constraint. In: *SIGMOD* (2025).
- Immanuel Trummer. [Customizing Operator Implementations for SQL Processing via Large Language Models](#). In: *Data Engineering Bulletin* 49.1 (2025), pp. 45–56.
- Tharushi Jayasekara and Immanuel Trummer. Demonstrating CEDAR: A System for Cost-Efficient Data-Driven Claim Verification. In: *SIGMOD*. 2025, pp. 1–4.
- Jiale Lao and Immanuel Trummer. Demonstrating SQLBarber: Leveraging Large Language Models to Generate Customized and Realistic SQL Workloads. In: *SIGMOD*. 2025, pp. 1–4.
- Victor Giannakouris and Immanuel Trummer. SwellDB: Dynamic Query-Driven Table Generation with Large Language Models. In: *SIGMOD*. 2025, pp. 1–4.
- Immanuel Trummer. [DB-BERT: Making Database Tuning Tools “Read” the Manual](#). In: *VLDB Journal* 33 (2024), pp. 1085–1104.
- Saehan Jo and Immanuel Trummer. [ThalamusDB: Approximate Query Processing on Multi-Modal Data](#). In: *SIGMOD* 2.3 (2024), pp. 1–26.

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<sup>1</sup>PVLDB publications are presented yearly at the VLDB conference.

- Ziyun Wei and Immanuel Trummer. [ROME: Robust Query Optimization via Parallel Multi-Plan Execution](#). In: *SIGMOD* 2.3 (2024), pp. 1–25.
- Junxiong Wang, Kaiwen Wang, Yueying Li, Nathan Kallus, Immanuel Trummer, and Wen Sun. [JoinGym: An Efficient Join Order Selection Environment](#). In: *RLJ* 1 (2024), pp. 64–91.
- Victor Giannakouris and Immanuel Trummer. [DBG-PT: A Large Language Model Assisted Query Performance Regression Debugger](#). In: *PVLDB* 17.12 (2024), pp. 4337–4340.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Generating Succinct Descriptions of Database Schemata for Cost-Efficient Prompting of Large Language Models](#). In: *PVLDB* 17.11 (2024), pp. 3511–3523.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Large Language Models: Principles and Practice](#). In: *ICDE*. 2024, pp. 5354–5357.
- Victor Giannakouris and Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstrating  \$\lambda\$ -Tune: Exploiting Large Language Models for Workload-Adaptive Database System Tuning](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2024, pp. 508–511.
- Junxiong Wang, Immanuel Trummer, Ahmet Kara, and Dan Olteanu. [ADOPT: Adaptively Optimizing Attribute Orders for Worst-Case Optimal Join Algorithms via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *PVLDB* 16.11 (2023), pp. 2805–2817.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstrating GPT-DB: Generating Query-Specific and Customizable Code for SQL Processing with GPT-4](#). In: *PVLDB* 16.12 (2023), pp. 4098–4101.
- Junxiong Wang, Immanuel Trummer, Ahmet Kara, and Dan Olteanu. [Demonstrating ADOPT: Adaptively Optimizing Attribute Orders for Worst-Case Optimal Joins via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *PVLDB* 16.12 (2023), pp. 4094–4097.
- Simran Arora, Brandon Yang, Sabri Eyuboglu, Avanika Narayan, Andrew Hojel, Immanuel Trummer, and Christopher Re. [Language Models Enable Simple Systems for Generating Structured Views of Heterogeneous Data Lakes](#). In: *PVLDB* 17.2 (2023), pp. 92–105.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Can Large Language Models Predict Data Correlations from Column Names?](#) In: *PVLDB* 16.13 (2023), pp. 4310–4323.
- Manuel Schoenberger, Immanuel Trummer, and Wolfgang Mauerer. [Quantum-Inspired Digital Annealing for Join Ordering](#). In: *PVLDB* 17.3 (2023), pp. 511–524.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstrating NaturalMiner: Searching Large Data Sets for Abstract Patterns Described in Natural Language](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2023, pp. 139–142.
- Immanuel Trummer. [BABOONS: Black-Box Optimization of Data Summaries in Natural Language](#). In: *PVLDB* 15.11 (2022), pp. 2980–2993.
- Ziyun Wei and Immanuel Trummer. [SkinnerMT: Parallelizing for Efficiency and Robustness in Adaptive Query Processing on Multicore Platforms](#). In: *PVLDB* 16.4 (2022), pp. 905–917.
- Immanuel Trummer. [CodexDB: Synthesizing Code for Query Processing from Natural Language Instructions using GPT-3 Codex](#). In: *PVLDB* 15.11 (2022), pp. 2921–2928.
- Immanuel Trummer. [From BERT to GPT-3 Codex: Harnessing the Potential of Very Large Language Models for Data Management](#). In: *PVLDB* 15.12 (2022), pp. 3770–3773.
- Junxiong Wang, Debabrota Basu, and Immanuel Trummer. [Procrastinated Tree Search: Black-box Optimization with Delayed, Noisy, and Multi-fidelity Feedback](#). In: *AAAI* 36.9 (2022), pp. 10381–10390.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Towards NLP-Enhanced Data Profiling Tools](#). In: *CIDR*. 2022, pp. 1–1.
- Immanuel Trummer. [DB-BERT: a Database Tuning Tool that “Reads the Manual”](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2022, pp. 190–203.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstrating DB-BERT: A Database Tuning Tool that “Reads” the Manual](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2022, pp. 2437–2440.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Database Tuning using Natural Language Processing](#). In: *SIGMOD Record* 50.3 (2021), pp. 27–28.
- Junxiong Wang, Immanuel Trummer, and Debabrota Basu. [UDO: Universal Database Optimization using Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *PVLDB* 14.13 (2021), pp. 3402–3414.
- Ziyun Wei, Immanuel Trummer, and Connor Anderson. [Robust Voice Querying with MUVE: Optimally Visualizing Results of Phonetically Similar Queries](#). In: *PVLDB* 14.11 (2021), pp. 2397–2409.
- Immanuel Trummer. [The Case for NLP-Enhanced Database Tuning: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read the Manual”](#). In: *PVLDB* 14.7 (2021), pp. 1159–1165.
- Immanuel Trummer. [WebChecker: Towards an Infrastructure for Efficient Misinformation Detection at Web Scale](#). In: *IEEE Data Eng. Bull.* 44.3 (2021), pp. 66–77.

