

# Prashant Pandey

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>Northeastern University</b> , Boston, MA <i>Assistant Professor</i>	January 2025 - Present
<b>University of Utah</b> , Salt Lake City, UT <i>Assistant Professor</i>	August 2022 - December 2024
<b>VMware Research</b> , Palo Alto, CA <i>Research Scientist</i>	August 2021 - July 2022

## EDUCATION

<b>UC Berkeley/Berkeley Lab</b> , Berkeley, CA <i>Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Computational Research Division</i> <i>Advisors: Prof. Kathy Yelick &amp; Prof. Aydin Buluc</i>	December 2019 - July 2021
<b>Carnegie Mellon University</b> , Pittsburgh, PA <i>Postdoctoral Associate, School of Computer Science</i> <i>Advisor: Prof. Carl Kingsford</i>	December 2018 - November 2019
<b>Stony Brook University</b> , Stony Brook, NY <i>Ph.D. Computer Science</i> <i>Advisors: Prof. Michael Bender &amp; Prof. Rob Johnson</i>	August 2013 - December 2018
<b>University of Pune</b> , Pune, India <i>Bachelor of Engineering (BE), Information Technology</i>	August 2007 - June 2011

## INTERNSHIPS

<b>Google</b> , Manhattan, NY <i>Research Intern, Google Spanner</i>	May 2017 - August 2017
<b>Google</b> , Kirkland, WA <i>Research Intern, Google Cloud Infrastructure</i>	May 2016 - August 2016
<b>Intel Labs</b> , Portland, OR <i>Research Intern, Security and Privacy Lab</i>	May 2015 - August 2015
<b>Intel Labs</b> , Portland, OR <i>Research Intern, Security and Privacy Lab</i>	May 2014 - August 2014

## AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- **IEEE CS TCHPC Early Career Researchers Award for Excellence in High Performance Computing [SC 2023]** 2023
- **Catacosinos Fellowship** for the most impactful research at SBU 2018
- **Best Paper Award FAST 2016** 2016
- **Runner's Up to Best Paper FAST 2015** 2015
- **A Special CS Department Chair Fellowship**, Stony Brook University 2013
- **University Rank Holder**, University of Pune 2011  
Ranked 1st in my college and 7<sup>th</sup> across the University (~ 2000 students)
- **Academic Excellence Scholarship**, University of Pune. 2009, 2010, 2011
- **Travel Fellowships**  
FAST 2015, FAST 2016, SIGMOD 2017, ISMB 2017, AlgoPARC 2017, RECOMB 2018, ESA 2018, Dagstuhl 2019

## FUNDING

<b>One Utah Data Science Hub Seed Award</b> Scalable and Information-Rich Sequence Search over SRA for Advanced Biological Analyses Utah portion: \$50,000	March 2024
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**NSF: CAREER: Practical Adaptive Filters and Applications**  
Utah portion: \$607,746

June 2024

**DOE: Exascale Computing Project: High Performance GPU Filters**  
Role: Utah PI (Joint with UC Berkeley/Lawrence Berkeley National Lab)  
Utah portion: \$250,000

October 2022

#### CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

**Adaptive Quotient Filters** *SIGMOD 2025*  
Richard Wen, Hunter McCoy, David Tench, Guido Tagliavini, Michael A. Bender, Alex Conway, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, **Prashant Pandey**

**BYO: A Unified Framework for Benchmarking Large-Scale Graph Containers** *VLDB 2024*  
Brian Wheatman, Xiaojun Dong, Zheqi Shen, Laxman Dhulipala, Jakub Łącki, **Prashant Pandey**, Helen Xu

**Beyond Bloom: A Tutorial on Future Feature-Rich Filters** *SIGMOD 2024*  
**Prashant Pandey**, Martin Farach-Colton, Niv Dayan, Huanchen Zhang

**IONIA: Efficient Replication for SSD-based Write-Optimized KV Stores** *FAST 2024*  
Yi Xu, Henry Zhu, **Prashant Pandey**, Alex Conway, Rob Johnson, Ramnatthan Alagappan, Aishwarya Ganesan

