

# Ankur Sharma

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## EDUCATION

### SAARLAND UNIVERSITY

#### PH.D. STUDENT

Oct 2014 - now  
Big Data Analytics Group  
Saarbruecken, Germany

### TU DRESDEN

#### VISITING STUDENT, ZIH

May 2013 - Sept 2014  
Dresden, Germany

### NIT SIKKIM

#### B.TECH. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Aug 2010 - Sept 2014  
Ravangala (Sikkim), India  
Cum. GPA: 9.15/10.00  
Institute/Department Gold Medals

## LINKS

Github:// [sh-ankur](#)  
LinkedIn:// [ankursh92](#)

## GRADUATE

Distributed Systems  
Operating Systems  
Database Systems  
Compiler Construction  
Optimization

## UNDERGRADUATE

Mobile Computing  
Internet & Web Apps  
Compiler/Interpreter  
Data Structure & Algorithms

## SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

5000 lines:  
C++ • GO • Java • Python  
1000 lines:  
C • BASH • Javascript  
Familiar:  
GIT • SVN • SQL • Spark • Flink

## AWARDS

2014 • Graduate Fellowship  
2014 • Undergraduate Gold Medals  
2013 • DAAD WISE Fellowship  
2012 • IITB Research Fellowship

## PROJECTS

### CHAINIFYDB TRANSFORM DB INTO A BLOCKCHAIN SYSTEM

Jan 2019 – Present | Under Submission at VLDB'2020  
We are developing a platform that is capable of transforming an existing Database Infrastructure in a B2B setup into a Blockchain Infrastructure. The goal of this project is to make the blockchain technology much more accessible, without actually adding an all-new blockchain system into the technology stack.

### FABRIC++ OPTIMIZING PERMISSIONED-BLOCKCHAIN SYSTEMS

Jan 2018 – Oct 2018 | Published at SIGMOD'2019  
We integrated MVCC and TransactionReordering in Hyperledger Fabric, which improved transaction throughput by more than 12x for the highly contended workload.

### ANKERDB HYBRID OLTP/OLAP PROCESSING

Apr 2016 – Dec 2017 | Published at PVLDB'2016 and SIGMOD'2018  
We implemented an efficient mechanism (user-level and inside the Linux) to snapshot the virtual memory area, which is used to extend MVCC to support efficient analytical/transactional workload in main-memory database systems.

## PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Ankur Sharma, Felix Martin Schuhknecht, Divya Agrawal, and Jens Dittrich. Blurring the lines between blockchains and database systems: the case of hyperledger fabric. In SIGMOD Conference 2019, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, June 30 - July 5, 2019., pages 105–122, 2019.
- [2] Ankur Sharma, Felix Martin Schuhknecht, and Jens Dittrich. Accelerating analytical processing in MVCC using fine-granular high-frequency virtual snapshotting. In SIGMOD Conference 2018, Houston, TX, USA, June 10-15, 2018, pages 245–258, 2018.
- [3] Felix Martin Schuhknecht, Jens Dittrich, and Ankur Sharma. RUMA has it: Rewired user-space memory access is possible! PVLDB, 9(10):768–779, 2016.
- [4] Ankur Sharma, Felix Martin Schuhknecht, and Jens Dittrich. The case for automatic database administration using deep reinforcement learning. CoRR, abs/1801.05643, 2018.

## EXPERIENCE

### SAARLAND UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ASSISTANT

April 2016 - Present | Saarbruecken, Germany  
Developing technology for efficient transaction processing and memory management in Database Systems and Permissioned Blockchain Systems.

### TU DRESDEN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

May 2013 - Sep 2014 | Dresden, Germany  
Developed methods for performance analysis and optimization of HPC applications.

### IIT BOMBAY UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH INTERN

May 2012 - Jul 2012 | Mumbai, India  
Developed lightweight java-based XML parser for in-house Android applications used at IIT Bombay.