- Immanuel Trummer, Junxiong Wang, Ziyun Wei, Deepak Maram, Samuel Moseley, Saehan Jo, Joseph Antonakakis, and Ankush Rayabhari. [SkinnerDB: Regret-bounded Query Evaluation via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *ACM Transactions on Database Systems* 46.3 (2021), pp. 1–45.
- Immanuel Trummer and Anderson Connor. [Optimally Summarizing Data by Small Fact Sets for Concise Answers to Voice Queries](#). In: *ICDE*. 2021, pp. 1715–1726.
- Junxiong Wang, Immanuel Trummer, and Debabrota Basu. [Demonstrating UDO: A Unified Approach for Optimizing Transaction Code, Physical Design, and System Parameters via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2021, pp. 2794–2797.
- Ziyun Wei, Immanuel Trummer, and Anderson Connor. [Demonstrating Robust Voice Querying with MUVE: Optimally Visualizing Results of Phonetically Similar Queries](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2021, pp. 2798–2802.
- Georgios Karagiannis, Mohammed Saeed, Paolo Papotti, and Immanuel Trummer. [Scrutinizer: Fact Checking Statistical Claims](#). In: *PVLDB* 13.12 (2020), pp. 2965–2968.
- Georgios Karagiannis, Immanuel Trummer, Saehan Jo, Shubham Khandelwal, Xuezhi Wang, and Cong Yu. [Mining an “Anti-Knowledge Base” from Wikipedia Updates with Applications to Fact Checking and Beyond](#). In: *PVLDB* 13.4 (2020), pp. 561–573.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstrating the Voice-Based Exploration of Large Data Sets with CiceroDB-Zero](#). In: *PVLDB* 13.12 (2020), pp. 2869–2872.
- Georgios Karagiannis, Mohammed Saeed, Paolo Papotti, and Immanuel Trummer. [Scrutinizer: A Mixed-Initiative Approach to Large-Scale, Data-Driven Claim Verification](#). In: *PVLDB* 13.12 (2020), pp. 2508–2521.
- Saehan Jo, Jialing Pei, and Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstration of ScroogeDB: Getting More Bang for the Buck with Deterministic Approximation in the Cloud](#). In: *PVLDB* 13.12 (2020), pp. 2961–2964.
- Georgios Karagiannis, Mohammed Saeed, Paolo Papotti, and Immanuel Trummer. [Scrutinizer: a System for Checking Statistical Claims](#). In: *BDA*. 2020, pp. 72–73.
- Saehan Jo and Immanuel Trummer. [BitGourmet: Deterministic Approximation via Optimized Bit Selections](#). In: *CIDR*. 2020, pp. 1–7.
- Saehan Jo and Immanuel Trummer. [Demonstration of BitGourmet: Data Analysis via Deterministic Approximation](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2020, pp. 2801–2804.
- Saehan Jo, Immanuel Trummer, Weicheng Yu, Xuezhi Wang, Cong Yu, Daniel Liu, and Niyati Mehta. [AggChecker: a Fact-Checking System for Text Summaries of Relational Data Sets](#). In: *PVLDB* 12.12 (2019), pp. 1938–1941.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Data Vocalization with CiceroDB](#). In: *CIDR*. 2019, pp. 1–8.
- Saehan Jo, Immanuel Trummer, Weicheng Yu, Xuezhi Wang, Cong Yu, Daniel Liu, and Niyati Mehta. [Verifying Text Summaries of Relational Data Sets](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2019, pp. 299–316.
- Immanuel Trummer, Yicheng Wang, and Saketh Mahankali. [A Holistic Approach for Query Evaluation and Result Vocalization in Voice-Based OLAP](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2019, pp. 936–953.
- Immanuel Trummer, Junxiong Wang, Deepak Maram, Samuel Moseley, Saehan Jo, and Joseph Antonakakis. [SkinnerDB: Regret-Bounded Query Evaluation via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2019, pp. 1039–1050.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Exact Cardinality Query Optimization with Bounded Execution Cost](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2019, pp. 2–17.
- Immanuel Trummer, Samuel J Mosley, Joseph Antonakakis, and Saehan Jo. [SkinnerDB: Regret-Bounded Query Evaluation via Reinforcement Learning](#). In: *PVLDB* 11.12 (2018), pp. 2074–2077.
- Immanuel Trummer, Mark Bryan, and Ramya Narasimha. [Vocalizing Large Time Series Efficiently](#). In: *PVLDB* 11.11 (2018), pp. 1563–1575.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Multi-Objective Parametric Query Optimization](#). In: *VLDB Journal* 26.1 (2017), pp. 107–124.
- Immanuel Trummer, Jiancheng Zhu, and Mark Bryan. [Data Vocalization: Optimizing Voice Output of Relational Data](#). In: *PVLDB* 10.11 (2017), pp. 1574–1585.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Multi-Objective Parametric Query Optimization](#). In: *Communications of the ACM* 60.10 (2017), pp. 81–89.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Solving the Join Ordering Problem via Mixed Integer Linear Programming](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2017, pp. 1025–1040.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Parallelizing Query Optimization on Shared-Nothing Architectures](#). In: *PVLDB* 9.9 (2016), pp. 660–671.

- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Multiple Query Optimization on the D-Wave 2X Adiabatic Quantum Computer](#). In: *PVLDB* 9.9 (2016), pp. 648–659.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Multi-Objective Parametric Query Optimization](#). In: *ACM SIGMOD Research Highlights* 45.1 (2016), pp. 24–31.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [A Fast Randomized Algorithm for Multi-Objective Query Optimization](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2016, pp. 1737–1752.
- Immanuel Trummer, Alon Halevy, Hongrae Lee, Sunita Sarawagi, and Rahul Gupta. [Mining Subjective Properties on the Web](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2015, pp. 1745–1760.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [An Incremental Anytime Algorithm for Multi-Objective Query Optimization](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2015, pp. 1941–1953.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Multi-Objective Parametric Query Optimization](#). In: *PVLDB* 8.3 (2014), pp. 221–232.
- Immanuel Trummer and Christoph Koch. [Approximation Schemes for Many-Objective Query Optimization](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2014, pp. 1299–1310.
- Immanuel Trummer, Boi Faltings, and Walter Binder. [Multi-Objective Quality-Driven Service Selection - A Fully Polynomial Time Approximation Scheme](#). In: *IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering* 40.2 (2013), pp. 167–191.
- Mehdi Riahi, Thanasis Papaioannou, Immanuel Trummer, and Karl Aberer. [Utility-Driven Data Acquisition in Participatory Sensing](#). In: *EDBT*. 2013, pp. 251–262.
- Immanuel Trummer and Boi Faltings. [Dynamically Selecting Composition Algorithms for Economical Composition as a Service](#). In: *ICSOC*. 2011, pp. 513–522.
- Immanuel Trummer and Boi Faltings. [Optimizing the Tradeoff between Discovery, Composition, and Execution Costs in Service Composition](#). In: *ICWS*. 2011, pp. 476–483.
- Walter Binder, Daniele Bonetta, Cesare Pautasso, Achille Peternier, Diego Milano, Heiko Schuldt, Nenad Stojnic, Boi Faltings, and Immanuel Trummer. [Towards Self-Organizing Service-Oriented Architectures](#). In: *IEEE World Congress on Services*. 2011, pp. 115–121.
- Immanuel Trummer, Frank Leymann, Ralph Mietzner, and Walter Binder. [Cost-Optimal Outsourcing of Applications into the Clouds](#). In: *CloudCom*. 2010, pp. 135–142.