**Gallatin: A vEB Tree-Based GPU Memory Manager** *PPOPP 2024*  
Hunter McCoy, **Prashant Pandey**

**BP-tree: Overcoming the Point-Range Operation Tradeoff for In-Memory B-trees** *VLDB 2023*  
Helen Xu, Amanda Li, Brian Wheatman, Manoj Marneni, **Prashant Pandey**

**IcebergHT: High Performance Hash Tables Through Stability and Low Associativity** *SIGMOD 2023*  
**Prashant Pandey**, Michael Bender, Alex Conway, Martin Farach-Colton, William Kuszmaul, Guido Tagliavini, Rob Johnson

**High-Performance Filters for GPUs** *PPOPP 2023*  
Hunter McCoy, Steven Hofmeyr, Katherine Yelick, **Prashant Pandey**

**Communication Optimization for Distributed Execution of Graph Neural Networks** *IPDPS 2023*  
Süreyya Emre Kurt, Jinghua Yan, Aravind Sukumaran-Rajam, **Prashant Pandey**, P. Sadayappan

**Singleton Sieving: Overcoming the Memory/Speed Trade-Off in Exascale  $k$ -mer Analysis** *ACDA 2023*  
Hunter McCoy, Steven Hofmeyr, Katherine Yelick, **Prashant Pandey**

**Distance and Time Sensitive Filters for Similarity Search in Trajectory Datasets** *APOCS 2023*  
Madhav Narayan Bhat, Paul Cesaretti, Mayank Goswami, **Prashant Pandey**

**Terrace: A Hierarchical Graph Container for Skewed Dynamic Graphs** *SIGMOD 2021*  
**Prashant Pandey**, Brian Wheatman, Helen Xu, Aydin Buluc

**Vector Quotient Filters: Overcoming the Time/Space Trade-Off in Filter Design** *SIGMOD 2021*  
**Prashant Pandey**, Alex Conway, Joe Durie, Michael Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson

**Distributed-Memory  $k$ -mer Counting on GPUs** *IPDPS 2021*  
Israt Nisa, **Prashant Pandey**, Marquita Ellis, Leonid Olikier, Aydin Buluc, Katherine Yelick

**Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory** *SIGMOD 2020*  
**Prashant Pandey**, Shikha Singh, Michael A. Bender, Jonathan W. Berry, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Thomas M. Kroege, Cynthia A. Phillips

**An Efficient, Scalable, and Exact Representation of High-Dimensional Color Information Enabled Using de Bruijn Graph Search** *RECOMB 2019*  
Fateme Almodaresi, **Prashant Pandey**, Michael Ferdman, Rob Johnson, Rob Patro

## Locality Sensitive Hashing for the Edit Distance

ISMB 2019

Guillaume Marçais, Dan DeBlasio, **Prashant Pandey**, and Carl Kingsford

## \*Small Refinements to the DAM Can Have Big Consequences for Data-Structure Design

SPAA 2019

Michael A. Bender, Alex Conway, Martin Farach-Colton, William Jannen, Yizheng Jiao, Rob Johnson, Eric Knorr, Sara McAllister, Nirjhar Mukherjee, **Prashant Pandey**, Donald E. Porter, Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan

## \*Buffered Count-Min Sketch on SSD: Theory and Experiments

ESA 2018

Mayank Goswami, Dzejla Medjedovic, Emina Mekic, **Prashant Pandey**

## Mantis: A Fast, Small, and Exact Large-Scale Sequence-Search Index

RECOMB 2018

**Prashant Pandey**, Fatemeh Almodaresi, Michael A. Bender, Michael Ferdman, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro

## deBGR: An Efficient and Near-Exact Representation of the Weighted de Bruijn Graph

ISMB 2017

**Prashant Pandey**, Michael A. Bender, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro

## Rainbowfish: A Succinct Colored de Bruijn Graph Representation

WABI 2017

Fatemeh Almodaresi, **Prashant Pandey**, and Rob Patro

## A General-Purpose Counting Filter: Making Every Bit Count

SIGMOD 2017

**Prashant Pandey**, Michael A. Bender, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro [Finalist: Most Reproducible Paper]

## Optimizing Every Operation in a Write-Optimized File System

FAST 2016

Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan, William Jannen, **Prashant Pandey**, Amogh Akshintala, Kanchan Chandnani, Pooja Deo, Zardosht Kasheff, Michael Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Bradley C. Kuszmaul, and Donald E. Porter [Best Paper Award]