## Refereed Workshop Publications

- Immanuel Trummer and Davide Venturelli. [Leveraging Quantum Computing for Database Index Selection](#). In: *Q-Data*. 2024, pp. 14–26.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Towards Out-of-Core Simulators for Quantum Computing](#). In: *Q-Data*. 2024, pp. 1–1.
- Ibrahim Sabek, Immanuel Trummer, and Stefan Prestel. [First Workshop on Quantum Computing and Quantum-Inspired Technology for Data-Intensive Systems and Applications \(Q-Data\)](#). In: *SIGMOD*. 2024, pp. 663–664.
- Manuel Schoenberger, Immanuel Trummer, and Wolfgang Mauerer. [Quantum Optimisation of General Join Trees](#). In: *QDSM*. 2023, pp. 1–12.
- Victor Giannakouris and Immanuel Trummer. [Building Learned Federated Query Optimizers](#). In: *VLDB PhD Workshop*. 2022, pp. 1–5.

## Patents

- Immanuel Trummer. [Verifying Text Summaries of Relational Data Sets \(US Patent Number 11113275\)](#). 2021.
- Davide Venturelli and Immanuel Trummer. [System and Method to Hardcode Integer Linear Optimization Problems on Physical Implementations of the Ising Model \(US Patent Number 10691771\)](#). 2020.

## Theses

- Immanuel Trummer. [From Massive Parallelization to Quantum Computing: Seven Novel Approaches to Query Optimization](#). PhD thesis. EPFL, 2016, pp. 1–253.
- Immanuel Trummer. [Cost-Optimal Provisioning of Cloud Applications](#). Diploma Thesis. University of Stuttgart, 2010, pp. 1–98.