## BetrFS: A Right-Optimized Write-Optimized File System

FAST 2015

William Jannen, Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan, Amogh Akshintala, John Esmet, Yizheng Jiao, Ankur Mittal, **Prashant Pandey**, Phaneendra Reddy, Leif Walsh, Michael A. Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Bradley C. Kuszmaul, and Donald E. Porter [Runner up to Best Paper]

Underlined - Utah student advisee.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

### Using Advanced Data Structures to Enable Responsive Security Monitoring

Cluster Computing 2022

Janet Vorobyeva, Daniel R. Delayo, Michael A. Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, **Prashant Pandey**, Cynthia A. Phillips, Shikha Singh, Eric D. Thomas, Thomas M. Kroeger

### An Incrementally-Updatable and Scalable System for Large-Scale Sequence Search using LSM-Trees

BIOINFORMATICS 2022

Fatemeh Almodaresi, Jamshed Khan, Sergey Madaminov, Michael Ferdman, Rob Johnson, **Prashant Pandey**, and Rob Patro

### VariantStore: an index for large-scale genomic variant search

Genome Biology 2021

**Prashant Pandey**, Yinjie Gao, Carl Kingsford

### \*External-Memory Dictionaries in the Affine and PDAM Models

TOPC 2021

Michael A. Bender, Alex Conway, Martin Farach-Colton, William Jannen, Yizheng Jiao, Rob Johnson, Eric Knorr, Sara McAllister, Nirjhar Mukherjee, **Prashant Pandey**, Donald E. Porter, Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan

### Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory

TODS 2021

Shikha Singh, **Prashant Pandey**, Michael A. Bender, Jonathan W. Berry, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Thomas M. Kroeger, Cynthia A. Phillips

### An Efficient, Scalable, and Exact Representation of High-Dimensional Color Information Enabled

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Author names in alphabetical order. I am lead author.

## Using de Bruijn Graph Search

JCB 2020

Fatemeh Almodaresi, **Prashant Pandey**, Michael Ferdman, Rob Johnson, Rob Patro

## Locality Sensitive Hashing for the Edit Distance

BIOINFORMATICS 2019

Guillaume Marçais, Dan DeBlasio, **Prashant Pandey**, and Carl Kingsford

## Mantis: A Fast, Small, and Exact Large-Scale Sequence-Search Index

Cell Systems 2018

**Prashant Pandey**, Fatemeh Almodaresi, Michael A. Bender, Michael Ferdman, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro

## deBGR: An Efficient and Near-Exact Representation of the Weighted de Bruijn Graph

BIOINFORMATICS 2017

**Prashant Pandey**, Michael A. Bender, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro

## Squeakr: An Exact and Approximate k-mer Counting System

BIOINFORMATICS 2017

**Prashant Pandey**, Michael A. Bender, Rob Johnson, and Rob Patro

## Writes Wrought Right, and Other Adventures in File System Optimization

TOS 2016

Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan, William Jannen, **Prashant Pandey**, Amogh Akshintala, Kanchan Chandnani, Pooja Deo, Zardosht Kasheff, Michael Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Bradley C. Kuszmaul, and Donald E. Porter

## BetrFS: Write-Optimization in a Kernel File System

TOS 2015

William Jannen, Jun Yuan, Yang Zhan, Amogh Akshintala, John Esmet, Yizheng Jiao, Ankur Mittal, **Prashant Pandey**, Phaneendra Reddy, Leif Walsh, Michael A. Bender, Martin Farach-Colton, Rob Johnson, Bradley C. Kuszmaul, and Donald E. Porter

## PATENTS

### Instructions that Facilitate the Implementation of the Fork System Call in Processes using Software Guard Extensions

October 2018

<https://patents.google.com/patent/US10089447B2/en>

**Prashant Pandey**, Mona Vij, Somnath Chakrabarti, Krystof C. Zmudzinski

### Apparatus and Method For Implementing a Forked System Call in a System with a Protected Region

January 2018

<https://patents.google.com/patent/US9870467B2/en>

**Prashant Pandey**, Mona Vij, Somnath Chakrabarti, Krystof C. Zmudzinski

## PRESS ARTICLES ON RESEARCH

Our IcebergHT paper from SIGMOD 2023 featured in Quanta Magazine

February 2024

Link: <https://shorturl.at/dyAYZ>

A general purpose counting filter: making every bit count. The Morning Paper.