## Awards and Honors

- Best of VLDB Paper, 2024.
- SIGMOD Best Demo Runner Up Award, 2023.
- NSF CAREER Award, 2022.
- BDA Best Demo Award, 2020.
- Best of SIGMOD Paper (TODS), 2019.
- Google Faculty Research Award, 2018.
- Jim Gray Award, Honorable Mention, 2017.
- EPFL PhD Thesis Special Distinction, 2017.
- Google Faculty Research Award, 2016.
- ACM SIGMOD Research Highlight, 2015.
- Best of VLDB Paper, 2015.
- Google PhD Fellowship, 2015.
- EPFL Teaching Assistant Award, 2015.
- First Graduation Prize, 2010.
- German National Academic Foundation, 2008.
- Scholarship for Academic Excellence, 2007.
- Scholarship for TIME Double Degree, 2005.

## Funded Proposals

### Internal

- CIDA RIF Seed Grant: “Co-Creating a Human-Machine Interface Better Adapted for On-Farm Data Recording, Curation, Management, and Use” (2021-2023). PI: Louis Longchamp. Co-PIs: Wendy Ju, Immanuel Trummer, Diane Bailey, Mike Stanyard, Erik Smith, Michael Hunter. Total Amount: \$150,000.
- Huawei Research Initiative: “Deterministic Approximation via BitGourmet” (2019). PI: Immanuel Trummer. Total Amount: \$116,831.

### External

- [NSF 2239326](#): “[CAREER: Mining Hints from Text Documents to Guide Automated Database Performance Tuning](#)” (2023-2028). PI: Immanuel Trummer. Total Amount: \$594,874.
- [NSF 1910830](#): “[III: Small: Regret-Bounded Query Evaluation via Reinforcement Learning](#)” (2019-2022). PI: Immanuel Trummer. Total Amount: \$499,999.
- Google AI-Powered Immediate Response to Pandemics Initiative: “Data-driven Automatic Fact Checking of Coronavirus Claims” (2020). PIs: Immanuel Trummer, Paolo Papotti (Co-PI). Total Amount: \$120,000.
- Fact-Checking Development Grant (IFCN & YouTube): “Automatic Fact-Checking of Coronavirus Claims” (2020). PIs: Paolo Papotti, Immanuel Trummer (Co-PI). Total Amount: \$49,800.
- [Google Faculty Research Award](#): “[Mining an 'Anti-Knowledge Base' for Fact Checking from Wikipedia Updates](#)” (2018). PI: Immanuel Trummer. Total Amount: \$65,235.
- [Google Faculty Research Award](#): “[Optimizing Voice-Based Output of Relational Data](#)” (2016). PI: Immanuel Trummer. Total Amount: \$57,407.

## Talks

### Tutorials

- 5/14/24: [Tutorial on Large Language Models: Principles and Practice](#) (90 Minutes), ICDE 2024.

- 3/8/23: [From BERT to GPT-3 Codex: Harnessing the Potential of Very Large Language Models for Data Management](#) (180 Minutes), BTW 2023.
- 9/8/22: [From BERT to GPT-3 Codex: Harnessing the Potential of Very Large Language Models for Data Management](#) (90 Minutes), VLDB 2022.

## Panels

- 6/14/2024: Foundation Models for and in Databases, SIGMOD 2024 Workshop on Exploiting Artificial Intelligence Techniques for Data Management.
- 5/13/2024: [Knowledge Graphs and LLMs: A Relationship under Investigation](#), ICDE 2024 Workshop on Search, Exploration, and Analysis in Heterogeneous Datastores Graph Edition.
- 6/18/23: [Data Management Challenges in LLM-Powered Solutions](#), SIGMOD 2023 Workshop on Data Management for End-to-End Machine Learning.
- 4/11/22: [Futuristic Data Interfaces - Voice Interfaces for Data Access](#), Conference on Database Systems for Advanced Applications 2022.
- 10/3/19: [Anticipating Societal Impact](#), Cornell CIS Celebration 2019.

## Invited Talks

- 3/4/2025: [CheaPT: Using Language Models Without Breaking the Bank](#), Invited talk at ML4Sys and Sys4ML.
- 11/12/2024: [Novel Applications for Large Language Models in Data Management](#), **Keynote** at KBC-LM.
- 6/14/2024: [Novel Applications for Large Language Models in Data Management](#), **Keynote** at aiDM.
- 5/23/24: [Novel Applications for Large Language Models in Data Management](#), **Keynote** at NEDB.
- 4/4/24: Novel Use Cases for Large Language Models in Data Management, UIUC (Virtual).
- 12/15/23: [Next-Generation Data Management with Large Language Models](#), Invited talk at TRL.
- 9/1/23: [Applications for Large Language Models in Data Management](#), **Keynote** at AIDB.
- 9/1/23: [Playing Dice with the Universe: a Brief History of Quantum Computing and Potential Use Cases in Data Management](#), **Keynote** at QDSM.
- 7/14/23: Novel Use Cases for Large Language Models in Data Management, TUM.
- 7/13/23: Novel Use Cases for Large Language Models in Data Management, MPI.
- 7/11/23: Towards Highly Customizable Database Systems via Generative AI, University of Stuttgart.
- 7/7/23: Novel Use Cases for Large Language Models in Data Management, TU Berlin.
- 7/5/23: [Next-Generation Data Management via Large Language Models](#), **Keynote** at ScaDS.AI.
- 4/18/23: Towards Highly Customizable Database Systems via Generative AI, Boston University.
- 4/19/23: [Towards Highly Customizable Database Systems via Generative AI](#), MIT.
- 4/18/23: Towards Highly Customizable Database Systems via Generative AI, Harvard.
- 4/7/23: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual, University of Buffalo.
- 4/3/23: [Towards AI-Generated Database Management Systems](#), **Keynote** at DBML.
- 3/7/23: Towards AI-Generated Database Management Systems, BTW 2023 Tutorial Workshop on ML for Systems and Systems for ML.
- 2/25/23: Leveraging Generative AI for Data Processing, CWI (Virtual).
- 12/14/22: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual, TU Darmstadt (Virtual).
- 12/1/22: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual, NYU.
- 11/3/22: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual, OSU (Virtual).
- 8/15/22: Novel Applications for Language Models in Data Management, Stanford DB Group.
- 8/3/22: Intra-Query Learning for Worst-Case Optimal Join Algorithms, FDB Workshop (Virtual).
- 3/11/22: Mining Hints for Database Performance Tuning from the Web, Aarhus University (Virtual).
- 7/21/22: Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual, RelationalAI (Virtual).
- 11/17/21: [Towards Tuning Tools that “Read” the Manual](#), UC Berkeley (Virtual).
- 2/24/21: SkinnerDB and the Case for Intra-Query Learning, UCSD (Virtual).
- 8/27/20: [SkinnerDB and the Case for Intra-Query Learning](#), Snowflake (Virtual).



- 8/20/20: SkinnerDB and the Case for Intra-Query Learning, Google (Virtual).
- 8/11/20: SkinnerDB and the Case for Intra-Query Learning, Oracle (Virtual).
- 7/31/20: SkinnerDB and the Case for Intra-Query Learning, MSR (Virtual).
- 6/30/20: [Recent Advances in Automated Fact-Checking](#), Global Fact 7 (Virtual).
- 3/5/20: SkinnerDB: the Case for Intra-Query Learning, German Research Foundation, Special Interest Group on Databases.
- 3/3/20: [Exploring Data Using Your Voice](#), NYC Open Data Week.
- 10/14/16: Query Optimization for Data Analysis, UW.
- 4/14/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, UIUC.
- 3/30/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, UCSD.
- 3/22/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, Rice University.
- 3/14/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, ETH Zürich.
- 3/8/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, Cornell.
- 3/3/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, UMD.
- 2/25/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, University of Edinburgh.
- 2/22/16: Query Optimization for Data Science, University of Chicago.