August 2017

Link: <https://goo.gl/nReGcF>

Scaling Computational Biology at VMware. (Link: <https://shorturl.at/lpLR6>)

April 2018

Finding a Needle in a Field of Haystacks. Cell Systems publishes research on Mantis

July 2018

Link: <https://goo.gl/LJopwR>

## INVITED TALKS

### Adaptive Quotient Filters

July 2024

*Theoretical Foundations of Nonvolatile Memory, Shonan Japan*

### Designing High-Performance In-Memory Indexes

February 2024

*Northwest Database Society Annual Meeting, Google Kirkland*

### Designing High-Performance In-Memory Indexes

October 2023

*Database Seminar Series, Georgia Tech*

### IcebergHT: High Performance Hash Tables Through Stability and Low Associativity

February 2023

*"From Big Data Theory to Big Data Practice", Dagstuhl, Germany*

<b>High-Performance and Feature Rich GPU Filters For Exascale Computing</b> <i>"Joint PNNL-Utah Weekly HPC Seminar"</i>	September 2022
<b>Scalability Challenges in Large-Scale Sequence Search</b> <i>"Utah Center of Data Science (UCDS) Seminar Series"</i>	September 2022
<b>Vector Quotient Filters: Overcoming the Time/Space Trade-Off in Filter Design</b> <i>"Applied and Computational Discrete Algorithms (ACDA)", Aussois, France</i>	September 2022
<b>Time to Change Your Filter</b> <i>Boston University</i>	February 2022
<b>Locality Sensitive Hashing for the Edit Distance</b> <i>Northeastern University</i>	February 2021
<b>MetaGNN: Binning Metagenomic Contigs using GNN and Taxonomic Labelling</b> <i>"Workshop on DL for (Meta)Genomic Sequence Data", Lawrence Berkeley National Lab</i>	July 2020
<b>Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory</b> <i>University of Maryland, College Park, MD</i>	October 2019
<b>Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory</b> <i>IT University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark</i>	September 2019
<b>Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory</b> <i>"Theoretical Foundations of Storage Systems", Dagstuhl, Germany</i>	March 2019
<b>Scheduling Problems in Write-Optimized Key-Value Stores</b> <i>"New Challenges in Scheduling Theory", Aussois, France</i>	March 2018
<b>Compact Representation of Annotated de Bruijn Graphs</b> <i>Berkeley Lab, Berkeley CA</i>	January 2018
<b>deBGR: An Efficient Representation of the Weighted de Bruijn Graph</b> <i>Google Research, NY VMware Research, Palo Alto CA</i>	September 2017
<b>Intel Software Guard Extensions (SGX)</b> <i>Sandia National Laboratories, Livermore CA</i>	August 2015

#### CONFERENCE TALKS

<b>IcebergHT: High Performance Hash Tables Through Stability and Low Associativity</b> <i>Seattle, USA</i>	SIGMOD 2023
<b>Terrace: A Hierarchical Graph Container for Skewed Dynamic Graphs</b> <i>Xi'an, China</i>	SIGMOD 2021
<b>Vector Quotient Filters: Overcoming the Time/Space Trade-Off in Filter Design</b> <i>Xi'an, China</i>	SIGMOD 2021
<b>VariantStore: A Space-Efficient and Fast Variant Search Index</b> <i>Virtual conference</i>	ISMB 2020
<b>Timely Reporting of Heavy Hitters using External Memory</b> <i>Portland, OR</i>	SIGMOD 2020
<b>Small Refinements to the DAM Can Have Big Consequences for Data-Structure Design</b> <i>Phoenix, AZ</i>	SPAA 2019
<b>Buffered Count-Min Sketch on SSD: Theory and Experiments</b> <i>Helsinki, Finland</i>	ESA 2018

**Mantis: A Fast, Small, and Exact Large-Scale Sequence-Search Index**  
*Paris, France*

RECOMB 2018

**deBGR: An Efficient Representation of the Weighted de Bruijn Graph**  
*Prague, Czech Republic*

ISMB 2017

**A General-Purpose Counting Filter: Making Every Bit Count**  
*Chicago, IL*

SIGMOD 2017

#### STUDENTS

- **Advising**
  - Hunter McCoy Ph.D. CS Started Fall 2022
  - Yuvraj Chasetti Ph.D. CS Started Fall 2022
  - Aaditya Rangarajan MS CS (Independent Study) Started Spring 2024
  - Ang Li MS CS (Independent Study) Started Spring 2024
  - Benwei Shi Ph.D. CS (Co-advise with Prof. Jeff) Spring 2023 – Fall 2023
  - Jinghua Yan Ph.D. CS (Co-advise with Prof. Saday) Started Fall 2023
  - Susmitha Raja MS CS (Research Assistant) Fall 2022 – Summer 2023
  - Medha Kalkur MS CS (Research Assistant) Fall 2022 – Summer 2023
  - Manoj Marneni MS CS (Research Assistant) Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
  - Pranjal Patil MS CS (Independent Study) Spring 2023
  - Alex Tokita BS CS (UROP Scholar) Fall 2022
- **Committee Member**
  - Ankit Bhardwaj Ph.D. CS
  - Sayef Azad Sakin Ph.D. CS
  - Mahesh Lakshminarasimhan Ph.D. CS
  - AnanthKrishna Prasad Ph.D. CS
  - Amit Samanta Ph.D. CS
  - LeAnn Lindsey Ph.D. CS
  - Chris Harker Ph.D. CS
  - Todd Thornley M.S CS

#### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- **Workshop Organiser:**
  - Workshop on Filter Data Structures SPAA (FCRC 2023) 2023
- **Program Committee:**
  - SIGMOD, VLDB, EDBT, ICDE, PPOPP 2025
  - SIGMOD, VLDB, PPOPP, IPDPS, IEEE BigData 2024
  - VLDB, SIGMOD ARC, SPAA, IPDPS, ESA, IEEE BigData 2023
  - IEEE BigData, ACM BCB, APOCS, IPDPS 2022
  - ACDA, RECOMB-Seq, IPDPS, ALLENEX 2021
  - EURO-PAR, RECOMB-Seq 2020
  - ESA 2019
- **Journals:**
  - Transactions on Parallel and Distributed Systems (TPDS) 2020
  - Transactions on Databases (TODS) 2018
  - Journal of Experimental Algorithms (JEA) 2019
  - IEEE Access 2019, 2021
  - Oxford BIOINFORMATICS 2018, 2019, 2020
  - Journal of Computational Biology (JCB) 2021, 2022, 2023
  - Transactions on Knowledge and Data Engineering (TKDE) 2021, 2022
- **Subreviewer:**
  - SODA 2024
  - SC, SODA 2024
  - FAST 2022
  - ISMB, STACS 2021
  - RECOMB 2020
  - WABI, CIAC 2019
- **Session chair:** ALLENEX 2021
- **Judge:** Poster session RECOMB 2019

#### DEPARTMENT SERVICE

- **Director:** Data Science Graduate Certificate Program Spring 2023 –
- **Organizer:** Utah Center for Data Science Lecture Series  
<https://datascience.utah.edu/seminar.html> Fall 2023 –
- **Organiser:** KSoC Annual Sports Event  
<https://users.cs.utah.edu/~pandey/ksocsportsevent/2023/> Spring 2023 –
- **Graduate Admissions Committee** 2023, 2024
- **Organizer KSoC Colloquium Series** Fall 2022 –

#### TEACHING

##### **Assistant Professor, School of Computing, University of Utah**

- CS 6530: Adv. Database Systems Fall 2023
- CS 6968/5968: Data Str & Alg for Scalable Comp Spring 2023
- CS 6530: Adv. Database Systems Fall 2022

#### TA EXPERIENCE

##### **Teaching Assistant, CS Dept, Stony Brook University**

- CSE 548: Analysis of Algorithms Fall 2015
- CSE 535: Asynchronous Systems Fall 2015
- CSE 110: Introduction to Computer Science (Advanced Java) Spring 2014, Fall 2023