## Teaching

### At Cornell

- Fall'24: Co-taught Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 417 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'24: Co-taught Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 49 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'24: Co-taught Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 19 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'24: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 33 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'24: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 6 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'23: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 368 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'23: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 25 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'23: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 7 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'23: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 24 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'23: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 14 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'22: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 346 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'22: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 51 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'22: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 11 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'22: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 5 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'21: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 258 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'21: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390): 3 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'21: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 13 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'20: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 279 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'20: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 33 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'20: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 7 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'20: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 11 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'19: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 276 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'19: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 32 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'19: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 6 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'19: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 14 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'18: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 266 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'18: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 49 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'18: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 6 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'18: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 10 Students Enrolled.

- Fall'17: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 184 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'17: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 26 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'17: Seminar in Database Systems (CS 7390). 5 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'17: Introduction to Database Systems (CS 4320, 5320). 168 Students Enrolled.
- Spring'17: Practicum in Database Systems (CS 4321, 5321). 26 Students Enrolled.
- Fall'16: Advanced Database Systems (CS 6320). 5 Students Enrolled.

## External

- [Introduction to Database Systems](#). Online lecture introducing students to topics in database systems with a total duration of 25 hours. The lecture received over **one million** views.
- [The Cornell, Maryland, Max Planck Pre-doctoral Research School 2020](#). I gave a virtual lecture on “Learning to Process Data Faster via Reinforcement Learning”.

## Mentoring

### Current PhD Students

- Jiale Lao (2024-Present).
- Tharushi Jayasekara (2024-Present).
- Victor Giannakouris (2021-Present). Passed A-exam on 12/6/24.

### Graduated PhD Students

- Junxiong Wang (2019-2024). First position: Together AI.
- Saehan Jo (2018-2025). First position: Amazon.
- Ziyun Wei (2018-2024). First position: ByteDance.

### Awards by Mentored Students

- [CRA Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award 2018, Honorable Mention](#). Mark Bryan.
- NSF VLDB 2018 Travel Grant. Samuel Moseley.
- [JP Morgan Award 2018](#). Mark Bryan, Ramya Narasimha.
- [Lockheed Martin Award 2017](#). Mark Bryan, Jiancheng Zhu.

### Master of Science Theses

- Ankush Rayabhari. “Adaptive Join Execution in Compilation-Based Execution Engines of Databases”. 2022.

### Student Organizations

- [Cornell Data Engineering Team](#), Cornell Data Science (2018-Present).

### Master of Engineering Projects

- Ashutosh Agarwal (Spring 2017).
- Niveditha Shenoy Badiadka (Spring 2018).
- Janice Chan (Spring 2020).
- Elva Gao (Fall 2022).
- Shubham Khandelwal (Spring 2019).
- Haram Kim (Fall 2019).
- Daniel Liu (Spring 2017).
- Rahul Madanahalli (Spring 2018).
- Jenny Mallette (Fall 2016).



- Niyati Mehta (Spring 2017).
- Samuel Moseley (Fall 2018).
- Ramya Narasimha (Fall 2017).
- Maarij Tahir (Fall 2016).
- Rong Tan (Spring 2020).
- Sanjana Thirumalai (Fall 2016).
- Zhaoyu Wang (Spring 2023).
- Weicheng Yu (Fall 2016).
- Jiancheng Zhu (Fall 2016).

## Service

### Internal

- Reviewer for Cisco Strategic Initiative (2023).
- Reviewer for CIDA Research Innovation Fund (2022).
- PhD Admissions Committee (2016, 2017, 2020, 2021, 2022).
- Recruitment Committee, Ad-Hoc or Full Member (2016-Present).

### External

- Co-Founder and Co-Chair of Q-DATA Workshop (2024, 2025).
- Associate Editor for SIGMOD (2024).
- Co-Chair of VLDB Demo Track (2022).
- Associate Editor of SIGMOD Record (2019-Present).
- Associate Editor of VLDB (2026).
- Reviewer for IEEE TKDE (2022).
- Panelist for the National Science Foundation (2021, 2023).
- Jim Gray Dissertation Award Committee (2021).
- Reviewer for ACM TODS (2020).
- PC Member for VLDB (2018-Present).
- PC Member for SIGMOD (2018, 2019, 2020, 2026).
- PC Member for SoCC (2017).
- Juror for SIGMOD Undergrad Competition (2016).